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# **FORM 20-F**

OR 12(g) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
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ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003
OR
TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d)
OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
FOR THE TRANSITION PERIOD FROM
TO

Commission file number 0-21392

# AMARIN CORPORATION PLC

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

#### **England**

(Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

7 Curzon Street London W1J 5HG England

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

SECURITIES REGISTERED OR TO BE REGISTERED PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) OF THE ACT:

Name of Each Exchange On Which Registered

Title of Each Class

None None

## SECURITIES REGISTERED OR TO BE REGISTERED PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(g) OF THE ACT:

American Depositary Shares, each representing one Ordinary Share Ordinary Shares, £1.00 par value per share

(Title of Class)

#### SECURITIES FOR WHICH THERE IS A REPORTING OBLIGATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 15(d) OF THE ACT: None.

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

#### 17,939,786 Ordinary Shares, £1.00 par value per share

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant: (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

YES ý NO o

Indicate by check mark which financial statement item the registrant has elected to follow.

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#### INTRODUCTION

This report comprises the annual report to shareholders of Amarin Corporation plc (NASDAQ: AMRN) and its annual report on Form 20-F in accordance with the requirements of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, or SEC, for the year ended December 31, 2003.

As used in this annual report, unless the context otherwise indicates, the terms Company, Amarin, we, us and our refer to Amarin Corporation plc and its wholly owned subsidiary companies. Additionally, Amarin Pharmaceuticals, Inc., our former US subsidiary may be referred to in this annual report as API, and Amarin Development (Sweden) AB, our former Swedish subsidiary may be referred to in this annual report as Amarin AB. Elan Corporation plc or its affiliates, a related party, may be referred to in this annual report as Elan.

Also, as used in this annual report, unless the context otherwise indicates, the term Ordinary Shares refers to our Ordinary Shares, par value £1.00 per share, and the term Preference Shares refers to our 3% cumulative convertible preference shares, par value £1.00 per share. Unless otherwise specified, all shares and share related information (such as per share information and share price information) in this annual report have been adjusted to give effect, retroactively, to our ten-for-one Ordinary Share consolidation effective on July 17, 2002 whereby ten ordinary shares of 10p each became one Ordinary Share of £1.00 each.

In this annual report, references to pounds sterling or £ are to UK currency and references to US dollars, \$ or US\$ are to US currency.

This annual report contains trademarks, tradenames or registered marks of us and other entities, including:

Phrenilin (R), Bontril (TM) and Motofen (R), which were registered in or used by us or our former affiliates;

Permax (R), which during the fiscal year covered by this report was registered in Eli Lilly and Company or its affiliates, which we may refer to in this annual report as Lilly;

Zelapar(TM), which is registered in Elan; and

 $Moraxen(TM), which is registered in CeNeS \ Limited or its affiliates which we may refer to in this annual report as \ CeNeS \ .$ 

### CAUTIONARY NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This annual report includes forward-looking statements. Additionally, we may make forward-looking statements in future filings with the SEC and in written material, press releases and oral statements issued by or on behalf of us. All statements other than statements of historical facts included in this annual report, including statements regarding our intent, belief or current expectations or those of our management regarding various matters, or statements that include forward-looking terminology such as may, will, should, believes, expects, anticipates, estimates assumes, continues, or similar expressions, are forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements relate, among other things, to our future capital needs, our ability to further acquire marketable products, acceptance of our products by regulatory and governmental bodies, prescribers and end-users, competitive factors and our marketing and sales plans.

Forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties, certain of which are beyond our control. Actual results could differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements as a result of various factors, including the factors described in Item 3 Key Information Risk Factors. Some, but not all, of these factors are:

the timing of our future capital needs and our ability to raise additional capital when needed;

reliance on the development of a single product;

our ability to compete with other pharmaceutical companies;

our ability to develop or acquire new products;

our ability to attract and retain key personnel; and

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implementation and enforcement of government regulations.
This list of factors is not exhaustive and other risks and uncertainties may cause actual results to differ materially from those in forward-looking statements.
All forward-looking statements in this annual report are based on information available to us as of the date of this annual report, reflect our current views with respect to future events and financial performance, speak only as of the date of this annual report and are not intended to giv any assurance as to future results. We expressly disclaim any obligation or undertaking to update or revise any forward-looking statements that may be made by us, or on our behalf, in this annual report or otherwise, whether as a result of new information, future events or other reasons. All subsequent written and oral forward-looking statements attributable to us or persons acting on our behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by the cautionary statements contained here and throughout this annual report. Because of these risks, uncertainties and assumptions, the forward-looking events and circumstances discussed in this annual report might not transpire and we caution investors not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements.
PART I
Item 1 Identity of Directors, Senior Management and Advisers
Not applicable.
Item 2 Offer Statistics and Expected Timetable
Not applicable.
Item 3 Key Information
A. Selected Financial Data
General

The following table presents selected historical consolidated financial data. The selected historical consolidated financial data as of December 31, 2001, 2002 and 2003 and for each of the three years ended December 31, 2001, 2002 and 2003 have been derived from our audited historical consolidated financial statements included within the consolidated financial statements beginning on page F-1 of this annual report, which have been audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, chartered accountants and registered auditors for the years ended December 31, 2002 and 2003 and by their predecessor firm, PricewaterhouseCoopers, for the year ended December 31, 2001. The selected historical consolidated financial data as of December 31, 2000 and for the year then ended has been derived from our audited historical financial statements which are not included in these financial statements. The selected historical consolidated financial data for the year ended December 31, 1999 has not been audited but has been presented in order to facilitate comparisons of data during the transition in 1999 from an August 31 fiscal year-end to a December 31 fiscal year-end.

Unless otherwise specified, all references in this annual report to fiscal year or year of Amarin refer to a twelve-month financial period ended December 31. We prepare our consolidated financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the UK, which we refer to as UK GAAP and which differs in certain significant aspects from generally accepted accounting principles in the US, which we refer to as US GAAP . These differences have a material effect on net income/(loss) and the composition of shareholders equity. A detailed analysis of these differences can be found in Note 40 to the consolidated financial statements beginning on page F-1 of this annual report. Note 40 to our consolidated financial statements also provides a reconciliation of our consolidated financial statements to US GAAP.

During 2002 our Ordinary Shares were consolidated on a ten-for-one basis. Concurrently, we amended the terms of our American Depositary Shares, or ADSs, to provide that each ADS would represent one Ordinary Share. Previously each ADS had represented ten ordinary shares of 10p each. The new conversion ratio has been reflected in all years in the weighted average share numbers shown in the consolidated statement of operations data below.

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#### **Selected Consolidated Financial Data**

# (In thousands, except for per share and other data)

## Years ended December 31

	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	
	(in thousands except per share data)					
Statement of Operations Data UK GAAP						
Royalties	110	122	96	113	107	
Total revenues from continuing operations	110	122	96	113	107	
Operating expenses from continuing operations Operating income/(loss) from continuing	(3,344)	(3,709)	(4,358)	(6,130)	(6,200)	
operations	(3,234)	(3,587)	(4,262)	(6,017)	(6,093)	
Income/(loss) from continuing operations	(3,234)	(3,587)	(4,262)	(6,017)	(6,093)	
Income/(loss) from discontinued operations	7,589	6,324	1,002	(31,030)	(13,131)	
Net income/(loss)	4,355	2,737	(5,264)	(37,047)	(19,224)	
Income/(loss) from continuing operations per	,	,	(-, -,	(= 1,   1,	( - , ,	
Ordinary Share (basic)	(2.15)	(0.91)	(0.60)	(0.65)	(0.36)	
Net income/(loss) per Ordinary Share (basic)	2.90	0.69	(0.74)	(3.98)	(1.12)	
Net income/(loss) per Ordinary Share (diluted)	2.48	0.32	(0.74)	(3.98)	(1.12)	
Amounts in accordance with US GAAP						
Operating income/(loss)	(7,122)	(1,498)	(3,230)	(28,571)	(25,841)	
Net income/(loss)	4,070	(4,840)	(5,444)	(31,014)	(28,436)	
Net income/(loss) per Ordinary Share (basic)	2.71	(1.22)	(0.76)	(3.34)	(1.66)	
Net income/(loss) per Ordinary Share (diluted)	2.32	(1.22)	(0.76)	(3.34)	(1.66)	
Weighted average shares (basic)	1,501	3,953	7,125	9,297	17,093	
Weighted average shares (diluted)	1,754	8,609	12,035	11,896	17,440	
Consolidated balance sheet data						
Amounts in accordance with UK GAAP						
Working capital	(7,956)	21,550	(13,400)	(19,306)	(39,125)	
Total assets	33,629	57,155	100,597	97,438	47,377	
Long term obligations	1,512	13,876	8,391	36,743		
Capital stock (ordinary shares)	3,060	10,970	12,354	15,838	29,088	
Total shareholders equity/(deficit)	12,137	33,560	32,797	(6,208)	(6,348)	
Amounts in accordance with US GAAP						
Amounts in accordance with 0.5 GAAT						
Working capital	(7,994)	19,992	(12,082)	(19,742)	(39,183)	
Total assets	33,788	42,777	85,688	91,755	43,173	
Long term obligations	1,519	9,645	6,559	39,388		
Capital stock (ordinary shares)	3,075	10,177	11,139	15,838	29,088	

Total shareholders equity/(deficit) 12,194 25,963 25,090 (8,724) (10,552)

#### **Exchange Rates**

We changed our functional currency on January 1, 2003 to US dollars to reflect the fact that the majority of our transactions, assets and liabilities are denominated in that currency. Consequently, all data provided in this annual report is in US dollars for 2003 and comparative information for prior years has been restated into US dollars. Under UK GAAP this restatement of all historical pound sterling amounts has been at an exchange rate of £1 to \$1.6099, being the mid point rate on December 31, 2002. Under US GAAP the historical pound sterling amounts have been restated using the weighted average rate for the income statement and applicable closing rate for the balance sheet, including in the table above.

As some assets, liabilities and transactions are still denominated in pounds sterling the rate of exchange between pounds sterling and the US dollar, which is is determined by supply and demand in the foreign exchange markets and affected by numerous factors, continues to impact our financial results. Fluctuations in the exchange rate between the US dollar and the pound sterling may affect any earnings or losses reported by us and the book value of our shareholders equity as expressed in US dollars and pounds sterling, and consequently may affect the market price for our ADSs.

The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated, the average of the noon buying rate on the last day of each month during the relevant period as announced by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York for pounds sterling expressed in US dollars per pound sterling:

Fiscal Period	Average Noon Buying Rate (US dollars/ pound sterling)
12 months ended December 31, 1999	1.6010
12 months ended December 31, 2000	1.5170
12 months ended December 31, 2001	1.4543
12 months ended December 31, 2002	1.5093
12 months ended December 31, 2003	1.6450

The following table sets forth, for each of the last six months, the high and low noon buying rate during each month as announced by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York for pounds sterling expressed in US dollars per pound sterling:

Month	<b>High Noon Buying Rate</b>	<b>Low Noon Buying Rate</b>
	(US dollars/ pound sterling)	(US dollars/ pound sterling)
September 2003	1.5732	1.6642
October 2003	1.6598	1.7025
November 2003	1.6693	1.7219
December 2003	1.7200	1.7842
January 2004	1.7902	1.8511
February 2004	1.8182	1.9045

The noon buying rate as of March 24, 2004 was 1.8351 US dollars per pound sterling.

## B. Capitalization And Indebtedness

Not applicable.

#### C. Reasons For The Offer And Use Of Proceeds

Not applicable.

#### D. Risk Factors

You should carefully consider the risks and the information about our business described below, together with all of the other information included in this annual report. You should not interpret the order in which these considerations are presented as an indication of their relative importance to you. The risks and uncertainties described below are not the only ones that we face. Additional risks and uncertainties not presently known to us or that we currently believe to be immaterial may also adversely affect our business. If any of the following risks and uncertainties develop into actual events, our business, financial condition and results of operations could be materially and adversely affected, and the trading price of our ADSs could decline.

We have a history of losses, and we may continue to generate losses in the foreseeable future.

We have not been profitable in any of the last three fiscal years. For the fiscal years ended December 31, 2001, 2002 and 2003, we reported losses of approximately \$5.3, \$ 37.0 and \$ 20.9 million respectively under UK GAAP. Unless and until FDA marketing approval is obtained for our in-licensed product, LAX-101, or we are otherwise able to acquire rights to products that have received regulatory approval or are at an advanced stage of development and can be readily commercialized, we may not be able to generate revenues in future periods and we may not be able to return to profitability.

In February 2004 we divested a majority of our assets, and we currently have limited operations, assets and financial resources. As a result, we currently have no marketable products or other source of revenues for the near-term future. We have marketing and distribution rights for the U.S. to a single development stage product, LAX-101 and intend to acquire rights to additional products, which we anticipate may either be in the development stage or approved products. However, there is no assurance that we will be successful in acquiring any marketable products, or that LAX-101 or any other development stage products we may acquire will be approved by the FDA or regulatory authorities in other countries on a timely basis or at all. To the extent we undertake development efforts in-house, our business will be capital intensive. Therefore, we may incur expenses without corresponding revenues at least until we are able to obtain regulatory approval and sell our future products in large quantities. This may result in net operating losses, which will increase continuously until we can generate an acceptable level of revenues, which we may not ever attain. Further, even if we do achieve operating revenues, there can be no assurance that such revenues will be sufficient to repay our obligations or to fund continuing operations. Therefore we cannot predict whether we will ever be able to achieve profitability.

The likelihood of success of our business plan must be considered in light of the problems, expenses, difficulties, complications and delays frequently encountered in connection with developing and expanding early stage businesses and the competitive environment in which we operate.

Our historical financial results do not form an accurate basis for assessing our current business.

As a consequence of the divestiture of a majority of our business and assets during 2003 and early 2004, our financial results for 2003 and prior periods do not form an accurate basis upon which investors should base an assessment of our business and prospects. Prior to such divestiture, our revenues were generated primarily from the sale of in-licensed marketable products, the out-licensing of our proprietary technologies, and research and development work performed on a contract basis. All of these lines of business have been sold, and our current focus is on development efforts for LAX-101 and targeting new products for potential acquisition. Accordingly, our historical financial results reflect a substantially different business from that currently being conducted.

We may have to issue equity in Amarin leading to shareholder dilution.

We are committed to issue equity to Laxdale Limited, which we may refer to in this annual report as Laxdale , upon the successful achievement of specified milestones for the LAX-101 development program. See Item 4 Information on the Company Business Overview Our Huntington s Disease Strategy LAX-101. We have also issued warrants to purchase 500,000 ordinary shares to Elan as part of our debt re-negotiation with Elan in February 2004. In pursuing our growth strategy it is probable that we will need to raise new finance and new equity or convertible equity or debt instruments may be issued to new or existing shareholders. The creation of new shares would lead to dilution of the current shareholder base.

If we cannot find additional capital resources, we will have difficulty in sustaining and growing our business.

We will need to raise additional capital to fund our long-term growth strategy of acquiring additional development stage and/or marketable products, recruiting clinical and regulatory personnel and growing our business. Depending on market conditions and our ability to ensure financial stability, we may not have access to additional capital on reasonable terms or at all. Any inability to obtain additional financing when needed would adversely affect our ability to sustain and to grow our business.

We will be dependent upon the success of a limited range of products.

We are currently reliant upon the success of a single product, LAX-101. If development efforts for this product are not successful, or if adequate demand for this product is not generated should FDA approval be obtained, our business will be materially and adversely affected. Although we intend to acquire additional products, even if we are successful in doing so the range of products we will be able to commercialize will in all likelihood be limited, given our financial resources. This may limit our ability to respond to adverse business conditions. If we are not successful in developing LAX-101 or any future product, or if there is not adequate demand for any such product or the market for such product develops less rapidly than we anticipate, we may not have the capability to shift our resources to the development of alternative products. As a result, the limited range of products we intend to develop could limit our revenues and profitability.

Our ability to generate revenues under our in-licensing agreements depends in part upon the financial condition of our licensors and the ability of our licensors to obtain regulatory approvals.

We have entered into a license agreement with Laxdale that gives us the US marketing and distribution rights to LAX-101, a new molecular entity that is under investigation to treat Huntington s disease. Laxdale is responsible for conducting, at its expense, all tests and clinical trials needed in order to meet regulatory requirements, for obtaining applicable regulatory approvals, and for prosecuting any patent applications with respect to this product. The costs of developing and obtaining regulatory approvals for pharmaceutical products can be substantial. On February 3, 2003, we announced our intention to work with Laxdale toward conducting an additional Phase III program to support a possible new drug application or NDA for LAX-101. This was determined after a meeting with the US Food and Drug Administration or FDA on January 29, 2003. The decision to conduct a further Phase III program is consistent with the approval process of new drug products for neurological diseases, and reflects the fact that statistical significance was not achieved in the entire study patient population in the first Phase III study. Our ability to commercialize this product is dependent upon the success of Laxdale s further development efforts. If Laxdale is unable to maintain the financial and operational capability to complete its development efforts, we may not ever be able to generate revenues from the licensed product. In the event that Laxdale is unable to fund the Phase III program for LAX-101, we could not fund such Phase III program from our existing financial resources. We are dependent upon Laxdale having the financial and personnel resources necessary to fulfill its obligations to complete the clinical development and pursuit of approval of an NDA, if clinical study results warrant, and on the success of such development efforts. There can be no assurances that Laxdale, a small, closely held private company, will have the resources necessary to fulfill these obligations or that development success will otherwise be achieved. In addition, the Chairman of Laxdale, Dr. David Horrobin, one of its founders, died in April 2003.

While we do not believe that Laxdale was wholly dependent on Dr. Horrobin for continued development progress of LAX-101, the impact of his death upon Laxdale remains uncertain at this time.

Our ability to derive any revenues under our licensing agreement with Laxdale for LAX-101 is subject to all of the risks associated with obtaining regulatory approvals, and as a licensee we have limited ability to control the outcome of the development process. Our licensors may not obtain regulatory approvals that are needed in order to market a new product, and the timing or scope of any approvals may prohibit or reduce our ability to commercialize a product successfully. For example, even if Laxdale obtains the necessary approvals for LAX-101, the approvals may take too long or the terms of the approvals may not have the scope or breadth needed for us to commercialize successfully products based on LAX-101.

Our future products may not be able to compete effectively against those of our competitors.

Competition in the pharmaceutical industry is intense and is expected to increase. To the extent we are able to acquire or develop marketable products in the future, such products will compete with a variety of other products within the US, possibly including established drugs and major brand names. Competitive factors, including generic competition, could force us to lower prices or could result in reduced sales. In addition, new products developed by others could emerge as competitors to our future products. Products based on new technologies or new drugs could render our products obsolete or uneconomical.

Our potential competitors both in the US and Europe may include large, well-established pharmaceutical companies, specialty pharmaceutical sales and marketing companies, and specialized drug delivery companies. In addition, we may compete with universities and other institutions involved in the development of technologies and products that may be competitive with ours. Many of our competitors will likely have greater resources than us, including financial, product development, marketing, personnel and other resources. Should a competitive product obtain marketing approval prior to LAX-101, this would significantly erode the projected revenue streams and anticipated first-to-market advantage for such product.

The success of our future products will also depend in large part on the willingness of physicians to prescribe these products to their patients. Our future products may compete against products that have achieved broad recognition and acceptance among medical professionals. In order to achieve an acceptable level of subscriptions for our future products, we must be able to meet the needs of both the medical community and end users with respect to cost, efficacy and other factors.

Our supply of future products could be dependent upon relationships with manufacturers and key suppliers.

We have no in-house manufacturing capacity and, to the extent we are successful in acquiring or developing marketable products in the future, we will be obliged to rely upon contract manufacturers to produce our products. We may not be able to enter into manufacturing arrangement on terms that are favourable to us. Moreover, if any future manufacturers should cease doing business with us or experience delays, shortages of supply or excessive demands on their capacity, we may not be able to obtain adequate quantities of product in a timely manner, or at all. Manufacturers are required to comply with current Good Manufacturing Practices regulations promulgated by the FDA. The failure by a future manufacturer to comply with these regulations could affect its ability to provide us with product. Any manufacturing problem or the loss of a contract manufacturer could be disruptive to our operations and result in lost sales.

Additionally, we may be reliant on third parties to supply the raw materials needed to manufacture our future products. Any reliance on suppliers may involve several risks, including a potential inability to obtain critical materials and reduced control over production costs, delivery schedules, reliability and quality. Any unanticipated disruption to future contract manufacture caused by problems at suppliers could delay shipment of products, increase our cost of goods sold and result in lost sales.

We may not be able to grow our business unless we can acquire and market new products.

We are pursuing a strategy of product acquisitions in order to generate growth. Although we intend to engage in proprietary research and development of new products, our capability to conduct these activities is limited. We must therefore rely on our ability to identify other companies that are willing to sell or license product lines to us. We will be competing for these products with other parties, many of whom have substantially greater financial, marketing and sales resources. Even if suitable products are available, depending on competitive conditions we may not be able to acquire rights to additional products on acceptable terms, or at all. Our inability to acquire additional products or successfully introduce new products could have a material adverse effect on our business. In addition, we may need to establish a sales and marketing force and incur additional expenses in anticipation of a new product introduction.

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Our strategy for growth includes potential acquisitions of new products for development and the introduction of these products to the market.
Since we currently operate with limited resources, the addition of such new products could require a significant expansion of our operations,
including the recruitment, hiring and training of additional personnel. In particular, we do not currently have personnel with a clinical or
regulatory background and we will need to recruit such personnel to ensure projects run smoothly. This could create a strain on our financial an
management resources. Our failure to recruit such personnel could have a material adverse effect on our business.

We may not be successful in developing or marketing future products if we cannot meet extensive regulatory requirements for quality, safety and efficacy promulgated by the FDA and other regulatory agencies.

Our strategy generally involves the development of products we may acquire from third parties. The success of these efforts is dependent in part upon the ability of the products to meet and to continue to meet regulatory requirements in the jurisdictions where we ultimately intend to sell such products. The development, manufacture and marketing of pharmaceutical products are subject to extensive regulation by governmental authorities in the US, the European Union, Japan and elsewhere. In the US, the FDA generally requires pre-clinical testing and clinical trials of each drug to establish its safety and efficacy and extensive pharmaceutical development to ensure its quality before its introduction into the market. Regulatory authorities in other jurisdictions impose similar requirements. The process of obtaining regulatory approvals is lengthy and expensive and the issuance of such approvals is uncertain. The commencement and rate of completion of clinical trials may be delayed by many factors, including:

the inability to ma	anufacture sufficient	quantities of qua	lified materials ur	nder current good	manufacturing practices
for use in clinical trial	is:				

slower than expected rates of patient recruitment;

the inability to observe patients adequately after treatment;

changes in regulatory requirements for clinical trials;

the lack of effectiveness during clinical trials;

The planned expansion of our business may strain our resources.

unforeseen safety issues;

delays, suspension, or termination of a trial due to the institutional review board responsible for overseeing the study at a particular study site; and

government or regulatory delays or clinical holds requiring suspension or termination of a trial.

Even if we obtain positive results from pre-clinical or clinical trials, we may not achieve the same success in future trials. Clinical trials may not demonstrate statistically sufficient safety and effectiveness to obtain the requisite regulatory approvals for product candidates. The failure of clinical trials to demonstrate safety and effectiveness for our desired indications could harm the development of that product candidate as well as other product candidates, and our business and results of operations would suffer.

Any approvals that are obtained may be limited in scope, or may be accompanied by burdensome post-approval study or other requirements. Even in circumstances where products are approved by a regulatory body for sale, the regulatory or legal requirements may change over time, or new safety or efficacy information may be identified concerning a product, which may lead to the withdrawal of a product from the market.

After approval, our products will be subject to extensive government regulation.

Once a product is approved, numerous post-approval requirements apply. Among other things, the holder of an approved NDA or other license is subject to periodic and other monitoring and reporting obligations of the FDA and other regulatory bodies, including obligations to monitor and report adverse events and instances of the failure of a product to meet the specifications in the approved application. Application holders must also submit advertising and other promotional material to regulatory authorities and report on ongoing clinical trials.

Advertising and promotional materials must comply with FDA rules in addition to other potentially applicable federal and local laws in the US and in other countries. In the US, the distribution of product samples to physicians must comply with the requirements of the US Prescription Drug Marketing Act. Manufacturing facilities remain subject to FDA inspection and must continue to adhere to the FDA s current good manufacturing practice requirements. Application holders must obtain FDA approval for product and manufacturing changes, depending on the nature of the change. Sales, marketing, and scientific/educational grant programs must comply with the US Medicare-Medicaid Anti-Fraud and Abuse Act, as amended, the US False Claims Act, as amended, and similar state laws. Pricing and rebate programs must comply with the US Medicaid rebate requirements of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990, as amended. If products are made available to authorized users of the US Federal Supply Schedule of the General Services Administration, additional laws and requirements apply. All of these activities are also potentially subject to US federal and state consumer protection and unfair competition laws. Similar requirements exist in all of these areas in other countries.

Depending on the circumstances, failure to meet these post-approval requirements can result in criminal prosecution, fines or other penalties, injunctions, recall or seizure of products, total or partial suspension of production, denial or withdrawal of pre-marketing product approvals, or refusal to allow us to enter into supply contracts, including government contracts. In addition, even if we comply with FDA and other requirements, new information regarding the safety or effectiveness of a product could lead the FDA to modify or withdraw a product approval.

Adverse regulatory action, whether pre- or post-approval, can potentially lead to product liability claims and increase our product liability exposure.

We may incur potential liabilities relating to discontinued operations or products.

Subsequent to the end of the 2003 fiscal year, we sold our US subsidiary, API, and certain assets to Valeant Pharmaceuticals International (Valeant). The asset purchase agreement for the transaction provides for a purchase price adjustment based on variations between a proforma balance sheet agreed between the parties and a closing date balance sheet to be prepared after the closing. Subsequent to the closing of the sale, one of API s wholesalers advised that it was holding approximately \$6 million of product inventory that it had not previously discovered. Valeant appear to be taking the position that the purchase price with respect to the sale should be reduced as a result of the discovery of such additional inventory. It is our view that the additional inventory should not impact the consideration payable to Amarin, whether as a result of a purchase price adjustment or otherwise. We cannot predict how this matter will be resolved. The Company intends to take all appropriate action to protect its interests in the event any claims should be asserted against it.

In connection with the sale of assets to Valeant and the sale of our Swedish subsidiary to Watson Pharmaceuticals, Inc., we provided a number of representations and warranties to Valeant and Watson regarding the respective businesses sold to them, and other matters, and we undertook to indemnify Valeant and Watson under certain circumstances for breaches of such representations and warranties. We are not aware of any circumstances which could reasonably be expected to give rise to an indemnification obligation under our agreements with either Valeant or Watson. However, we cannot predict whether matters may arise in the future which were not known to us and which, under the terms of the relevant agreements, could give rise to a claim against us.

We will be dependent on patents, proprietary rights and confidentiality.

Because of the significant time and expense involved in developing new products and obtaining regulatory approvals, it is very important to obtain patent and trade secret protection for new technologies, products and processes. Our ability to successfully implement our business plan will depend in large part on our ability to:

acquire patented or patentable products and technologies;
obtain and maintain patent protection for our acquired products;
preserve any trade secrets relating to our future products; and
operate without infringing the proprietary rights of third parties.
Although we intend to make reasonable efforts to protect any future intellectual property rights and to ensure that any proprietary technology we acquire does not infringe the rights of other parties, we will not be able to ascertain the existence of all potentially conflicting claims. Therefore, there is a risk that third parties may make claims of infringement against our future products or technologies. In addition, third parties may be able to obtain patents that prevent the sale of our future products or require us to obtain a license and pay significant fees or royalties in order to continue selling such products.
We may in the future discover the existence of products that infringe upon patents that we own or that have been licensed to us. Although we intend to protect our trade secrets and proprietary know-how through confidentiality agreements with our manufacturers, employees and consultants, we will not be able to prevent our competitors from breaching these agreements or independently developing or learning of our trade secrets.
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We anticipate that competitors may from time to time oppose our efforts to obtain patent protection for new technologies or to submit patented technologies for regulatory approvals. Competitors may seek to challenge patent applications or existing patents to delay the approval process, even if the challenge has little or no merit. Patent challenges are generally highly technical, time consuming and expensive to pursue. Were we to be subject to one or more patent challenges, that effort could consume substantial time and resources, with no assurances of success, even when holding an issued patent.

#### The loss of any key management or qualified personnel could disrupt our business.

We are highly dependent upon the efforts of our senior management. The loss of the services of one or more members of senior management could have a material adverse effect on us. As a small company with a streamlined management structure, the departure of any key person could have a significant impact and would be potentially disruptive to our business. Furthermore, because of the specialized nature of our business, we are highly dependent upon our ability to attract and retain qualified scientific, technical and key management personnel. There is intense competition for qualified personnel in the areas of our activities. In this environment we may not be able to continue to attract and retain the personnel necessary for the development of our business, particularly if we do not achieve profitability. The failure to recruit key scientific and technical personnel would be detrimental to our ability to implement our business plan.

We have entered into an employment agreement with our chief executive officer. The term of this agreement automatically renews on an annual basis, subject to each party s right to terminate upon six months notice. Our officers and key employees, other than our chief executive officer, are not employed for any specified period and are not restricted from seeking employment elsewhere, subject only to giving appropriate notice to us.

#### We are subject to continuing potential product liability.

Although we have disposed of the majority of our products, we remain subject to the potential risk of product liability claims relating to the manufacturing and marketing of our former products during the period prior to their divestiture. Any person who is injured as a result of using one of our former products during our period of ownership may have a product liability claim against us without having to prove that we were at fault. The potential for liability exists despite the fact that our former subsidiary, Amarin Pharmaceuticals Inc. (API), conducted all sales and marketing activities with respect to such product. Although we have not retained any liabilities of API in this regard, as the one-time holder of ownership rights to such former products the Company could be subject to potential claims on a theory of strict liability. Since we distributed and sold our products to a wide number of end users, the risk of such claims could be material. Product liability claims could also be brought by persons who took part in clinical trials involving our former development stage products, including clinical trials of transdermal products and Zelapar carried out prior to the disposal of these products. A successful claim brought against us could have a material adverse effect on our business. We do not at present carry product liability insurance to cover any such risks and we are currently carrying out a risk analysis of the potential risks involved.

If we were to seek insurance coverage, we may not be able to maintain product liability coverage on acceptable terms if our claims experience results in high rates, or if product liability insurance otherwise becomes costlier or unavailable because of general economic, market or industry conditions. If we add significant products to our portfolio, we will require product liability coverage and may not be able to secure such coverage at reasonable rates or at all.

If we do not maintain compliance with Nasdaq continued listing requirements, our ADSs may be delisted from the Nasdaq National Market.

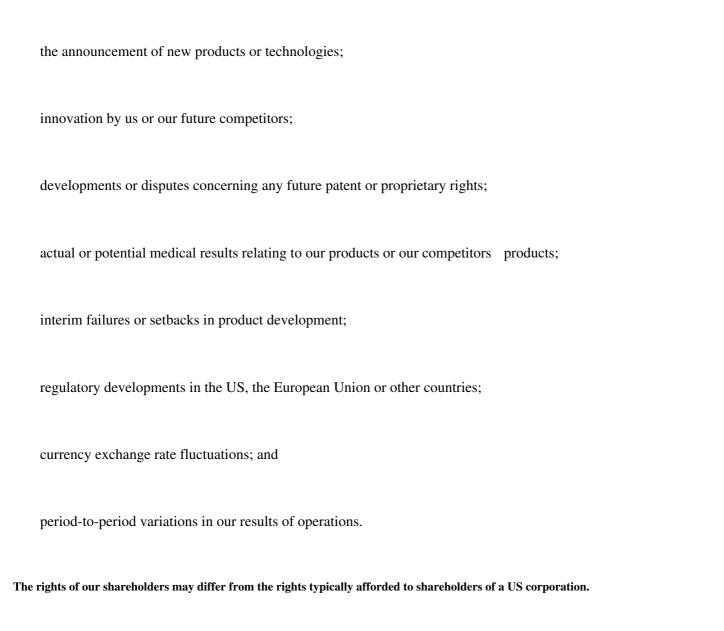
We have received a letter from the Nasdaq Stock Market Inc. indicating that Nasdaq are conducting a review of our eligibility for continued listing following the sale of assets to Valeant. In order for our common stock to continue to be quoted on the Nasdaq National Market, we have been asked to provide a plan for future operation and compliance with all continued listing requirements. At present we do not meet the requirement of maintaining stockholders—equity of at least \$10 million. We believe that our business plan provides a viable basis for achieving compliance. However, there is no assurance that Nasdaq will conclude that our plan adequately addresses their concerns. Moreover, even if we are successful in meeting the objective criteria for continued listing, Nasdaq has discretion to de-list securities based on public interest concerns. If our ordinary shares are de-listed from the Nasdaq National Market, we would seek to be listed either on the Nasdaq SmallCap Market or the Over-the Counter Bulletin Board. A delisting may negatively impact the value of our stock, since securities trading on the Nasdaq SmallCap Market or the over-the-counter markets are typically less liquid and trade with larger variations between the bid and ask price.

The price of our ADSs may be volatile.

The stock market has from time to time experienced significant price and volume fluctuations that may be unrelated to the

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operating performance of particular companies. In addition, the market prices of the securities of many pharmaceutical and medical technology companies have been especially volatile in the past, and this trend is expected to continue in the future. Our ADSs are also subject to volatility as a result of the relatively limited size of their trading market. With approximately 17.4 million ADSs outstanding, there is a risk that there may not be sufficient liquidity in the market to accommodate significant increases in selling activity or the sale of a large block of securities, either of which could result in price volatility. These factors increase the risk that the market price of our ADSs may be affected by factors such as:



We are incorporated under English law. The rights of holders of Ordinary Shares and, therefore, certain of the rights of holders of ADSs, are governed by English law, including the UK Companies Act 1985, as amended by the UK Companies Act 1989, and by our memorandum and articles of association. These rights differ in certain respects from the rights of shareholders in typical US corporations. See Item 10 Additional Information Memorandum and Articles of Association. The principal differences include the following:

Under English law, each shareholder present at a meeting has only one vote unless a valid demand is made for a vote on a poll, in which each holder gets one vote per share owned. Under US law, each shareholder typically is entitled to one vote per share at all meetings. Under English law, it is only on a poll that the number of shares determines the number of votes a holder may cast. You should be aware, however, that the voting rights of ADSs are also governed by the provisions of a deposit agreement with the depositary bank. See Item 10 Additional Information Memorandum and Articles of Association Description of Ordinary Shares Voting Rights.

Under English law, each shareholder generally has pre-emptive rights to subscribe on a proportionate basis to any issuance of shares. Under US law shareholders generally do not have pre-emptive rights unless specifically granted in the certificate of incorporation or otherwise. See Item 10 Additional Information Memorandum and Articles of Association Pre-emptive Rights.

Under English law, certain matters require the approval of 75% of the shareholders, including amendments to the memorandum and articles of association. This may make it more difficult for us to complete corporate transactions deemed advisable by the board of directors. Under US law, generally only majority shareholder approval is required to amend the certificate of incorporation or to approve other significant transactions. See Item 10 Additional Information Memorandum and Articles of Association Description of Ordinary Shares Voting Rights.

Under English law, shareholders may be required to disclose information regarding their equity interests upon our request, and the failure to provide the required information could result in the loss or restriction of rights attaching to the shares including prohibitions on the transfer of the shares as well as restrictions on dividends and other payments. Comparable provisions generally do not exist under US law. See Item 10 Additional Information Memorandum and Articles of Association Disclosure of Interests.

US shareholders may not be able to enforce civil liabilities against us.

A number of our directors and executive officers are non-residents of the US, and all or a substantial portion of the assets of such persons are located outside the US. As a result, it may not be possible for investors to effect service of process within the US upon such persons or to enforce against them judgments obtained in US courts predicated upon the civil liability provisions of the

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federal securities laws of the US. We have been advised by our English solicitors that there is doubt as to the enforceability in England in original actions, or in actions for enforcement of judgments of US courts, of civil liabilities to the extent predicated upon the federal securities laws of the US.

Foreign currency fluctuations may affect our future financial results or cause us to incur losses.

We record our transactions and prepare our financial statements in US dollars. See Item 3A- Selected Financial Data-General-Exchange Rates . Since our future strategy involves the development of products for the US market, we anticipate that the majority of our revenues and expenditures will be denominated in US dollars. However, certain of our costs are denominated in pounds sterling as a result of our having operations based in the United Kingdom. For purposes of preparing our financial statements, we translate pound sterling transactions and balances into US dollars. As a consequence, the results reported in our financial statements are potentially subject to the impact of currency fluctuations between the US dollar and pound sterling. We believe this risk is not currently material since we are focused on development activities and do not anticipate generating revenues in the short-term future. Accordingly, we do not engage in currency hedging activities in order to restrict the risk of exchange rate fluctuations. However, if we should commence commercializing any products in the US, changes in the relation of the US dollar to the pound sterling may affect our revenues and operating margins. In general, we could incur losses if the US dollar should become devalued relative to the pound sterling.

Holders of our Ordinary Shares or ADSs who are US residents may face adverse tax consequences.

There is a risk that we will be classified as a passive foreign investment company, or PFIC. Our treatment as a PFIC could result in a reduction in the after-tax return to the holders of our Ordinary Shares or ADSs and would likely cause a reduction in the value of such shares. For US federal income tax purposes, we will be classified as a PFIC for any taxable year in which (i) 75% or more of our gross income is passive income or (ii) at least 50% of the average value of all of our assets for the taxable year produce or are held for the production of passive income. For this purpose, passive income includes dividends, interest, royalties, rents, annuities and the excess of gains over losses from the disposition of assets which produce passive income. Because we will receive interest income and may receive royalties, there is a risk that we will be declared a PFIC under the income test described above. In addition, as a result of our cash position, there is a risk under the asset test described above that we will be declared a PFIC in the event the price of our Ordinary Shares declines substantially. If we were determined to be a PFIC for US federal income tax purposes, highly complex rules would apply to US Holders owning Ordinary Shares. Accordingly, you are urged to consult your tax advisors regarding the application of such rules. However, because the determination of whether we are a PFIC is based upon the composition of our income and assets from time to time, this determination cannot be made with certainty until the end of the calendar year.

US residents should carefully read Item 10 Additional Information Taxation Certain US Federal Income Tax Considerations for a more complete discussion of the US federal income tax risks related to owning and disposing of our Ordinary Shares or ADSs.

Item 4 Information on the Company

#### A. History and Development of the Company

Amarin Corporation plc (formerly Ethical Holdings plc) was incorporated in England as a private limited company on March 1, 1989 under the UK Companies Act 1985 and re-registered in England as a public limited company on March 19, 1993. Our registered office and our principal executive offices are located at 7 Curzon Street, London W1J 5HG, England, and our telephone number is +44-20-7499-9009.

We entered into license agreements in late 2000 and early 2001 which provided us with pipeline products that began our strategic focus in neurology and pain management. We signed our license agreement in November 2000 with Laxdale and acquired an exclusive license to the US marketing and distribution rights for LAX-101 in Huntington s disease and certain other niche neurodegenerative diseases.

On January 27, 2003 we completed a private placement of 6,093,728 Ordinary Shares raising gross proceeds of approximately \$21.2 million. The private placement was made primarily to accredited investors in the US. We entered into a registration rights agreement with these investors and Elan (as part of a pre-existing contractual obligation) under which we agreed to prepare and file (at our expense) a registration statement with the SEC covering the Ordinary Shares purchased in the private placement and 4,653,819 Ordinary Shares and ADSs held by Elan. A Form F-3 registration statement was filed with the SEC on behalf of the private placement investors and Elan, and became effective August 14, 2003. Pursuant to the registration rights agreement we included for registration warrants to acquire 313,234 Ordinary Shares to individuals designated by the placement agent that assisted us in the private placement. The warrants are exercisable at a price of US\$3.4785 per share between January 27, 2004 and January 26, 2008.

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An aggregate of 11,060,791 ordinary shares, including ordinary shares held as ADSs and shares issuable upon exercise of warrants issued in the offering, were registered under the registration statement filed in connection with the January 2003 private placement.

During 2003 our debt obligations, and in particular our short term debt obligations, to Elan led to our seeking a number of renegotiations, reductions and extensions of the Elan debt to provide us with sufficient time to realize assets in an orderly fashion to meet payments to Elan and to minimize the impact on shareholder value.

As part of the restructuring of certain of our obligations to Elan in January 2003, we undertook to use our commercial best efforts to sell all or substantially all of the Phrenilin, Bontril and Motofen lines of products together with certain other branded generic drugs (collectively, the primary care portfolio ) and/or Amarin Development AB, our Swedish research and development subsidiary, for upfront cash consideration for a reasonable sum and as expeditiously as reasonably practicable, and to apply the proceeds, if any, from these asset disposals to reduce our payment obligations to Elan, with any remaining proceeds used to fund our core business.

In August 2003, we agreed with Elan as part of a comprehensive settlement of our debt obligations to Elan:

to pay \$30 million in cash no later than December 31, 2003;

to pay \$10 million in equity when Zelapar annual sales reach \$20 million;

to continue to pay a 12.5% royalty on future sales of Zelapar.

In consideration for the foregoing, Elan agreed to:

a moratorium on debt and interest payments until December 31, 2003;

full and final settlement of all debt and deferred payments due to Elan (the then-current amount of which was \$46.5 million); and

elimination of existing option and milestone payments relating to Zelapar.

In October 2003 we sold Gacell Holdings AB, the Swedish holding company of Amarin Development AB (ADAB), our Swedish drug development subsidiary, to Watson Pharmaceuticals, Inc. Under the terms of the sale agreement Watson agreed to pay us approximately \$15 million in cash for the purchase of the stock of ADAB and to settle inter-company debts owed by ADAB to Amarin. Of the \$15 million purchase price, \$1.5 million was placed into an escrow account to be released in stages, with one-half payable upon the agreement of a completion balance sheet, one quarter payable six months from the date of closing and the balance on the first anniversary of the date of closing, subject to any claims being made by Watson against us in respect of any breach of warranty or representation. We applied ninety percent of the net sale proceeds of ADAB toward repayment of part of our financial obligations to Elan. At this we had reached an agreement in-principle with Elan that, if a \$30 million minimum payment was not made by December 31st, 2003 the deadline for debt repayment would be extended to March 31st, 2004 in consideration of the payment to Elan of interest (calculated at 1% per month on the outstanding balance) and a one-off payment to Elan of \$1.5 million. We also retained the right to draw down from Elan a further \$2 million per month for the first three months of 2004 in order to fund our operating deficit through the first quarter of 2004. Draw down of these funds was subject to our demonstrating to Elan s satisfaction that we had a reasonable prospect of consummating a transaction to settle the Elan debt by March 31st, 2004.

In February 2004 we sold our U.S.-based subsidiary, Amarin Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and a majority of our U.S. products for a purchase price of approximately \$46 million, including \$8 million in milestone payments, to Valeant Pharmaceuticals International ( Valeant ). In addition, Valeant assumed certain other outstanding liabilities, including Amarin s obligation to make a milestone payment to Elan of \$10 million, if sales of Zelapar reach a certain level. Under the terms of the transaction, Valeant made an initial payment of \$38 million to us for our interest in Amarin Pharmaceuticals Inc. along with the rights to Amarin s product portfolio, which included Permax®, a product indicated for the adjunct treatment of Parkinson s disease; a primary care product portfolio with a broad range of indications and Zelapar , an in-licensed, late-stage development product for the adjunct treatment of Parkinson s disease, which has received an approvable letter from the Food & Drug Administration (FDA). The agreement calls for Valeant to make a milestone payment to the Company of \$3 million following the successful completion of the previously announced Zelapar clinical safety studies, and a further milestone of \$5 million upon final approval of the Zelapar NDA by the FDA. We retained responsibility for certain activities during a transition period post closing of the transaction, including the supervision of the Zelapar clinical safety studies and inventory management among other obligations. We are also responsible for funding costs and liabilities relating to these activities totalling \$13 million at closing, rising by a further \$0.4 million if the Zelapar safety studies are successful. The purchase price under the agreement with Valeant is subject to adjustment to the extent there is any variation between the balance sheet of Amarin Pharmaceuticals Inc. as of the closing date and a pro-forma balance sheet of such company that was prepared and agreed by the parties prior to closing.

Simultaneously with the sale to Valeant we reached a full and final agreement with Elan regarding the settlement of our renegotiated outstanding financial obligations. Under the terms of this agreement with Elan the amount (\$24.4 million) then required to discharge our obligations to Elan was amended so that we would pay Elan approximately \$17.2 million in cash on closing of the Valeant transaction, plus a further payment of \$1 million on the successful completion of the Zelapar safety trials to discharge these obligations.

We also agreed to issue a \$5 million 5-year loan note to Elan with capital repayment as follows:

- \$1.5 million in January 2006
- \$1.5 million in July 2007
- \$2 million in January 2009

At Elan s option, the loan note can be repaid from proceeds Amarin receives from a \$5 million milestone payable by Valeant Pharmaceuticals International on the NDA approval of Zelapar. The loan note is also prepayable by us at any time, subject to a prepayment fee of \$250,000, and carries an interest rate of 8% per annum.

Additionally we agreed to issue 500,000 warrants to Elan priced at the average market closing price for our Ordinary Shares for the 30-day period prior to closing. As a result, Elan s fully diluted ownership in Amarin increased from 25.9% to 28.0%.

We closed the Valeant transaction on February 25, 2004. From the proceeds of this sale we made a payment to Elan of approximately \$17.2 million in partial payment of outstanding indebtness and entered into the various agreements and instruments set out above.

As a result of the asset sale to Valeant, we realized net proceeds of approximately \$6 million after accounting for financial obligations to Valeant in connection with the sale transaction, payments to Elan in connection with the debt settlement, and professional fees and other third party costs relating to the transaction.

As a result of our various renegotiations with Elan in 2003 and 2004 we have paid \$50.8 million to Elan and have had the benefit of a restructuring of approximately \$66.2 million in debt, deferred consideration obligations and contingent milestone payments which would otherwise have potentially have been payable. The following table sets out the movement in our debt, deferred consideration and milestone obligations to Elan at the commencement of the year and as at 26<sup>th</sup> February 2004:

	Total Debt	Deferred Consideration	Total Milestones	Total
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
January 1st 03:	49.0	27.5	52.5	129.0

#### **Entire period:**

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Paid	(34.7)	(16.1)		(50.8)
Received	4.0			4.0
Restructured	(13.3)	(11.4)	(41.5)	(66.2)
Assigned obligation			(10.0)	(10.0)
February 26 <sup>th</sup> 2004	5.0		1.0	6.0

Our principal capital expenditures during the last three fiscal years consisted of the purchase of distribution rights to Permax from Elan for \$47.5 million in 2001, and the acquisition of additional rights to Permax from Elan in consideration of \$10 million in 2002 and \$16.1 million in 2003. We do not currently have any capital expenditures in progress.

#### B. Business Overview

#### General

Amarin Corporation is now an emerging drug development company focused on the clinical development, regulatory approval & ultimate commercialization of neuroscience drugs. We intend to develop drugs to treat the symptoms of Huntington s and other niche neurological diseases.

Our strategy is to acquire, in-license and develop drug candidates which address major unmet medical needs which can be rapidly commercialized. Our management team will oversee the clinical trials necessary to progress compounds through the development and regulatory approval process. In certain circumstances, we will seek partnerships with pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies for late stage development and marketing of our product candidates. We currently have one product candidatewhich is in Phase III human clinical testing. This candidate, LAX-101 is described below.

Our Huntington s Disease Strategy

LAX-101 (ethyl-eicosapentaenoate)

In November 2000, we entered into a license agreement giving us the exclusive US rights to market and distribute LAX-101 within a defined field of use including Huntington s disease and other niche neurological conditions. LAX-101 is a novel and proprietary treatment under investigation for Huntington s disease, a progressive, fatal neurodegenerative disease for which there is currently no approved treatment in the US. Laxdale is responsible for obtaining all regulatory approvals required for the use of this product in the US, and has agreed to source all raw materials needed for the manufacture of finished product. We also have a right of first negotiation with Laxdale for the development of LAX-101 in the US outside the defined field of use. Upon the commercialization of LAX-101, we must meet and maintain specified levels of US product sales in order to retain our exclusive rights. The license fees to Laxdale consist of both up-front and contingent payments of cash and our Ordinary Shares. We acquired our rights for a cash payment of US\$1 million and the issuance of 650,797 Ordinary Shares representing 5% of our fully diluted issued share capital at that time. We are obligated to issue additional Ordinary Shares and make royalty payments on future sales of LAX-101, subject to the achievement of milestones specified in the license agreement.

We announced positive results for two separate Phase II studies for LAX-101 that were published in the January 21, 2002 issue of NeuroReport, a peer-reviewed neurology journal. Following the positive results in these two separate Phase II studies, Laxdale began a Phase III double-blind placebo-controlled study in 2001 and patient treatment was completed in July 2002. On October 28, 2002 we announced encouraging preliminary results of that Phase III study. On February 3, 2003 we announced our intention to work with Laxdale toward conducting an additional Phase III program to support an NDA for LAX-101. This decision was made following a meeting with the FDA on January 29, 2003. The decision to conduct a further Phase III program is consistent with the approval process of new drug products for neurological diseases, and reflects the fact that statistical significance was not achieved in the entire study patient population in the first Phase III study. We were encouraged by the results of our previously announced Phase III trial and look forward to working with Laxdale to finalize the protocol with the FDA for our further Phase III program. We are dependent upon Laxdale having the financial and personnel resources necessary to fulfill its

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obligations to complete the clinical development and pursuit of approval of an NDA, if clinical study results warrant, and on the success of such development efforts. There can be no assurances that Laxdale, a small, closely held private company, will have the resources necessary to fulfill these obligations or that development success will otherwise be achieved. In addition, the Chairman of Laxdale, Dr. David Horrobin, one of Laxdale s founders, passed away in April 2003. While we do not believe that Laxdale was wholly dependent on Dr. Horrobin for continued development progress of LAX-101, the impact of his death upon Laxdale remains uncertain at this time.

LAX-101 has been granted fast track designation by the FDA and has received orphan drug designation in the US and Europe. Fast track drugs are potentially eligible for expedited review. Orphan drugs are those that treat rare diseases or conditions, and in the US are eligible to receive special exclusivity and certain tax credits. However, orphan drug exclusivity does not bar competitors from developing other active molecules. In addition, the same molecule can be separately developed and approved within such special exclusivity period for the same indication if shown to be clinically superior or under other circumstances. Orphan drug status does not confer patent rights upon the holder, nor does it provide an exemption from claims of infringement of patents which may be held by third parties. Laxdale is pursuing a patent strategy for LAX-101 which it believes will provide significant protection for the product.

There can, however, be no assurances that a competitive product will not be approved by the FDA, that any patents will be granted, or, if granted, that patents will ultimately be upheld if challenged. Fast track status generally represents the FDA s commitment to provide a six-month review period for a filed NDA, which is faster than the typical review period for most non-fast track drugs. Fast track status does not however guarantee a specific review time or a pre-determined outcome.

Internal projections for LAX-101 indicate significant market potential with 30,000 Huntington s patients currently without available treatment. We anticipate LAX-101 could be marketed in late 2006. According to external industry analysts' reports, at an anticipated cost per patient of \$7,500 per year, and a market share of just 25% of this 30,000 patient market, LAX-101 would be a \$56 million product at the retail level, and probably a \$40 million product for Amarin. Internal estimates are even higher, because of the lack of any alternative treatments for this severe and fatal disease.

These external analysts concur with this point of view, commenting that since there presently is no effective treatment for this disease, the anticipated 25% penetration could prove conservative, and it is also possible that neurologists will prescribe LAX-101 prophylactically for people considered, for genetic reasons, to be at high risk of contracting this condition.

The Financial Year

Through the year ended December 31, 2003, we had commercial sales and marketing operations in the US through our API subsidiary and drug delivery and contract development activities through our Swedish subsidiary ADAB. On October 28, 2003 we sold ADAB to Watson Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and on February 25, 2004 we sold API, together with all rights to our marketed products and Zelapar.

Following the disposal of these businesses, we have rationalized our operations to position ourselves as a pharmaceutical development company focused on neurology with operations in the UK.

Our consolidated revenues in 2003 were derived from four principal sources. For the year ended December 31, 2003, sales of our products through our own sales and marketing operations accounted for approximately 36% of total revenues; licensing and development fees accounted for approximately 24% of total revenues; contract manufacturing fees accounted for approximately 20% of total revenues; and royalties on third party product sales accounted for approximately 20% of total revenues. Although some of the products marketed in the US showed seasonal market trends, our consolidated group did not experience any material revenue seasonality.

Broken down by geographic markets, for the year ended December 31, 2003 approximately 36% of total consolidated revenues were generated in the US, representing sales of our pharmaceutical products; approximately 1% of total consolidated revenues were generated in the UK, representing our royalty income; and approximately 63% of total consolidated revenues were generated in the European market, representing our drug delivery and contract manufacture business.

#### Competition

In pursuing our strategy of acquiring marketable and/or development stage neurology products, we expect to compete with other pharmaceutical companies for product and product line acquisitions, and more broadly for the distribution and marketing of pharmaceutical and consumer products. These anticipated competitors include companies which may also seek to acquire branded or development stage pharmaceutical products and product lines from other pharmaceutical companies. Most of our potential competitors will likely possess substantially greater financial, technical, marketing and other resources. In addition, we will compete for supplier manufacturing capacity with other companies, including those whose products are competitive with ours. Additionally, our future products may be subject to competition from products with similar qualities. See Item 3 Key Information Risk Factors Our future products may not be able to compete effectively against those of our competitors.

#### **Government Regulation**

Any product development activities relative to LAX-101 or products that we may acquire in the future will be subject to extensive regulation by various government authorities, including the FDA and comparable regulatory authorities in other countries, which regulate the design, research, clinical and non-clinical development, testing, manufacturing, storage, distribution, import, export, labelling, advertising and marketing of pharmaceutical products and devices. Generally, before a new drug can be sold, considerable data demonstrating its quality, safety and efficacy must be obtained, organized into a format specific to each regulatory authority and submitted for review. The data are generated in two distinct development stages: pre-clinical and clinical. For new chemical entities,

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the pre-clinical development stage generally involves synthesizing the active component, developing the formulation and determining the manufacturing process, as well as carrying out toxicology, pharmacology and drug metabolism studies which support subsequent clinical testing. Good laboratory practice requirements must be followed in order for the resulting data to be considered valid and reliable. For established molecules this stage can be limited to formulation and manufacturing process development and in vitro studies to support subsequent clinical evaluation.

The clinical stage of development can generally be divided into Phase I, Phase II and Phase III clinical trials. In Phase I, a small number of healthy human volunteers are initially exposed to a single dose and then multiple doses of the product candidate. The primary purpose of these studies is to assess the pharmacokinetic profile, tolerability and safety of the drug. Large volunteer studies are also undertaken to define the pharmacokinetic performance (the way in which the body deals with the compound from absorption, to distribution in tissues, to elimination) as an integral part of the pivotal regulatory program.

Phase II trials typically involve the first studies in disease-affected patients to determine the dose required to produce the desired benefits. At the same time, safety and further pharmacodynamic information is collected. Phase III trials generally involve large numbers of patients from a number of different sites, which may be in one country or in several different countries or continents. Such trials provide information on the safety as well as the efficacy of a new product and include comparisons with placebo and/or other comparator treatments. The duration of treatment is often extended to mimic the actual use of a product during marketing.

In order for human clinical studies of a new drug to commence in the United States, an investigational new drug application, or IND, is filed with the FDA. Similar notifications are required in other countries. The amount of data that must be supplied in the IND application depends on the phase of the study, earlier investigations such as Phase I studies requiring less data than the larger and longer-term studies in Phase III. A clinical plan must be submitted to the FDA prior to commencement of a clinical trial. In general, studies may begin in the US without specific approval by the FDA after a 30-day review period has passed. However, the FDA may prevent studies from moving forward, and may suspend or terminate studies once initiated. Regular reporting of progress is required in annual reports submitted during the clinical testing phase and any adverse effects reported to us must be notified to the authority. During the testing procedure, meetings can be held with the FDA to discuss progress and future requirements for the NDA. Studies are also subject to review by independent institutional review boards responsible for overseeing studies at particular sites and protecting human research study subjects. An independent institutional review board may prevent a study from beginning or suspend or terminate a study once initiated. Studies must also be conducted and monitored in accordance with good clinical practice and other requirements.

Following the completion of clinical trials, the data must be thoroughly analyzed to determine if the clinical trials successfully demonstrate safety and efficacy. If they do, an NDA is filed with the FDA along with proposed labelling for the product and information about the manufacturing processes and facilities that will be used to ensure product quality. In the US, FDA approval of an NDA must be obtained before marketing a developed product. The NDA must contain proof of safety, purity, potency and efficacy, which entails extensive pre-clinical and clinical testing.

Although the type of testing and studies required by the FDA do not differ significantly from those of other countries, the amount of detail required by the FDA can be more extensive. In addition, it is likely that the FDA will re-analyse the clinical data, which could result in extensive discussions between us and the licensing authority during the review process. The processing of applications by the FDA is extensive and time consuming and may take several years to complete. The FDA has committed generally to review and make a recommendation for approval of a new drug within ten months, and of a new priority drug within six months, although final FDA action on the NDA can take substantially longer and may involve review and recommendations by an independent FDA advisory committee. The FDA may conduct a pre-approval inspection of the manufacturing facilities for the new product to determine whether they comply with current good manufacturing practice requirements.

There is no assurance that the FDA will act favourably or quickly in making such reviews and significant difficulties or costs may be encountered by a company in its efforts to obtain FDA approvals. The FDA may also require post-marketing testing and surveillance to monitor the effects of approved products or it may place conditions on approvals that could restrict the commercial application of products. Product approvals may be withdrawn if compliance with regulatory standards is not maintained or if problems occur following initial marketing.

In the European Union, our future products may also be subject to extensive regulatory requirements. As in the US, the marketing of medicinal products has for many years been subject to the granting of marketing authorizations by regulatory agencies. Particular emphasis is also being placed on more sophisticated and faster procedures for reporting of adverse events to the competent authorities.

In common with the US, the various phases of pre-clinical and clinical research are subject to significant regulatory controls. Although the regulatory controls on clinical research are currently undergoing a harmonization process following the adoption of the Clinical Trials Directive 2001/20/EC, there are currently significant variations in the member state regimes. However, all member states currently require independent institutional review board approval of interventional clinical trials. With the exception of UK Phase 1 studies in healthy volunteers, all clinical trials require either prior governmental notification or approval. Most regulators also require the submission of adverse event reports during a study and a copy of the final study report.

In the European Union, approval of new medicinal products can be obtained only through one of two processes. The first such process is known as the mutual recognition procedure. An applicant submits an application in one European Union member state, known as the reference member state. Once the reference member state has granted the marketing authorization, the applicant may choose to submit applications in other concerned member states, requesting them to mutually recognize the marketing authorizations already granted. Under this mutual recognition process, authorities in other concerned member states have 55 days to raise objections, which must then be resolved by discussions among the concerned member states, the reference member state and the applicant within 90 days of the commencement of the mutual recognition procedure. If any disagreement remains, all considerations by authorities in the concerned member states are suspended and the disagreement is resolved through an arbitration process. The mutual recognition process results in separate national marketing authorizations in the reference member state and each concerned member state.

The second procedure in the European Union for obtaining approval of new medicinal products is known as the centralized procedure. This procedure is currently mandatory for products developed by means of a biotechnological process and optional for new active substances and other innovative medicinal products with novel characteristics. Under this procedure, an application is submitted to the European Agency for the Evaluation of Medical Products. Two European Union member states are appointed to conduct an initial evaluation of each application. These countries each prepare an assessment report, which reports are then used as the basis of a scientific opinion of the Committee on Proprietary Medical Products. If this opinion is favourable, it is sent to the European Commission which drafts a decision. After consulting with the member states, the European Commission adopts a decision and grants a marketing authorization, which is valid throughout the European Union and confers the same rights and obligations in each of the member states as a marketing authorization granted by that member state.

The European Union is currently expanding, with a number of Eastern European countries expected to join over the coming years. Several other European countries outside the European Union, particularly those intending to accede to the Union, accept European Union review and approval as a basis for their own national approval.

Following approval of a new product, a pharmaceutical company generally must engage in various monitoring activities and continue to submit periodic and other reports to the applicable regulatory agencies, including any cases of adverse events and appropriate quality control records. Modifications or enhancements to the products or labelling, or changes of site of manufacture are often subject to the approval of the FDA and other regulators, which may or may not be received or may result in a lengthy review process.

Drug advertising and promotion is subject to federal, state and foreign regulations. In the US, the FDA regulates all company and product promotion, including direct-to-consumer advertising. Promotional materials must be submitted to the FDA. Materials in violation may lead to an FDA enforcement action. Any distribution of pharmaceutical samples to physicians must comply with the US Prescription Drug Marketing Act, or the PDMA, a part of the US Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act.

In the US, once a product is approved its manufacture is subject to comprehensive and continuing regulation by the FDA. The FDA regulations require that products be manufactured in specific approved facilities and in accordance with current good manufacturing practices, and NDA holders must list their products and register their manufacturing establishments with the FDA. These regulations also impose certain

organizational, procedural and documentation requirements with respect to manufacturing and quality assurance activities. Contract manufacturers are subject to inspections at any time that could interrupt the manufacturing operation if any facilities are found to be operating in an unsatisfactory manner.

The distribution of pharmaceutical products is subject to additional requirements under the PDMA and equivalent laws and regulations in other jurisdictions. Under the PDMA and its implementing regulations, states are permitted to require registration of distributors who provide products within their state despite having no place of business within the state. The PDMA also imposes extensive record-keeping, licensing, storage and security requirements intended to prevent the unauthorized sale of pharmaceutical products and other drug diversions.

Manufacturing, sales, promotion, and other activities following product approval are also subject to regulation by numerous

regulatory authorities in addition to the FDA, including, in the US, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, other divisions of the Department of Health and Human Services, the Drug Enforcement Administration, the Consumer Product Safety Commission, the Federal Trade Commission, and state and local governments. Sales, marketing and scientific/educational programs must comply with the US Medicare-Medicaid Anti-Fraud and Abuse Act and similar state laws. Pricing and rebate programs must comply with the Medicaid rebate requirements of the US Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990. If products are made available to authorized users of the Federal Supply Schedule of the General Services Administration, additional laws and requirements apply. The handling of any controlled substances must comply with the US Controlled Substances Act. Products must meet applicable child-resistant packaging requirements under the US Poison Prevention Packaging Act. Manufacturing, sales, promotion and other activities are also potentially subject to federal and state consumer protection and unfair competition laws.

The failure to comply with regulatory requirements subjects firms to possible legal or regulatory action. Depending on the circumstances, failure to meet applicable regulatory requirements can result in criminal prosecution, fines or other penalties, injunctions, recall or seizure of products, total or partial suspension of production, denial or withdrawal of pre-marketing product approvals, or refusal to allow a firm to enter into supply contracts, including government contracts. In addition, even if a firm complies with FDA and other requirements, new information regarding the safety or effectiveness of a product could lead the FDA to modify or withdraw a product approval. Prohibitions or restrictions on sales or withdrawal of future products marketed by us could materially affect our business in an adverse way.

Changes in regulations or statutes or the interpretation of existing regulations could impact our business in the future by requiring, for example:
changes to our manufacturing arrangements;
additions or modifications to product labelling;
the recall or discontinuation of our products; or
additional record-keeping.
If any such changes were to be imposed, they could adversely affect the operation of our business.

Some of our future pharmaceutical products may be sold over-the-counter. Any such products would be subject to FDA regulations known as over-the-counter monographs, which specify conditions under which over-the-counter products may be sold without a separately approved NDA, including permitted active ingredients and labelling information. These monographs are subject to revision, and changes in these monographs could impact our marketing efforts with respect to any potential over-the-counter products, render our products unlawful for commercial sale or cause their removal from the marketplace or cause us to spend substantial funds for reformulation activities.

#### Manufacturing and Supply

Laxdale are currently responsible for the supply of the clinical supplies of LAX-101 and will, pursuant to our license agreement, be responsible for the commercial manufacturing and supply of LAX-101 should the FDA approve LAX-101.

### Patents and Proprietary Technology

We firmly believe that patent protection of our technologies, processes and products is important to our future operations. The success of our products may depend, in part, upon our ability to obtain strong patent protection. There can however be no assurance that:

any patents will be issued for LAX-101 or any future products in any or all appropriate jurisdictions;

any patents that we or our licensees may obtain will not be successfully challenged in the future;

our technologies, processes or products will not infringe upon the patents of third parties; or

the scope and validity of any patents will prevent third parties from developing similar products.

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When deemed appropriate, we intend to vigorously enforce our patent protection and intellectual property rights.

Our strategy is to file patent applications where we think it is appropriate to protect and preserve the proprietary technology and inventions considered significant to our business. We will also rely upon trade secrets and know-how to retain our competitive position. We will file patent applications either on a country-by-country basis or by using the European or international patent cooperation treaty systems. The existence of a patent in a country may provide competitive advantages to us when seeking licensees in that country. In general, patents granted in most European countries have a twenty-year term, although in certain circumstances the term can be extended by supplementary protection certificates. We may be dependent in some cases upon third party licensors to pursue filing, prosecution and maintenance of patent rights or applications owned or controlled by those parties.

It is possible that third parties will obtain patents or other proprietary rights that might be necessary or useful to us. In cases where third parties are first to invent a particular product or technology, it is possible that those parties will obtain patents that will be sufficiently broad so as to prevent us from utilizing such technology. In addition, we may use unpatented proprietary technology, in which case there would be no assurance that others would not develop similar technology. See Item 3 Key Information Risk Factors We will be dependent on patents, proprietary rights and confidentiality.

## C. Organizational Structure

Following the sale of Gacell Holdings AB and its wholly owner subsidiary Amarin Development AB on October 28, 2003 and the sale of API on February 25, 2004, all of our commercial activities are carried out through Amarin Corporation plc.

Details of all of our significant subsidiaries are summarised below:

	Country of Incorporation	Proportion of Ownership Interest and
Subsidiary Name	or Registration	Voting Power Held
Amarin Pharmaceuticals Company Limited	England	100%

#### D. Property, Plant and Equipment

The following table lists the location, use and ownership interest of our principal properties as of March 24, 2004:

			Size
Location	Use	Ownership	(sq. ft.)
Ely, Cambridgeshire, England			
Ground Floor	Offices	Leased and sub-let	7,135

First Floor	Offices	Leased and sub-let	2,800
Godmanchester, Cambridgeshire, England	Offices	Leased and sub-let	7,000
Mill Valley, California, US	Offices	Leased	9,585
London, UK	Offices	Leased	2.830

We vacated the premises in Ely , Cambridgeshire in July 2001 and have sub-let the lease for this space. We have sub-let the lease in Godmanchester to Phytopharm PLC who occupy the premises on a held over basis under the terms of a lease, the term of which expired in January 2002.

On April 27, 2001, we signed a lease covering 2,830 square feet of office space located at 7 Curzon Street, London, Mayfair, W1J 5HG, England, to serve as our corporate head office. All UK personnel are based at these premises. This lease expires in March 2010.

We believe that our facilities are sufficient to meet our current and immediate future requirements.

Following the sale of API, on February 25, 2004, we have retained the lease of the Mill Valley, California, US offices. The purchaser of API, Valeant Pharmaceuticals International, will fund the rent of these premises through to August 25, 2004 during which time we will seek to assign or sub-let this space or seek a termination of the lease in consideration of a lump sum payment to the landlord. Additionally, under the terms of the asset purchase agreement Valeant has assumed responsibility for the lease of the New Jersey premises disclosed in our previous annual report.

We have no manufacturing capacity at any of the above properties.

Item 5 Operating and Financial Review and Prospects
A. Operating Results
The following discussion of operating results should be read in conjunction with our selected financial information set forth in Item 3 Key Information Selected Financial Data and our consolidated financial statements and notes thereto beginning on page F-1 of this annual report.
Comparison of Fiscal Years Ended December 31, 2003 and December 31, 2002
Overview
In 2003 we saw strong competition to our leading product Permax from both other dopamine agonists and generic competition that entered the market in December 2002. In addition, as disclosed in our annual report on Form 20-F for the year ended December 31, 2002, we ended 2002 with high wholesaler inventory levels for all of our US products and experienced low revenues during 2003 as in-market inventory levels at the end of 2003 have declined. These factors resulted in significant losses in 2003 and significant net cash outflow.
This deterioration in our trading during 2003 meant that we were unable to generate sufficient cash flows from operations to meet our debt obligations. To address our debt obligations we have divested most of our operations through two transactions, one in 2003 and the other shortly after the year-end. The first of these transactions was the sale of Amarin Development AB ( ADAB ) on October 28, 2003. The second was the sale of Amarin Pharmaceuticals Inc. together with our rights to Permax, our primary care portfolio and the development product Zelapar (these divested assets are collectively referred to in this Item 5 Operating and Financial Review and Prospects as API ) on February 2004.
In accordance with UK GAAP, the results of both businesses divested have been shown as discontinued for 2003 and for the comparative years ended December 31, 2002 and 2001.
Revenue
After the disposals of ADAB and API, our remaining business comprises a corporate head office and US rights to LAX-101 which is under development by Laxdale Limited for Huntington s Disease. Our remaining Revenues are negligible in 2003 being just \$0.1 million and comprise royalties on historical licensing activities in line with the prior years.

Operating Expenses

Total operating expenses for the continuing business were \$6.2 million compared to \$6.1 million in 2002, an increase of 2%, and comprised selling, general and administrative expenses of \$5.6 million and amortization of product rights of \$0.6 million.
Interest Income and Interest Expense
Net interest expense for 2003 was \$0.8 million compared to \$2.0 million for 2002. The 2003 net charge comprises Interest Income of \$0.1 million (compared to \$0.4 million in 2002), which was entirely earned from cash balances held on deposit, and Interest Expense of \$0.9 million (compared to \$2.4 million in 2002). The Interest Expense arises on the \$25 million interest bearing loan from Elan which is explained in more detail below in Liquidity and Capital Resources. The 2002 comparative included a provision of \$0.5 million for interest on a capital gains tax liability in relation to the disposal of assets in a discontinued business in 1999. The reduction in Net Interest Expense is primarily due to lower average interest bearing debt during 2003 compared to 2002 following the January 2003 \$17.5 million partial loan repayment to Elan.
Discontinued Operations
As explained above, discontinued operations include the results of API for the whole of 2003 and of ADAB for the period through to its sale on October 28 <sup>th</sup> , 2003.
Discontinued Revenues in 2003 were \$7.3 million compared \$65.3 million for 2002, a decline of \$58.0 million or 89%.
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Revenues for 2003 have been impacted by a number of factors in addition to underlying trading changes. The key factors are:

Charges for Permax returns and in-market inventory risks as a result of generic competition and high in-market inventory levels of \$9.0 million;

Charges for returns on the Primary Care Portfolio of \$1.6 million; and

The inclusion of ADAB through October 28<sup>th</sup> 2003 compared to the full year 2002 a reduction in Revenue of \$2.2 million.

Taking into account these factors, revenues from discontinued operations declined by \$45.2 million.

For 2003, Permax net revenues were negative \$2.4 million because of the returns charges, and net revenues prior to these charges were \$6.6 million. This compares to \$41.3 million of Permax revenues in 2002. At the end of 2002, wholesale customers held significant inventories of Permax and with the decline in demand due to competition did not require us to make further sales throughout 2003. In-market inventory levels at the end of 2003 remained high in number of months forward coverage due to the reduction in monthly in-market demand.

In-market total Permax prescriptions fell to 68,815 in the year to December 31, 2003 from 160,469 in the prior year, a decline of 57%. Consistent with the trend seen in 2002, according to external industry data, total prescriptions for the dopamine agonist market in which Permax competes continued to grow and were up 14% to 1.6 million in the year to December 31, 2003. We attribute the decline in prescriptions of Permax to greater sales and marketing resources dedicated to competing dopamine agonists, the introduction of a competitive generic product and labeling safety disadvantages of Permax. At the end of 2003, based on an externally sourced report, wholesalers and similar customers held approximately 7.1 months supply at the end of 2003 (based on December 2003 in-market demand) compared to 5.1 months (based on December 2002 in-market demand) at the end of 2002. Externally sourced inventory information is not readily available and when available is not necessarily accurate or verifiable.

The primary care portfolio generated \$5.0 million of revenue in 2003, compared to \$16.3 million in 2002. The decline is due to an exceptional returns provision for excess inventory at one customer of \$1.6 million (see above) and wholesaler inventory changes. Wholesaler inventory levels had risen during 2002 in response to discounts that we offered. Management believed that the resulting levels of inventory held by wholesalers at the start of 2003 were too high and an inventory reduction program was initiated, including the moderation of previous discounting practices. The Phrenilin family of products generated revenues of \$2.1 million in 2003, compared to \$6.9 million in 2002. In-market total prescriptions for the Phrenilin family declined 19% in the year ended December 31, 2003 compared to the prior year. According to external industry data, the butalbital market in which Phrenilin competes declined 36% over the same period. Bontril generated revenues of \$3.3 million in 2003 compared to \$5.8 million in 2002 and in market its total prescriptions declined 9% in 2003, again compared to 2002. According to external industry data, total prescriptions of the anti-obesity market in which Bontril competes declined 16% over the same period. Motofen generated revenues of \$0.7 million in 2003 compared to \$1.4 million in 2002 and its total prescriptions were down 10% in the same period. This 10% reduction in prescriptions for Motofen is due to management s decision to reduce marketing spends in response to financial constraints.

We have only limited information on in-market inventory levels for our primary care portfolio. Information available for Bontril indicates that wholesalers and similar customers held approximately 8.5 months supply at the end of 2003 (based on December 2003 in-market demand), the same number of months (based on December 2002 in-market demand) as for 2002.

In 2003, 54% of our revenue was attributable to one customer, compared to 23% in 2002, and the next four largest customers accounted for an additional 36% of our revenue, compared to 56% in 2002.

The gross margin for 2003 from discontinued business was a loss of \$4.7 million compared to a profit of \$35.2 million for 2002. The 2003 loss is a result of the charges against revenue explained above plus the charges for inventory provisions of \$5.3 million relating to Permax and Primary Care in-house inventory that is projected to expire prior to its sale. The 2002 gross margin included a \$4.7 million charge relating to the withdrawal of Phrenilin with Caffeine and Codeine in that year.

Prior to these charges (both against revenue and in inventory provisions for 2003 and 2002), the gross margin decreased to 60% of sales from to 61% in 2002. The slight decrease is a result of product mix offset by management s decision not to offer similar levels of discounts to customers as were offered in 2002.

Included in the 2003 selling, general and administrative expenses attributable to discontinued operations were impairment charges of \$10.1 million relating to the write down of the intangible assets of Permax (\$9.4 million) and the primary care portfolio (\$0.7 million). This compares to \$38.8 million in 2002 related to Permax (\$38.3 million) and Moraxen (\$0.5 million). The 2003

impairment charges have been made to reflect the actual net realizable value under the Valeant sale post year-end. The 2002 Permax impairment charge arose as a result of the launch of a generic form of Permax in the last quarter of 2002.
Included in total operating expenses for 2003 was \$0.1 million in royalties and distribution fees to Elan for sales of Permax, as compared to \$1.4 million in royalties and distribution fees to Elan for Permax sales in 2002.
As disclosed in our Annual Report on Form 20-F for the year ended December 31, 2002, in January 2003 we agreed a reduction in our deferred consideration obligations to Elan. This resulted in a gain of \$7.5 million that has been reflected as a credit in operating expenses attributable to discontinued operations.
The 2002 results include a \$0.5 million provision for the closure of the New Jersey facility, which took place during 2002 and a gain of \$1.1 million on the release of a provision related to transdermal contracts that were sold in 1999 and are no longer anticipated to crystallize.
Amortisation of Permax and the Primary Care Portfolio which are included in selling, general and administrative expenses attributable to discontinued operations, decreased to \$4.9 million in 2003 from \$6.9 million in 2002. The reduction in amortization charge in 2003 arises because of the impairment to the Permax intangible asset carrying value at the end of 2002.
Included in the selling, general and administrative expenses in 2002 was a foreign exchange gain of \$8.1 million (no gain or loss in 2003). The exchange gain resulted from translating dollar denominated balance sheet amounts into pounds sterling at the prevailing exchange rates. As of January 1, 2003 we changed our functional currency from pounds sterling to US dollars, which eliminated the effect of foreign exchange rates on US dollar amounts from that date forward. Our foreign currency net investments are not hedged by currency borrowings or other hedging instruments.
Research and development expenditure on discontinued operations decreased 12% in 2003 to \$5.4 million. This decrease was largely driven by the inclusion of ADAB only for approximately 10 months in 2003 compared to 12 months for 2002.
A gain of \$13.1 million arises on the sale of ADAB to Watson in 2003 and is disclosed in disposal of operations and is attributable to

In 2003, a deferred tax asset of \$7.5 million has been recognized on the excess of tax book values compared to accounting carrying values for Permax. A deferred tax asset on part of the timing differences has been recognized to the extent that it will be realized in 2004 to shelter a gain arising on the settlement of Elan debt obligations. Establishing this deferred tax asset gives rise to a tax credit of \$7.5 million in the current year, being the substantial portion of the current year tax credit of \$7.4 million. Included in the 2002 tax on profit on ordinary activities of \$3.5 million

discontinued operations.

Taxation

is a provision of \$2.6 million in relation to corporate tax on a capital gain incurred on the disposal of assets in a discontinued business which

took place during the 1999 fiscal year.
Comparison of Fiscal Years Ended December 31, 2002 and December 31, 2001
Overview
The continuing operations revenues for 2002 and 2001 are derived from historical royalty license agreements. Operating expenses represent the corporate head office. The results of our operating activities that were sold prior to the date of this annual report are included as discontinued.
Revenue
Revenues from the continuing business for fiscal 2002 were \$0.1 million in-line with 2001.
Operating Expenses
Total operating expenses for the continuing business were \$6.1 million compared to \$4.4 million in 2001, an increase of 38%. This increase reflects the relocation of our head office from Cambridge, UK to London, increased travel to the U.S. and increased professional, investor relations and public relations fees.
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Interest Income and Interest Expense

Interest income of \$0.4 million in 2002 was entirely earned from cash balances held on deposit. Interest expense in 2002 of \$2.4 million included a provision of \$0.5 million representing interest on a capital gains tax liability in relation to the disposal of assets in a discontinued business in 1999. The remaining interest expense of \$1.9 million in 2002 was accrued on the remaining balance of US\$42.5 million of the loan from Elan, which is explained in more detail below in Liquidity and Capital Resources. This loan from Elan was drawn down in 2001 to finance the acquisition of Permax. Consequently, the increase in interest charge in 2002 is reflective of the loan being outstanding for the full year compared to a partial year in 2001.

Taxation

The 2002 taxation charge of \$3.5 million comprises \$2.6 million related to capital gains arising on the disposal of a discontinued business in 1999 and \$0.9 million of overseas tax paid on results for the year. The 2002 charge comprises tax on the result for the year.

Discontinued Operations

In March 2002, we exercised our option to acquire from Elan, a related party, the remaining US rights to Permax. Prior to the exercise of the option, we had been acting in the capacity of exclusive US distributor of Permax. The exercise of the option triggered an additional \$37.5 million in deferred fixed payments to Elan, \$7.5 million of which was paid on exercise of the option and \$2.5 million of which was paid in July 2002. The balance was reduced in January 2003 by \$7.5 million and two installments of \$2.5 million were paid in January and March, respectively with the remaining amount being payable in six quarterly instalments of \$2.5 million. We were required to pay royalties to Elan of between 3.0% and 3.5% on all of our US net sales of Permax in 2002 increasing to 10% on all of our US net sales of Permax thereafter. In addition, we have received contributions from Elan towards the cost of product returns relating to sales made prior to our acquisition of the Permax sales rights.

For 2002, Permax generated \$42.5 million of revenues compared to \$29.9 million in 2001. This increase was caused by the inclusion of Permax revenues for a full year, versus only seven months in 2001. In-market total Permax prescriptions fell to 160,469 in the year to December 31, 2002 from 192,222 in the prior year, a decline of 17%. At the same time, however, according to external industry data, total prescriptions for the dopamine agonist market in which Permax competes grew by 14% to 1.4 million in the year ended December 31, 2002 over the prior year. We attribute the decline in prescriptions of Permax to the introduction of a competitive generic product and to an article reporting a possible connection between pergolide, which is ergot-derived, and valvular heart disease. Additionally, the levels of inventory held by wholesalers and similar customers impacts the level of sales made by us. At the end of 2002, based on an externally sourced report, wholesalers and similar customers held approximately 5.1 months supply (based on December 2002 in-market demand) compared to 6.8 months (based on December 2001 in-market demand) at the end of 2001.

The primary care portfolio generated \$16.3 million in 2002, compared to \$18.7 million in 2001. This decrease was mainly due to the discontinuation of Phrenilin with Caffeine and Codeine during 2002 caused by severe competition from generic competitors. The Phrenilin family of products generated revenues of \$6.8 million in 2002, compared to \$9.8 million in 2001. In-market total prescriptions for the Phrenilin family declined 12% in the year ended December 31, 2002 compared to the prior year. According to external industry data, the butalbital market in which Phrenilin competes declined 36% over the same period. Bontril generated revenues of \$5.8 million in 2002 compared to \$6.4 million in

2001 and in-market, its total prescriptions were up 16% in 2002, again compared to 2001. According to external industry data, total prescriptions of the anti-obesity market in which Bontril competes declined 20% over the same period. Motofen generated revenues of \$1.3 million in 2002 compared to \$1.6 million in 2001 and its total prescriptions were up 2% in the same period. Total prescriptions of the anti-diarrhoeal market in which Motofen competes were down 3% in 2002 compared to 2001 according to external industry data.

We have only limited information on in-market inventory levels for our primary care product portfolio. Information available for Bontril indicates that wholesalers and similar customers held approximately 8.5 months—supply at the end of 2002 (based on December 2002 in-market demand). No comparable prior year information is available.

Royalty revenues were \$1.8 million for fiscal year 2002 compared to \$2.6 million in 2001. This decrease was mainly due to erosion of the market share of diltiazem. Licensing and development fees were \$3.4 million for the year compared to \$2.4 million in 2001. Increases in licensing and development fees were entirely due to new fees for service contracts which were performed by our development company in Malmö, Sweden. The principal licensing and development contracts in 2002 were with Tanabe, Kissei

In 2002	. 23% of our revenue v	vas attributable to one cust	comer, compared to 109	% in 2001, and the	e next four largest custo	omers accounted for an

Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. and Athpharma Limited.

additional 56% of our revenue, compared to 26% in 2001.

The gross margin for 2002 from discontinued business decreased to 54% compared to 60% for 2001. The 2002 cost of sales included a \$4.7 million one-time inventory write off provision in relation to the discontinuance of Phrenilin with Caffeine and Codeine. Excluding the impact of this charge, the gross margin was 61%. Permax had a margin of 59% in 2002 compared to 55% in 2001. The primary care portfolio had a combined average gross margin of 69% in 2002 compared to 72% in 2001.

Total selling, general and administrative expenses from discontinued operations of \$55.6 million accounted for 91% of total expenditures and represented an increase of 68% in 2002 over selling, general and administrative expenses in 2001.

Included in the 2002 selling, general and administrative expenses were impairment charges of \$38.8 million relating to the write down of the intangible assets of Permax (\$38.3 million) and Moraxen (\$0.5 million). The Permax impairment charge arose as a result of the launch of a generic form of Permax in the last quarter of 2002.

Included in total operating expenses for 2002 was \$1.4 million in royalties and distribution fees to Elan for sales of Permax, as compared to \$3.5 million in royalties and distribution fees to Elan for Permax sales in 2001.

Also included in the 2002 selling, general and administrative expenses was a \$0.5 million provision for the closure of the New Jersey facility, which took place during 2002.

Amortisation, which is included in selling, general and administrative expenses, decreased to \$7.4 million in 2002 from \$22.9 million in 2001. The 2001 charge includes \$20.1 million relating to the accelerated amortization of the Permax intangible prior to the exercise of the option to acquire all US Permax rights. Most of the amortization charge in 2002 reflects expense in relation to the Permax intangible following our exercise of our option to acquire the remaining US rights to Permax.

Included in the selling, general and administrative expenses in 2002 was a foreign exchange gain of \$8.0 million compared to a loss of \$0.3 million in 2001. The exchange gain resulted from translating dollar denominated balance sheet amounts into pounds sterling at the prevailing exchange rates.

Excluding amortisation and non-recurring items, total selling, general and administration expenses increased by 38% to \$23.7 million. This increase was largely due to the inclusion for a full year of the sales and marketing office in Mill Valley, California and of the sales force.

Research and development expenditure on discontinued operations increased 23% in 2002 to \$6.2 million. This increase was largely driven by the continued focus on fee for service contracts at our development facility in Malmö, Sweden, along with the enlargement of a regulatory and medical function in our US business.
During 2002, a provision of \$1.1 million was released in relation to the transdermal contracts. The provision had been created for the anticipated costs associated with the termination or assignment of the transdermal contracts and was released as these costs are no longer expected to crystallize.
Included in the 2002 tax on profit on ordinary activities of \$3.5 million is a provision of \$2.6 million in relation to corporate tax on the capital gain incurred on the disposal of assets in a discontinued business which took place during the 1999 fiscal year.
Critical Accounting Policies
Our significant accounting policies are described in Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements beginning on page F-1 of this annual report. We believe our most critical accounting policies include those described immediately below.
Intangible Assets
UK GAAP requires that we periodically evaluate acquired assets for potential impairment indicators. Our judgments regarding the
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existence of impairment indicators are based on legal factors, market conditions, operational performance and expected cash flows from the assets. Since indications or impairments can result from events outside of our control, it can be difficult to predict when an impairment loss may occur. However, should an impairment occur, we would be required to write down the carrying value of the affected asset to its recoverable amount and to recognize a corresponding charge to the income statement. Any such impairment may have a material adverse impact on our financial condition and results of operations.

When we make an investment in a development product, amounts paid are capitalized and amortised immediately over the estimated life of that asset. If the intangible asset is a marketed product, the amount capitalized is reviewed for impairment by comparing the net present value of future cash flows to the carrying value of the asset.

Long-lived assets chiefly relate to amounts capitalized in connection with acquired intangible assets. These assets are amortised over their estimated useful lives, which generally range from ten to fifteen years. Management periodically reviews the appropriateness of the remaining useful lives of its long-lived assets in the context of current and expected future market conditions. In the event that we are required to reduce our estimate of the useful lives of any of our long-lived assets, it would shorten the period over which we depreciate the affected asset and may result in a material increase of depreciation expense prospectively from the date of the change in estimate.

#### Revenue Recognition

Prior to the sale of our US business subsequent to the end of the 2003 fiscal year, we derived a significant majority of our revenues from the sale of pharmaceutical products. We recognized revenue for the invoiced value of products delivered to the customer, less applicable discounts. Our normal sales terms allowed for product returns under certain conditions. We accrued for estimated sales returns and allowances and offset these amounts against revenue. We regularly reviewed our estimates against actual returns and also factored in other variables such as planned product discontinuances and market and regulatory considerations. Actual returns and deductions were processed against returns and deductions reserves were updated to reflect differences between estimates and actual experience.

Income under license and development agreements continues to be recognized using the lesser of non-refundable cash received or the result achieved using percentage-of-completion accounting. Milestone payments representing contingent fees due to us upon satisfaction of contractually agreed criteria were recognized when we fulfilled our obligations under the contract, the amounts are non-refundable, and collectability is probable.

#### Impact of Inflation

Although our operations are influenced by general economic trends, we do not believe that inflation had a material impact on our operations for the periods presented.

#### **Governmental Policies**

We are not aware of any governmental, economic, fiscal, monetary or political policies that have materially affected or could materially affect, directly or indirectly, our operations or investments by US shareholders.

### B. Liquidity and Capital Resources

We have financed our operations through cash generated from operations as well as the issuance of debt and equity securities. Over the three years ended December 31, 2003, we have received \$23.0 million in cash from the issuance of shares (net of expenses) and \$49.8 million in loans, the loans having been provided by our related party Elan. We have repaid \$22.5 million of these loans during this three-year period and subsequent to the end of the year repaid and re-financed the remaining loans.

Cash

As of December 31, 2003, we had approximately \$2.1 million in cash. This cash has been invested primarily in US dollar denominated money market and checking accounts with financial institutions in the UK having a high credit standing. As of March 24, 2004, we had approximately \$10.7 million in cash, the increase representing net proceeds from the sale of API.

Cash flows expended on continuing operations were \$4.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2003 as compared to \$4.2

million for the year ended December 31, 2002 and \$3.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2001. Cash flows expended on discontinued operations were \$10.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2003 as compared to cash flows generated on these discontinued activities of \$10.4 million and \$21.9 million for the years ended December 31, 2002 and 2001 respectively.

The operating cash flows expended on continuing and discontinued operations reflect funding of the operating loss of \$38.8 million adjusted for non-cash depreciation, amortization and impairment charges (\$16.1 million), and a net inflow on working capital of \$7.6 million. In 2002, operating cash flows generated reflect an operating loss on continuing and discontinued operations of \$32.6 million adjusted for non-cash charges of \$47.1 million (amortization, depreciation and impairment charges), a reduction in net working capital of \$1.7 million and offset by a non-cash foreign exchange gain of \$10.1 million.

Cash flows expended on investing activities were \$16.8 million in 2003 as compared to \$11.5 million in 2002. Our principal investing activities relate to the purchase of the remaining US rights to Permax from Elan for which \$16.1 million was paid in 2003 and \$10.9 million in 2002. In 2001 investing activities primarily comprised the purchase of distribution rights to Permax from Elan of \$47.5 million.

In 2003 \$13.4 million (net of expenses) was received from the sale of Amarin Development AB and the purchaser additionally assumed a \$0.3 million overdraft. There were no significant acquisitions or disposals of assets in 2002 or 2001.

Cash inflows from financing activities in 2003 were \$1.4 million compared to cash outflows of \$3.0 million in 2002 and cash inflows of \$50.0 million in 2001. Net cash provided by financing activities in 2003 comprised a private placement of ordinary shares (\$19.1 million) see below offset by repayment of Elan loans (\$17.5 million). Net cash outflows on financing activities in 2002 primarily relate to repayment of Elan loans. Net cash inflows from financing in 2001 were largely due to the US\$45 million loan provided by Elan.

The 2002 purchase of the remaining US rights to Permax consisted of a non-cash movement due to the creation of a scheme of deferred payments, which were in the amount of \$27.5 million. In January 2003, Elan agreed to waive \$7.5 million of the deferred payments and during 2003 \$16.1 million was paid, \$5 million in two quarterly instalments and \$11.1 million from the proceeds received on the sale of ADAB (see commentary above). As of December 31, 2003, \$3.9 million in deferred payments was outstanding.

As described in Item 4 Information on the Company History and Development of the Company, we completed a private placement of 6,093,728 Ordinary Shares, raising gross proceeds of approximately \$21.2 million in January 2003. As part of the private placement, we issued warrants to acquire 313,234 Ordinary Shares at an exercise price of \$3.4785 per share, which warrants are exercisable between January 27, 2004 and January 26, 2008. The net proceeds of our January 2003 private placement (taking into account the cash fees of our placement agent but not our legal, travel, printing or other expenses) were approximately \$19.1 million. We applied a portion of these net proceeds, together with available cash reserves, to satisfy certain payment obligations to Elan. See Contractual Commitments, Item 7 Major Shareholders and Related Party Transactions Related Party Transactions and our financial statements beginning at page F-1 of this annual report.

As at December 31, 2003, total debt obligations outstanding comprised a \$25.0 million interest bearing loan, and a \$6.5 million interest free loan, both of which were from Elan (a related party). Subsequent to the end of the year, on February 25, 2004, these loans (together with deferred consideration obligations) were settled through the payment of cash (\$17.2 million) and issuing a new 5- year 8% loan note (\$5.0 million) and warrants covering 500,000 Ordinary Shares to Elan. A gain on settlement of these debt and deferred consideration obligations will be recognized in 2004.

All treasury activity is managed in the corporate head office. Cash balances are invested in short term money market deposits, either dollar or sterling. No formal hedging activities are undertaken although cash balances are maintained in currencies that match our financial obligations. Subsequent to the end of the year, following the sale of API, the cash balances were divided into sterling deposits (to match the next twelve months corporate overheads) and dollar deposits (to match obligations to Valeant, operating expenses denominated in dollars and interest expense arising on the 5 year 8% loan note).

#### Pro Forma Financial Projections

As we have previously reported, subsequent to the end of the year, we have sold our US commercial activities, all of our US marketed products and one of our US development products. In addition, our balance sheet as at December 31, 2003 reflects negative total shareholders funds. As a result of both the sale of substantially all of our operations, and our balance sheet position, Nasdaq

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recently initiated a review to determine whether we meet its requirements for continued listing on the Nasdaq National Market.

Taking into account the impacts of the sale of the US assets subsequent to the end of the year, we will still not satisfy Nasdaq s minimum stockholders equity requirements as shown by the following table that sets forth our summarized balance sheet at December 31, 2003 and a summarized balance sheet adjusted to give effect to our sale subsequent to the year end and settlement of our Elan debt obligations from the proceeds of that sale.

	Balance Sheet as at December 31, 2003 (See below*) \$ million	Adjustments (Unaudited) \$ million	Adjusted Balance Sheet (Unaudited) \$ million
Fixed Assets (1)	32.8	(28.4)	4.4
Current Assets (2)	5.0	(3.8)	1.2
Cash (3)	2.1	3.8	5.9
Deferred Tax (4)	7.5	(7.5)	
Total Assets	47.4	(35.9)	11.5
Current Liabilities (5)	(53.7)	50.4	(3.3)
Long Term Liabilities (6)		(5.0)	(5.0)
Total Liabilities	(53.7)	45.4	(8.3)
Total Shareholders (Deficit)/Funds	(6.3)	9.5	3.2

<sup>\*</sup>Extracted from audited financial statements

#### **Notes:**

	\$ million
(1) Fixed assets adjustment comprises:	
Acquisition of Zelapar upon settlement with Elan	8.0
Intangible assets sold to Valeant	(36.4)
	(28.4)
(2) Current assets adjustment comprises:	
Current assets sold to Valeant	(3.8)
(3) Cash movements comprise:	
Cash balance in API sold to Valeant	(1.0)
Cash consideration from Valeant sale	38.0
Cash element of Elan debt settlement	(17.2)
Expenses and cash obligations on sale to Valeant	(16.0)
	3.8

(4) Deferred tax	
Asset released against settlement of Elan obligations	(7.5)
(5) Current liabilities adjustment comprises:	
Liabilities assumed by Valeant on sale	15.0
Elan debt settled	35.4
	(50.4)
(6) Long tem liability adjustment comprises:	
Long term loan from Elan arising on debt settlement	(5.0)

Management has developed plans to be implemented during 2004 to address the requirements for continued listing on the Nasdaq National Market. This plan includes a combination of product licensing, financing through the issue of new shares and potential merger and acquisition activities.

## General-Liquidity

We have evaluated our anticipated cash flow through March 31, 2005, based on our current estimates of future payment obligations. Based on our anticipated cash flow and our cash balances as at March 24, 2004, we estimate that we can fund our operations and meet our obligations through at least March 31, 2005.

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### C. Research and Development

To date we have managed development risk by structuring agreements such that our development partners incur the cost of research and development activities for products we license from them. Whether we continue with this strategy will be dependent upon the future licensing opportunities that arise and the requirements of potential future partners.

#### D. Trend Information

Following the sale of ADAB to Watson on October 28, 2003 and our US assets to Valeant subsequent to the end of the year, we do not have significant short-term revenue generating assets. Consequently, future results for the Group in its current form will reflect expenditure on our corporate activities and will trend in-line with the continuing business results presented herein for the year ended December 31, 2003.

#### **E.** Off Balance Sheet Transactions

Although, there are no disclosable off balance sheet transactions there are transactions involving contingent milestones see "Note 39 Related party transactions" in our financial statements.

### F. Contractual Obligations.

The following table summarizes our payment obligations as of December 31, 2003:

		Payments due by period in \$ 000 s					
	Total	Less than 1 year	1-2 years	2-3 years	3-4 years	4-5 years	Thereafter
Long term debt							
Capital / finance lease							
Operating lease	6,537	1,170	1,110	991	907	490	1,869
Purchase obligations	2,752	1,953	183	388	228		
Other long term creditors							
Total	9,289	3,123	1,293	1,379	1,135	490	1,869

As at December 31, 2003, we did not have any commitments related to Zelapar but had an option to acquire exclusive US rights. Upon exercise of that option would have become liable for certain milestone payments related to future sales. Subsequent to the end of the year we exercised our option to acquire Zelapar and simultaneously sold our rights and assigned our obligations to Valeant Pharmaceuticals International see Item 4A Information on the Company-History and Development of the Company.

There are no capital commitments relating to the LAX-101 development project. However, we will be required to issue additional Ordinary Shares and make royalty payments on future sales of LAX-101, subject to achievement of milestones in the agreement.

The following table summarizes our contractual obligations as of March 24, 2004 after giving effect to the disposal of our US subsidiary and the restructuring of our debt to Elan:

	Payments due by period starting January 1, 2004 in $\$$ 000 s						
	Total	Less than 1 year	1-2 years	2-3 years	3-4 years	4-5 years	Thereafter
Long term debt	5,000			1,500	1,500	2,000	

The above represents indebtedness under a \$5 million loan note issued to Elan. We will be required to make a payment of \$1.0 million under such note upon receipt of the first milestone payment under the Asset Purchase Agreement with Valeant, which payment arises on successful completion of the Zelapar research and development studies.

On receipt of the \$5 million second milestone payment under the Asset Purchase Agreement with Valeant, which payment arises on FDA approval of Zelapar, Elan has the option to have the entire \$5.0 million long term loan note repaid.

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#### Item 6 Directors, Senior Management and Employees

## A. Directors and Senior Management

The following table sets forth certain information regarding our officers and directors. A summary of the background and experience of each of these individuals follows the table.

Name	Age	Position
Thomas G. Lynch	47	Chairman and Non-Executive Director
Richard A. B. Stewart	45	Chief Executive Officer and Director
John Groom	65	Non-Executive Director
Anthony Russell-Roberts	59	Non-Executive Director

William Mason	52	Non-Executive Director
Hubert Huckel	72	Non-Executive Director
Ian R. Garland	38	Chief Financial Officer
Jonathan Lamb	36	General Counsel and Company Secretary
Darren Cunningham	31	Executive Vice President of Strategic Development

Mr. Thomas Lynch joined us on January 21, 2000 as Chairman and Non-Executive Director. Mr. Lynch is currently senior advisor to the Chairman of Elan Corporation plc and previously worked at Elan Corporation plc. While there, he had a number of roles including Vice Chairman, Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Director. Prior thereto, Mr. Lynch was a partner in the international accounting firm of KPMG, where he specialized in the provision of international corporate financial services. Mr. Lynch is also a director of IDA Ireland (an Irish governmental agency) and Icon plc.

Mr. Richard Stewart joined us in November 1998 as our President and Chief Operating Officer. Prior to joining us, Mr. Stewart was responsible for corporate strategy as Corporate Development Director of SkyePharma plc, having previously been their Finance Director. He holds a B.Sc. in business administration from the University of Bath, School of Management. Mr. Stewart joined our board of directors on November 23, 1998.

Mr. John Groom joined us as a Non-Executive Director on May 29, 2001. Mr. Groom served as President and Chief Operating Officer of Elan Corporation plc from July 1996 until his retirement in January 2001. Mr. Groom continues to serve Elan in an advisory capacity. Mr. Groom was President, Chief Executive Officer and Director of Athena Neurosciences, Inc. prior to its acquisition by Elan in 1996. Mr. Groom serves on the board of directors of Neuronyx Inc., CV Therapeutics Inc. and Ligand Pharmaceuticals Incorporated.

Mr. Anthony Russell-Roberts joined us as a Non-Executive Director on April 7, 2000. He has held the position of Administrative Director of The Royal Ballet at the Royal Opera House since 1983. Prior to that, he was Artistic Administrator of the Paris Opera from 1981 after five years of work in the lyric arts in various theatres. Mr. Russell-Roberts earlier business career started as a general management trainee with Watney Mann, which was followed by eight years with Lane Fox and Partners, as a partner specializing in commercial property development. He holds an M.A. degree in Politics, Philosophy, and Economics from Oxford University and was awarded a CBE in 2004.

Dr. William Mason was appointed as a Non-Executive Director on July 19, 2002. Dr. Mason is an entrepreneur with a strong scientific background in healthcare and life sciences. He received his doctorate in physiology from Trinity College, Cambridge in 1977. For twenty years Dr. Mason led a public and industry-funded programme of neuroscience-focused medical research using cellular and molecular genetics, advanced computing and engineering technology for the visualisation of chemical events in biological cells and high throughput drug discovery. During this time, Dr. Mason also played an active part as a member of the Advisory Council on Science and Technology in the UK Cabinet Office of HM Government focused on changes to the educational system to effect the development of a more highly qualified scientific and technical manpower base in the UK. He also founded three successful high technology companies. Currently, Dr. Mason is Chairman of Cytomyx plc (AIM: CYX), Meridian Technology Ltd and Team Consulting, a board director of Sage Healthcare Limited and an Advisory Board Member of Cambridge Gateway Fund.

Dr. Hubert Huckel joined us as a Non-Executive Director on June 16, 2000. From 1964 until his retirement in December 1992, Dr. Huckel served in various positions with the Hoechst Group. At the time of his retirement, he was Executive Chairman of the Board of Hoechst-Roussel Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Chairman and President of Hoechst-Roussel Agri-Vet Company and a member of the Executive Committee of Hoechst Celanese Corporation. He currently serves on the boards of directors of Titan Pharmaceuticals Inc., Thermogenesis Corporation, Valera Pharmaceutical Inc. and Catalyst Pharmaceutical Partners, Inc.

Mr. Ian Garland joined us as Chief Financial Officer in March 2003. Mr. Garland joined Amarin from Celltech Group PLC, the UK s largest bio-pharmaceutical company, where since 1999 he had run their US specialty pharmaceutical operations reporting to the UK based global Pharmaceuticals Chief Executive. Mr. Garland joined Celltech US in 1997 as Chief Financial Officer. Prior to his position at Celltech, Mr. Garland was a Finance Director at Pepsi Cola International in New York. Mr. Garland is a chartered accountant and spent seven years with KPMG in London specialising in pharmaceuticals.

Mr. Jonathan Lamb joined us in February 2002 as General Counsel and Company Secretary. Mr. Lamb joined us from Shire Pharmaceuticals Group plc, where he served in Shire s legal division. Prior to his position in Shire, Mr. Lamb was a partner at Gosschalks, an English firm of solicitors, where he specialized in corporate and business law. In this capacity he provided advice and legal services to several clients in the pharmaceutical and biotechnology sectors.

Mr. Darren Cunningham joined us on secondment from Elan in August 2001 and was appointed as our Executive Vice President of Strategic Development in September 2002. Prior to joining Amarin, Mr. Cunningham worked for Elan as manager and then Associate Director of Strategic Planning. Mr. Cunningham is a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants (Ireland) and trained at Price Waterhouse in Dublin.

Following the sale of Amarin Pharmaceuticals Inc on 25th February 2004 to Valeant Pharmaceuticals International, Michael D. Coffee resigned as a director and employee of the Company. Mr Coffee, our former Chief Operating Officer was entitled to receive certain severance benefits on termination of his employment with us or on a change of control. These benefits included (i) a lump sum severance payment of 12 months salary, plus an additional month for each year or part year of service, up to a maximum total payment of 18 months, (ii) outplacement assistance, (iii) a prorated bonus payment for that year, (iv) a continuation of payment of his employee portion of any COBRA benefits; and (v) accelerated vesting of unvested stock options held. On the date of his resignation Mr Coffee waived any rights to severance benefits as against the Company.

There is no family relationship between any director or executive officer and any other director or executive officer.

#### B. Compensation

#### General

Our directors who serve as officers or employees receive no compensation for their service as members of our board of directors. Directors who are not officers or employees receive \$44,753 per annum save for the Chairmen of the Audit and remuneration Committees who receive \$71,604 and such options to acquire Ordinary Shares for their service as non-executive members of the board of directors as the Remuneration committee of the board of directors may from time to time determine. Thomas Lynch and John Groom have to date waived their right to non-executive directors fees. Additionally, Thomas Lynch has to date waived all of his rights with respect to option grants to non-executive directors that were proposed for him.

For the year ended December 31, 2003, all of our directors and senior management as a group received total compensation of US \$1.137 million and in addition, directors and senior management were issued options to purchase a total of 305,933 Ordinary Shares during such period. See Share Ownership below for the specific terms of the options held by each director and officer.

There are no sums set aside or accrued by us for pension, retirement or similar benefits although we do make contributions to certain of our employees and officers pensions during the term of their employment with us.

#### The Amarin Corporation plc 2002 Stock Option Plan

The Amarin Corporation plc 2002 Stock Option Plan came into effect on January 1, 2002. The term of the plan is ten years, and no award shall be granted under the plan after January 1, 2012.

The plan is administered by the remuneration committee of our board of directors. A maximum of four million Ordinary Shares may be issued under the plan. Employees, officers, consultants and independent contractors are eligible persons under the plan. The remuneration committee may grant options to eligible persons. In determining which eligible persons may receive an award of options and become participants in the plan, as well as the terms of any option award, the remuneration committee may take into account the nature of the services rendered to us by the eligible persons, their present and potential contributions to our success or such other

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factors as the remuneration committee, at its discretion, shall deem relevant.

Two forms of options may be granted under the plan: incentive stock options and non-qualified stock options. Incentive stock options are options intended to meet the requirements of Section 422 of the US Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. Non-qualified stock options are options which are not intended to be incentive stock options.

As a condition to the grant of an option award, the recipient and us shall execute an award agreement containing such restrictions, terms and conditions, if any, as the remuneration committee may require. Option awards are to be granted under the plan for no cash consideration or for such minimal cash consideration as may be required by law. The exercise price of options granted under the plan shall be determined by the remuneration committee, however the plan provides that the exercise price shall not be less than 100% of the fair market value, as defined under the plan, of an Ordinary Share on the date that the option is granted. The consideration to be paid for the shares under option shall be paid at the time that the shares are issued. The term of each option shall end ten years following the date on which it was granted. The remuneration committee may decide from time to time whether options granted under the plan may be exercised in whole or in part.

No option granted under the plan may be exercised until it has vested. The remuneration committee will specify the vesting schedule for each option when it is granted. If no vesting schedule is specified with respect to a particular option, then the vesting schedule set out in the plan will apply so that 33% of the total number of Ordinary Shares granted under the option shall vest on the first anniversary of the date that the option was granted, a further 33% shall vest on the second anniversary and the remaining 34% shall vest on the third anniversary.

The plan provides that the vesting of options shall be accelerated if we undergo a change of control and at the discretion of the remuneration committee. In the event of an offer to acquire all of our issued share capital or the acquisition of all of our issued share capital in other specified circumstances, the option holder may release its option in return for the grant of a new option over shares in the acquiring company.

If a participant s continuous status as an employee or consultant, as defined under the plan, is terminated for cause then his or her options shall expire immediately. If such status is terminated due to death or permanent disability and if options held by the participant have vested and are exercisable, they shall remain exercisable for twelve months following the date of the participant s death or disability.

No option award, nor any right under an option award, may be transferred by a participant other than by will or by the laws of descent as specifically set out in the plan. Participants do not have any rights as a shareholder of record in us with respect to the Ordinary Shares issuable on the exercise of their options until a certificate representing such Ordinary Shares registered in the participant s name has been delivered to the participant.

The plan is governed by the laws of England.

#### **C.** Board Practices

#### General

No director has a service contract providing for benefits upon the termination of service or employment.

Our articles of association stipulate that the minimum number of directors shall be two and the maximum number shall be fifteen. We presently have eight directors. Directors may be elected by the shareholders at a general meeting or appointed by the board of directors. If a director is appointed by the board of directors, that director must stand for election at our subsequent annual general meeting. At each annual general meeting, one-third of our directors must retire and either stand, or not stand, for re-election. In determining which directors shall retire and stand, or not stand, for re-election, first, we include any director who chooses to retire and not face re-election and second, we choose the directors who have served as directors for the longest period of time since their last election.

At the annual general meeting for 2004, Messrs. Mason, Russell-Roberts and Lynch will retire by rotation, and each is expected to offer himself for re-election. Assuming no directors choose to retire and not stand for re-election at the annual general meetings in 2005 and 2006, we would expect Messrs. Huckel, Groom and Stewart, to retire and stand for re-election at the 2005 annual general meeting and Messrs. Mason, Russell-Roberts and Lynch to retire and stand for re-election at the 2006 annual general meeting. See

Directors and Senior Management above for details on when each of our directors joined our board of directors.
Audit Committee
The audit committee of the board of directors comprises three of our non-executive directors and meets, as required, to review the scope of the audit and audit procedures, the format and content of the audited financial statements and the accounting principles applied in preparing the financial statements. The audit committee also reviews proposed changes in accounting policies, recommendations from the auditors regarding improving internal controls and the adequacy of resources within the accounting function.
The audit committee currently comprises the following directors:
Mr. Dr. William Mason (Chairman);
Mr. Anthony Russell-Roberts; and
Mr John Groom (Financial Expert)
Remuneration Committee
The remuneration committee of the board of directors comprises three of our non-executive directors. The remuneration committee s primary responsibility is to approve the level of remuneration for executive directors. It may also grant options under our share option schemes to employees and executive directors and must approve any service contracts for executive directors and key employees. Non-executive directors remuneration is determined by the full board of directors.
The remuneration committee currently comprises the following directors:
Mr. Anthony Russell-Roberts (Chairman);
Dr. Hubert Huckel; and

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Mr. Thomas Lynch.

## D. Employees

The average number of employees employed by us during each of the past three financial years are detailed below:

Employment activity	12/31/03	12/31/2002	12/31/2001
Marketing and Administration	50	58	30
Clinical and Regulation	5	6	7
Research and Development	20	24	29
Computing	2	2	2
Laboratory	13	16	16
Total	90	106	84

The average number of employees employed by us by geographical region for the financial year ended December 31, 2003 is set forth below:

<b>a</b> .	Number of
Country	Employees
UK	8
US	33
Total	41

Following the sale of our US subsidiary in February 2004 our US employees did not remain with the Amarin group, resulting in a reduction of our workforce from 41 employees to 8.

# E. Share Ownership

The beneficial owership of Ordinary Shares by, and options granted to, those persons who were our directors or officers at March 24, 2004, including their spouses and children under eighteen years of age, are presented in the table below. See also Compensation The Amarin Corporation plc 2002 Stock Option Plan .

Director/ Officer	Note	Options Outstanding to Acquire Number of Ordinary Shares	Date of Grant (dd/mm/yy)	Exercise pe Ordinary	r	Ordinary Shares or ADS Equivalents Beneficially Owned	Percentage of Outstanding Share Capital**
J. Groom	1	15,000	23/01/02	\$	17.65	*	*
	1	15,000	06/11/02	\$	3.10		
H. E. Huckel	2	10,000	19/02/01	\$	6.12	*	*
	1	15,000	23/01/02	\$	17.65		
	1	15,000	06/11/02	\$	3.10		
T. G. Lynch		0				*	*
W. Mason	1	15,000	06/11/02	\$	3.10	*	*
A. Russell-Roberts							
	2	10,000	07/04/00	\$	3.00	*	*
	2	10,000	19/02/01	\$	6.12		
	1	15,000	23/01/02	\$	17.65		
	1	15,000	06/11/02	\$	3.10		
R. A. B. Stewart							
	3	350,000	23/11/98	\$	5.00	510,000	2.4%
	1	150,000	23/01/02	\$	17.65		
	1	150,000	06/11/02	\$	3.10		
D. Cunningham	1	60,000	18/07/02	\$	3.46	*	*
	1	40,000	24/02/03	\$	3.17		
I. R. Garland	1	200,000	03/03/03	\$	2.82	*	*
J. S. Lamb	1	80,000	18/02/02	\$	13.26	*	*
	1	26,667	06/11/02	\$	3.10		
	1	65,933	24/02/03	\$	3.17		

Notes:

<sup>(1)</sup> These options are exercisable as to one third on each of the first, second and third anniversaries of the date of grant and remain exercisable for a period ended on the tenth anniversary of the date of grant.

- (2) These options are currently exercisable and remain exercisable until ten years from the date of grant.
- When granted these options were to become exercisable in tranches upon the price of our Ordinary Shares achieving certain pre-determined levels. By resolution of the board of directors of January 21, 2000, options to acquire 100,000 of these Ordinary Shares became exercisable immediately at an exercise price of US\$5.00 per Ordinary Share and remain exercisable until 54 months from the date of grant. On February 9, 2000, our remuneration committee approved the repricing of the remaining options to an exercise price of US\$5.00 per Ordinary Share, exercisable immediately and lapsing ten years from the date of grant.
- \* Less than one percent of our outstanding share capital at March 24, 2004.
- \*\* This information is based on 17,939,786 Ordinary Shares outstanding as of March 24, 2004, outstanding warrants to purchase 843,234 Ordinary Shares as of March 24, 2004, which warrants are exercisable on or before May 30, 2004 and outstanding options to purchase 2,729,752 Ordinary Shares, which options are exercisable on or before May 30, 2004.

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### **Item 7 Major Shareholders and Related Party Transactions**

### A. Major Shareholders

The following table sets forth to the best of our knowledge certain information regarding the ownership of our Ordinary Shares at March 24, 2004 by each person who is known to us to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of our outstanding Ordinary Shares, either directly or by virtue of ownership of ADSs.

Name of Owner (1)	Number of Ordinary Shares or ADS Equivalents Beneficially Owned	Percentage of Outstanding Share Capital (2)
Elan Corporation plc and its subsidiaries (3)	5,153,819	23.96%
Essex Woodlands Health Venture Fund V, LP s	2,012,361	9.35%
Horizon Waves & Co. as nominee for the Smith Barney Fundamental		
Value Fund (4)	1,779,145	8.27%
Simon G. Kukes (5)	1,248,145	5.96%

Notes:

- (1) Unless otherwise noted, the persons referred to above have sole investment power.
- This information is based on 17,939,786 Ordinary Shares outstanding as of March 24, 2004, outstanding warrants to purchase 843,234 Ordinary Shares as of March 24, 2004, which warrants are exercisable on or before May 30, 2004 and outstanding options to purchase 2,729,752 Ordinary Shares, which options are exercisable on or before May 30, 2004.
- (3) Includes warrants to purchase 500,000 Ordinary Shares, which warrants are exercisable on or before May 30, 2004.
- (4) Includes 888,140 ADSs held by Smith Barney Fund Management Inc. and 28,565 ADSs held by Citigroup Global Markets Inc. (formerly known as Salomon Smith Barney Inc.), which are subsidiaries of Citigroup Inc. and therefore Citigroup Inc. may be deemed to be the beneficial owners of these securities. The Smith Barney Fundamental Value Fund is a mutual fund controlled by Citigroup Inc.

(5) Includes 657,995 ADSs of which Simon and Clara Kukes are joint registered holders.
Since January 1, 2003, Elan s percentage of our outstanding Ordinary Shares (including Ordinary Shares that were issuable upon exercise of Preference Shares) has decreased from a high of 39.31% to the current 23.41% as we have issued more shares as the result of:
a private placement of Ordinary Shares in January, 2003; and
issuances of Ordinary Shares related to Ordinary Share option exercises;
the conversion of 2,000,000 Preference Shares held by Elan into 2,000,000 Ordinary Shares in February 2003.
Since March 31, 2003, following Elan s most recent conversion of 2,000,000 Preference Shares into 2,000,000 Ordinary Shares, we have had no Preference Shares outstanding.
Essex Woodlands Health Ventures Fund V, LP acquired its entire shareholding as part of its participation in the private placement of 6,093,728 Ordinary Shares on January 17, 2003.
None of the above shareholders has voting rights that differ from those of our other shareholders.
The total number of ADSs outstanding as of March 24, 2004 was 17,401,163. The ADSs represented approximately 96.9% of the issued and outstanding Ordinary Shares as of such date. As at March 24, 2004, to the best of our knowledge, we estimate that US shareholders constituted approximately 67% of the holders of our Ordinary Shares and approximately 69% of the beneficial holders of our ADSs.
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## **B.** Related Party Transactions

During the year ended December 31, 2003, and subsequent to the year-end, we entered into certain contracts, and amended the terms of certain contracts, with Elan, which is a significant shareholder. Our directors consider that transactions with Elan have been entered into on an arms length basis. Details of transactions involving Elan are given below.

During 2003 our debt obligations, and in particular our short term debt obligations, to Elan led to our seeking a number of renegotiations, reductions and extensions of the Elan debt to provide us with sufficient time to realize assets in an orderly fashion to meet payments to Elan and to maximize shareholder value. As of January 1, 2003 our obligations to Elan comprised approximately \$49 million of outstanding debt and \$27.5 million of deferred payment obligations.

In conjunction with the closing of our private placement on January 27, 2003, we restructured certain of the debt and milestone payments then due or potentially due to Elan. We paid \$2,459,880 in cash out of our cash reserves to Elan as interest accrued on our loan from Elan to January 16, 2003. Our loan agreement with Elan was varied so that the instalments of the loan were rescheduled as follows: \$10 million due and payable on September 30, 2003, together with accrued interest, became due and payable on September 30, 2004; and \$15 million due and payable on September 30, 2004, together with accrued interest, became due and payable on September 30, 2005. In accordance with the terms of the loan agreement, on January 16, 2003 we paid \$17.5 million to Elan that was previously due on December 31, 2002.

The Amended and Restated Distribution and Option Agreement, dated September 28, 2001, between Elan and us (relating to Permax, a product to which we had rights at such time) was amended so that the deferred consideration for Permax payable by way of quarterly instalments of \$2.5 million was reduced by \$7.5 million. We paid \$8,641,387 to Elan in discharge of the then-outstanding balance relating to Permax inventory, royalties and a \$2.5 million quarterly instalment of deferred consideration.

The option agreement dated June 18, 2001 and made between us and Elan (relating to Zelapar, a product to which we had rights at such time) was amended so that the first sales milestone payable by us to Elan became \$17.5 million rather than \$12.5 million. We also agreed to pay approved reasonable and verifiable out-of-pocket costs incurred by Elan after December 31, 2002 in respect of any further development costs incurred for Zelapar. One-half of our or Elan s out of pocket costs paid by us under this arrangement were to be credited (up to \$5 million) against the \$17.5 million first milestone payable under the option agreement. The option agreement was further varied so that Elan was entitled to reclaim the rights to Zelapar where such rights have been previously transferred to us if we either materially breached the terms of any agreement between us and Elan and we failed to remedy such breach within 90 days of receiving written notice of such breach, or became insolvent. The option agreement was also varied so that we were at liberty to defer \$8 million of the \$10 million payable by us on closing of the option to a period not later than the later of the exercise of the option and September 30, 2003. In consideration of such deferral, we were obligated to pay \$2.25 million to Elan upon closing of the option to make a total option payment of \$10.25 million rather than \$10 million as had previously been the case. Alternatively, we could elect to pay \$10 million on closing of the option as had previously been the case.

As part of the restructuring of our obligations to Elan in January 2003, we undertook to use our commercial best efforts to sell all or substantially all of the primary care portfolio and/or Amarin Development AB, our Swedish research and development subsidiary, for upfront cash consideration of a reasonable sum and as expeditiously as reasonably practicable, and to apply the proceeds, if any, from these asset disposals to reduce our payment obligations to Elan, with any remaining proceeds used to fund our core business.

In August 2003 we agreed with Elan as part of a comprehensive settlement of our debt obligations to Elan:

to pay \$30 million in cash no later than December 31, 2003;

to pay \$10 million in equity when Zelapar annual sales reach \$20 million.

to continue to pay a 12.5% royalty on future sales of Zelapar; and

in the event that we raised funds in excess of \$40 million from the disposal of non-core assets and/or financing, we agreed to use half the excess to reduce the existing Zelapar royalty of 12.5% at the rate of one-half of one percent for each \$1 million per half of 1%, up to a maximum of 5%.

In consideration for the foregoing, Elan agreed to:

a moratorium on debt and interest payments until December 31, 2003;

full and final settlement of all debt and deferred payments due to Elan (the then-current amount of which was \$46.5 million); and

elimination of existing option and milestone payments relating to Zelapar.

In connection with this agreement we granted to Elan a fixed and floating charge over all of our assets, to be reduced to \$5 million upon payment of the \$30 million no later than the year-end.

In December 2003 the Company agreed with Elan that, if the \$30 million minimum payment was not made by December 31, 2003, the present year-end deadline for debt repayment would be extended to March 31, 2004 in consideration of the payment to Elan of interest (calculated at 1% per month on the outstanding balance) and a one-off payment to Elan of \$1.5 million. Elan also agreed that the Company could retain a further \$2 million per month for the first three months of 2004 from the net proceeds from the sale of ADAB in order to fund the Company s operating deficit through the first quarter of 2004. Draw down of these funds was subject to the Company demonstrating to Elan s satisfaction that the Company has a reasonable prospect of consummating a transaction to settle the Elan debt by March 31, 2004.

Simultaneously with the closing of our asset purchase agreement with Valeant, we reached a full and final agreement with Elan regarding the settlement of our renegotiated outstanding financial obligations. Under the terms of this agreement with Elan the amount (\$24.4 million) then required to discharge our obligations to Elan was amended so that we would pay Elan approximately \$17.2 million in cash on closing of the Valeant transaction, plus a further payment of \$1 million on the successful completion of the Zelapar safety trials to discharge these obligations.

We also agreed to issue a \$5 million 5-year loan note to Elan with capital repayment as follows:

\$1.5 million in January 2006;

\$1.5 million in July 2007; and

\$2 million in January 2009.

At Elan s option, the loan note can be repaid from proceeds Amarin receives from a \$5 million milestone payable by Valeant Pharmaceuticals International on the NDA approval of Zelapar. The loan note is also prepayable by us at any time, subject to a prepayment fee of \$250,000, and carries an interest rate of 8% per annum.

Additionally we agreed to issue 500,000 warrants to Elan priced at the average market closing price for our Ordinary Shares for the 30-day period prior to closing. As a result, Elan s fully diluted ownership in Amarin increased from 25.9% to 28.0%.

We closed the Valeant transaction on February 25, 2004. From the proceeds of this sale we made a payment to Elan of approximately \$17.2 million in partial payment of outstanding indebtness and entered into the various agreements and instruments set out above.

C.	Interests of Experts and Counsel
Not app	licable.
Item 8	Financial Information
<b>A.</b>	Consolidated Statements and Other Financial Information
See our	consolidated financial statements beginning at page F-1.
Legal P	roceedings
Permax	Litigation
insert for not been product	002, Lilly as the holder of the NDA for Permax, received a recommendation from the FDA to consider making a change to the package or Permax based upon the very rare observance (less than 0.01%) of cardiac valvulopathy in patients taking Permax. While Permax has a definitely proven as the cause of this condition, similar reports have been noted in patients taking other ergot-derived pharmaceutical s, of which Permax is an example. In early 2003, Lilly amended the package insert for Permax to reflect the risk of cardiac valvulopathy attacking Permax and also sent a letter to a number of US doctors describing
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this potential risk. During 2003 and there have been less than 20 cases of VHD allegedly associated with Permax observed by Lilly, and only 3 have been pursued actively. Two of the three have been settled by mediation; the third remains an open lawsuit pending in Texas. There are 4 additional possible claims identified to Lilly and so far not pursued. Causation is not established but is consistent with other fibrotic side effects observed in Permax. The claims have been made against Lilly and our former subsidiary, Amarin Pharmaceuticals Inc. (API). API conducted all sales and marketing activities with respect to such product.

Upon closing arrangements on the sale of API to Valeant the Company agreed, without any admission of liability, to pay Lilly \$100,000 in respect of Lilly s costs and expenses to date incurred in handling the Permax cases. Additionally, Valeant and Lilly have agreed to apportion liability as between the two of them in respect of any new product liability claims in respect of Permax. Although we have not retained any liabilities of API in this regard, we cannot predict whether any future claimants will seek to impose liability on the Company on a theory of strict liability.

We cannot predict whether litigation will follow, or the outcome of any such litigation. To date no legal or arbitration proceedings have been commenced against Amarin Corporation plc in respect of Permax.

#### Ivax

As a part of consummating our option rights in the transaction for Permax with Elan, we assumed the lead role in patent litigation brought by Elan in July 2001 against Ivax Corporation. In this case, Elan asserted the violation of two patents which it held as the exclusive US licensee of Lilly. Under the terms of a settlement agreement with Ivax in May 2003, Amarin and Lilly granted to Ivax a non-exclusive sublicense in the U.S. under the two patents at issue, beginning September 2, 2003, and continuing for the remaining life of the patents. In return, Ivax will make royalty payments to the Company to be shared between Amarin and Lilly, from the first six months gross profit (net sales less cost of goods sold) from sales of any Ivax pergolide product under its Abbreviated New Drug Application (ANDA) for pergolide products, once approved by FDA.

#### Other

We are not a party to any other legal or arbitration proceedings that may have, or have had in the recent past, significant effects on our financial position or profitability. No governmental proceedings are pending or, to our knowledge, contemplated against us. We are not a party to any material proceeding in which any director, member of senior management or affiliate of ours is either a party adverse to us or our subsidiaries or has a material interest adverse to us or our subsidiaries.

#### Policy on Dividend Distributions

We have never paid dividends on the Ordinary Shares and do not anticipate paying any cash dividends on the Ordinary Shares in the foreseeable future. Under English law, any payment of dividends would be subject to the UK Companies Act 1985, which requires that all dividends must be approved by our board of directors and, in some cases, our shareholders, and may only be paid from our distributable profits and only to the

extent we have retained earnings, in each case determined on an unconsolidated basis. See Item 10 Additional Information Memorandum and Articles of Association Description of Ordinary Shares Dividends.

## **B.** Significant Changes

Except as otherwise disclosed in this annual report in regard to the sale of our US subsidiary and certain assets, and the restructuring of our indebtedness to Elan, there has been no material change in our financial position since December 31, 2003.

## **Item 9 The Offer and Listing**

### A. Offer and Listing Details

The following table sets forth the range of high and low closing sale prices for our ADSs for the periods indicated, as reported by the Nasdaq National Market. These prices do not include retail mark-ups, markdowns, or commissions but give effect to a change in the number of Ordinary Shares represented by each ADS, implemented in both October 1998 and July 2002. Historical data in the table has been restated to take into account these changes.

	US\$ High	US\$ Low
Fiscal Year Ended		
December 31, 1999	12.75	1.00
December 31, 2000	8.50	3.75
December 31, 2001	27.97	5.00
December 31, 2002	21.00	2.76
December 31, 2003	4.81	1.39
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2002		
First Quarter	21.00	12.18
Second Quarter	13.67	7.30
Third Quarter	8.55	2.76
Fourth Quarter	5.80	2.89
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2003		
First Quarter	4.13	2.46
Second Quarter	4.81	2.57
Third Quarter	3.37	2.25
Fourth Quarter	2.83	1.39
Quarter Ended March 31, 2004 (through March 24, 2004)	3.50	1.35
September 2003	3.11	2.36
October 2003	2.83	2.63
November 2003	2.79	2.20
December 2003	2.39	1.39
January 2004	3.50	1.48
February 2004	2.35	1.62

On March, 24 2004, the closing price of our ADSs as reported on the Nasdaq National Market was US\$1.35 per ADS.

В.	Plan of Distribution
No	at applicable.
C.	Markets
	r ADSs, which are evidenced by American Depositary Receipts, are traded on the Nasdaq National Market, the principal trading market for recurrities, under the symbol AMRN. There is no public trading market for our Ordinary Shares. Each ADS represents one Ordinary Shares.
D.	Selling Shareholders
No	at applicable.
Е.	Dilution
No	at applicable.
F.	Expenses of the Issue
No	t applicable.
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Item 10 Additional Information
A. Share Capital
Not applicable.
B. Memorandum and Articles of Association
Objects and Purposes
We were formed as a private limited company under the Companies Act 1985 and reregistered as a public limited company on March 19, 1990 under registered number 02353920. Under article 4 of our memorandum of association, our objects are to carry on the business of a holding company and to carry on any other business in connection therewith as determined by the board of directors.
Directors
Directors Interests
A director may serve as an officer or director of, or otherwise have an interest in, any company in which we have an interest. A director may note (or be counted in the quorum) on any resolution concerning his appointment to any office or any position from which he may profit, either with us or any other company in which we have an interest. A director is not prohibited from entering into transactions with us in which he has an interest, provided that all material facts regarding the interest are disclosed to the board of directors.
A director is not entitled to vote (or be counted in the quorum) on any resolution relating to a transaction in which he has an interest which he knows is material. However, this prohibition does not apply to any of the following matters:

he or any other person receives a security or indemnity in respect of money lent or obligations incurred by him or

any other person at the request of or for the benefit of us or any of our subsidiaries;

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a security is given to a third party in respect of a debt or obligation of us or any of our subsidiaries which he has himself guaranteed or secured in whole or in part;
a contract or arrangement concerning an offer or invitation for our shares, debentures or other securities or those of any of our subsidiaries, if he subscribes as a holder of securities or if he underwrites or sub-underwrites in the offer;
a contract or arrangement in which he is interested by virtue of his interest in our shares, debentures or other securities or by reason of any interest in or through us;
a contract or arrangement concerning any other company (not being a company in which he owns 1% or more) in which he is interested directly or indirectly whether as an officer, shareholder, creditor or otherwise;
a proposal concerning the adoption, modification or operation of a pension fund or retirement, death or disability benefits scheme for both our directors and employees and those of any of our subsidiaries which does not give him, as a director, any privilege or advantage not accorded to the employees to whom the scheme or fund relates;
an arrangement for the benefit of our employees or those of any of our subsidiaries which does not give him any privilege or advantage not generally available to the employees to whom the arrangement relates; and
insurance which we propose to maintain or purchase for the benefit of directors or for the benefit of persons including directors.
Compensation of Directors
Each director is to be paid a fee at such rate as may from time to time be determined by the board of directors and which shall not exceed £200,000 per annum or such higher amount determined by us. Any director who, at our request, goes or resides abroad for any purposes or services which in the opinion of the board of directors go beyond the ordinary duties of a director, may be paid such extra

remuneration (whether by way of salary, commission, participation in profits or otherwise) as the board of directors may determine.
Any executive director will receive such remuneration (whether by way of salary, commission, participation in profits or otherwise) as the board of directors or, where there is a committee constituted for the purpose, such committee may determine, and either in addition to or in lieu of his remuneration as a director.
Borrowing Powers of Directors
The board of directors has the authority to exercise all of our powers to borrow money and issue debt securities. If at any time our securities should be listed on the Official List of the London Stock Exchange, our total indebtedness (on a consolidated basis) would be subject to a limitation of three times the total of paid up share capital and consolidated reserves.
Retirement of Directors
At every annual general meeting, one-third of the directors must retire from office. In determining which directors shall retire and stand, or not stand, for re-election, first, we include any director who chooses to retire and not face re-election and, second, we choose the directors who have served as directors for the longest period of time since their last election. A director who has elected to retire is not eligible for re-election. There is no age limit or requirement that directors retire at a specified age. However, if a director proposed for election or re-election has attained the age of 70, this fact must be disclosed in the notice of the meeting. Directors are not required to hold our securities.
Description of Ordinary Shares
Our authorized share capital is £100,000,000 divided into 95,000,000 Ordinary Shares and 5,000,000 Preference Shares. In the following summary, a shareholder is the person registered in our register of members as the holder of the relevant securities. For those Ordinary Shares that have been deposited in our American Depositary Receipt facility pursuant to our deposit agreement with Citibank N.A., Citibank or its nominee is deemed the shareholder.
Dividends
Holders of Ordinary Shares are entitled to receive such dividends as may be declared by the board of directors. All dividends are declared and paid according to the amounts paid up on the shares in respect of which the dividend is paid. To date there have been no dividends paid to holders of Ordinary Shares.

Any dividend unclaimed after a period of twelve years from the date of declaration of such dividend shall be forfeited and shall revert to us. In

addition, the payment by the board of directors of any unclaimed dividend, interest or other sum payable on or in respect of an Ordinary Share or a Preference Share into a separate account shall not constitute us as a trustee in respect thereof.
Rights in a Liquidation
Holders of Ordinary Shares are entitled to participate in any distribution of assets upon a liquidation, subject to prior satisfaction of the claims of creditors and preferential payments to holders of outstanding Preference Shares.
Voting Rights
Voting at any general meeting of shareholders is by a show of hands, unless a poll is demanded. A poll may be demanded by:
the chairman of the meeting;
at least two shareholders entitled to vote at the meeting;
any shareholder or shareholders representing in the aggregate not less than one-tenth of the total voting rights of all shareholders entitled to vote at the meeting; or
any shareholder or shareholders holding shares conferring a right to vote at the meeting on which there have been paid up sumsin the aggregate equal to not less than one-tenth of the total sum paid up on all the shares conferring that right.
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In a vote by a show of hands, every shareholder who is present in person at a general meeting has one vote. In a vote on a poll, every shareholder who is present in person or by proxy shall have one vote for every share of which they are registered as the holder. The quorum for a shareholders meeting is a minimum of two persons, present in person or by proxy. To the extent the articles of association provide for a vote by a show of hands in which each shareholder has one vote, this differs from US law, under which each shareholder typically is entitled to one vote per share at all meetings.

Holders of ADSs are also entitled to vote by supplying their voting instructions to Citibank who will vote the Ordinary Shares represented by their ADSs in accordance with their instructions. The ability of Citibank to carry out voting instructions may be limited by practical and legal limitations, the terms of our articles and memorandum of association, and the terms of the Ordinary Shares on deposit. We cannot assure the holders of our ADSs that they will receive voting materials in time to enable them to return voting instructions to Citibank a timely manner.

Unless otherwise required by law or the articles of association, voting in a general meeting is by ordinary resolution. An ordinary resolution is approved by a majority vote of the shareholders present at a meeting at which there is a quorum. Examples of matters that can be approved by an ordinary resolution include:

the election of directors;

the approval of financial statements;

the declaration of final dividends;

the appointment of auditors;

the increase of authorized share capital; or

the grant of authority to issue shares.

A special resolution or an extraordinary resolution requires the affirmative vote of not less than three-fourths of the eligible votes. Examples of matters that must be approved by a special resolution include modifications to the rights of any class of shares, certain changes to the memorandum or articles of association, or our winding-up.

The board of directors has the authority to make calls upon the shareholders in respect of any money unpaid on their shares and each shareholder shall pay to us as required by such notice the amount called on his shares. If a call remains unpaid after it has become due and payable, and the fourteen days notice provided by the board of directors has not been complied with, any share in respect of which such notice was given, may be forfeited by a resolution of the board.

#### **Preference Shares**

The Preference Shares confer upon the holder the right to receive a fixed cumulative preferential dividend at the rate of 3% per annum and rank as to dividends in priority to any other shares issued by us. Each Preference Share is convertible into one Ordinary Share. The holders may not exercise the conversion rights for a period of two years following issuance, except with our approval. Holders of the Preference Shares are entitled to attend our general meetings and to vote in certain limited circumstances. Any dividend unclaimed after a period of twelve years from the date of declaration of such dividend shall be forfeited and shall revert to us.

Upon our winding-up or otherwise, the Preference Shares shall rank in priority to any other shares for the time being in issue as regards the order of participation in our profits and assets. The assets available for distribution will be applied in repaying to the holders of the Preference Shares the amounts paid up on such Preference Shares including any premium paid or deemed paid thereon together with any applicable arrears and accruals of the fixed cumulative preferential dividend. If we decide our winding-up while any of the Preference Shares remain capable of conversion, any holder of the Preference Shares is entitled to request to be treated as if his conversion rights had been exercised on the date immediately before the operative date at the rate then applicable and to be paid a sum equal to the amount to which he would have become entitled in such winding-up if he had been the holder of such Ordinary Shares to which he would have become entitled by virtue of such conversion.

#### Pre-emptive Rights

English law provides that shareholders have pre-emptive rights to subscribe to any issuances of equity securities that are or will be paid wholly in cash. These rights may be waived by a special resolution of the shareholders, either generally or in specific instances, for a period not exceeding five years. This differs from US law, under which shareholders generally do not have pre-emptive rights unless specifically granted in the certificate of incorporation or otherwise. Pursuant to resolutions passed at our annual general meeting on 25 July 2003, our directors are duly authorized during the period ending on 25 July 2008 to exercise all of our powers to allot our securities and to make any offer or agreement which would or might require such securities to be allotted after that date. The aggregate nominal amount of the relevant securities that may be allotted under the authority cannot exceed £77,068,114 (equivalent to 77,068,114 Ordinary Shares). Under these resolutions we are empowered to allot such Ordinary Shares as if English statutory pre-emption rights did not apply to such issuance and, therefore, without first offering such Ordinary Shares to our existing shareholders.

#### **Redemption Provisions**

Subject to the UK Companies Act of 1985 and with the sanction of a special resolution, shares in us may be issued with terms that provide for mandatory or optional redemption. The terms and manner of redemption would be provided for by the alteration of our articles of association.

Subject to the UK Companies Act of 1985, we may also purchase in any manner the board of directors considers appropriate any of our own Ordinary Shares, Preference Shares or any other shares of any class (including redeemable shares) at any price.

#### Variation of Rights

If at any time our share capital is divided into different classes of shares, the rights of any class may be varied or abrogated with the written consent of the holders of not less than 75% of the issued shares of the class, or pursuant to an extraordinary resolution passed at a separate meeting of the holders of the shares of that class. At any such separate meeting the quorum shall be a minimum of two persons holding or representing by proxy one-third in nominal amount of the issued shares of the class, unless such separate meeting is adjourned, in which case the quorum at such adjourned meeting or any further adjourned meeting shall be one person. Each holder of shares of that class has one vote per share at such meetings.

#### Meetings of Shareholders

The board of directors may call general meetings and general meetings may also be called on the requisition of our shareholders representing at least one tenth of the voting rights in general meeting pursuant to section 368 of the UK Companies Act 1985. Annual general meetings are convened upon advance notice of 21 days. Extraordinary general meetings are convened upon advance notice of 21 days or fourteen days depending on the nature of the business to be transacted.

Citibank will mail to the holders of ADSs any notice of shareholders meeting received from us, together with a statement that holders will be entitled to instruct Citibank to exercise the voting rights of the Ordinary Shares represented by ADSs and information explaining how to give such instructions.

#### Limitations on Ownership

There are currently no UK foreign exchange controls on the payment of dividends on our Ordinary Shares or the conduct of our operations. There are no restrictions under our memorandum and articles of association or under English law that limit the right of non-resident or foreign owners to hold or vote our Ordinary Shares, Preference Shares or ADSs.

#### Change of Control

Save as expressly permitted by the UK Companies Act of 1985, we shall not give financial assistance, whether directly or indirectly, for the purposes of the acquisition of any of our shares or for reducing or discharging any liability incurred for the purpose of such acquisition.

If an offer is made to acquire more than half of our issued Ordinary Share capital and such offer has been recommended by the

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board, we will use reasonable endeavours to procure that a like offer is extended to the holders of the Preference Shares and that such offer remains open for not less than the acceptance period open to the holders of Ordinary Shares to enable the holders of Preference Shares to convert any or all of their Preference Shares and accept the offer if they wish to do so.

#### Disclosure of Interests

Under English Law, any person who acquires an equity interest above a notifiable percentage must disclose certain information to us regarding the person s shares. The applicable threshold is currently 3%. The disclosure requirement applies to both persons acting alone or, in certain circumstances, with others. After a person s holdings exceed the notifiable level, similar notifications must be made when the ownership percentage figure increases or decreases by a whole number.

In addition, Section 212 of the UK Companies Act of 1985 gives us the authority to require certain disclosure regarding an equity interest if we know, or have reasonable cause to believe, that the shareholder is interested or has within the previous three years been interested in our share capital. Failure to supply the information required may lead to disenfranchisement under our articles of association of the relevant shares and a prohibition on their transfer and on dividend or other payments. Under the deposit agreement with Citibank pursuant to which the ADRs have been issued, a failure to provide certain information pursuant to a similar request may result in the forfeiture by the holder of the ADRs of rights to direct the voting of the Ordinary Shares underlying the ADSs and to exercise certain other rights with respect to the Ordinary Shares. The foregoing provisions differ from US law, which typically does not impose disclosure requirements on shareholders.

#### **C.** Material Contracts

During the two years prior to the date of this annual report, we entered into the following material contracts outside of the ordinary course of business. Copies of these agreements are filed as exhibits to this annual report.

Subscription Agreement and Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of January 27, 2003, by and among us and the investors named therein. On January 27, 2003 we entered into a number of subscription and registration rights agreements relating to a private placement of 6,093,728 Ordinary Shares with a group of accredited investors and management, raising gross proceeds to us of approximately \$21.2 million.

In connection with the private placement, we signed an agreement letter, dated October 21, 2002, with Security Research Associates, Inc. Pursuant to this agreement, we appointed SRA as financial advisor and non-exclusive placement agent for the private placement, and agreed to pay to SRA commissions equal to 7% of the gross proceeds received from investors introduced by SRA to us plus five year warrants to acquire a certain number of our Ordinary Shares. On March 19, 2003, we entered into Warrant Agreements with designees of SRA to acquire a total of 313,234 Ordinary Shares at an exercise price of \$3.4785 per Ordinary Share. The warrants are not exercisable before January 27, 2004 and expire no later than January 26, 2008.

Amended and Restated License and Supply Agreement, dated March 29, 2002 between Eli Lilly and Company and us. Pursuant to this agreement, Lilly has agreed to grant to us an exclusive paid-up license to market and distribute Permax in the US. We are obligated to purchase from Lilly all of our Permax requirements at a price specified in the agreement. See Item 7 Major Shareholders and Related Party Transactions Related Party Transactions.

Master Agreement, dated January 27, 2003, between us and certain members of the Elan group of companies. The parties agreed to amend the Permax option agreement, the Zelapar option agreement and the loan agreement. We have also agreed to apply the proceeds resulting from the private placement in the manner set out in this agreement and to use our commercial best efforts (subject to the fiduciary obligations of our board of directors) to sell certain of our assets and to apply the net proceeds from such sales in the manner set out in this agreement. See Item 7 Major Shareholders and Related Party Transactions Related Party Transactions.

In connection with the master agreement, we, Elan International Services Ltd. and Monksland Holdings BV entered into an Agreement, dated January 27, 2003, relating to the conversion of Preference Shares and certain restrictions on dealing. The same parties also entered into Amendment No. 1 to Registration Rights Agreement and Waiver, dated January 27, 2003, amending the Registration Rights Agreement, dated October 21, 1998 between us and Monksland. Pursuant to these agreements, among other things, Elan converted 2,000,000 Preference Shares into 2,000,000 Ordinary Shares. See Item 7 Major Shareholders and Related Party Transactions Related Party Transactions.

Share Subscription and Purchase Agreement dated October 28, 2003 with Watson Pharmaceuticals, Inc. providing for the sale of Amarin Development AB (ADAB), our Swedish drug development subsidiary. Under the terms of the sale agreement Watson agreed to pay us approximately \$15 million in cash for the stock of ADAB and to settle inter-company debts owed by ADAB to the Company. See Item 4A History and Development of the Company.

Asset Purchase Agreement dated February 11, 2004 with Valeant Pharmaceuticals International, and Amendment No. 1 thereto dated February 25, 2004, which together provide for the sale to Valeant of our US subsidiary, Amarin Pharmaceuticals, Inc., and our rights to Permax, Zelapar and the primary care portfolio at a purchase price of \$38 million paid at closing and \$8 million in contingent milestone payments. See Item 4A History and Development of the Company.

In connection with the Asset Purchase Agreement with Valeant, Amarin entered into a Development Agreement dated February 25, 2003 pursuant to which Amarin is responsible for the implementation of certain clinical studies relating to Zelapar. Amarin is not required to incur more than an aggregate of \$2.5 million in costs in performing its obligations under this agreement, and Valeant Pharmaceuticals International has agreed to pay all costs and expenses incurred by Amarin thereunder in excess of \$2.5 million. See Item 4A History and Development of the Company.

Settlement Agreement dated 25th February 2004, 2004 with Elan and certain affiliates thereof, providing for the restructuring of all of Amarin s outstanding obligations to Elan. In connection with the Settlement Agreement, Amarin issued notes in the aggregate principal amount of \$5 million, bearing interest at 8% per annum with a maturity date of 25<sup>th</sup> February 2009. Also in connection with the Settlement Agreement, Amarin issued a warrant exercisable for 500,000 Ordinary Shares. See Item 7 Major Shareholders and Related Party Transactions Related Party Transactions and Item 4A History and Development of the Company.

Amended and Restated Master Agreement dated 4th August 2003 with Elan and certain affiliates thereof. Pursuant to this agreement Amarin s obligation to pay principal and interest in respect of its outstanding indebtedness to Elan, as well as its obligation with respect to deferred purchase payments in connection with the acquisition of Permax rights, were deferred until December 31, 2003, subject to the conditions set out in the Master Agreement including Amarin s continuing obligation to apply at least 90% of the net proceeds of any sale of its Swedish business or legacy products or any equity financing in the manner set out in the agreement. Amarin also agreed that if such net proceeds exceed \$40 million, half of the amount remaining after repayment of the Elan indebtedness would be paid to Elan in consideration of a reduction of royalties payable by Amarin under its Zelapar development agreement. See Item 7 Major Shareholders and Related Party Transactions Related Party Transactions and Item 4A History and Development of the Company.

In connection with the Amended and Restated Master Agreement of August 4, 2003, Amarin entered into the following agreements: (i) Amended and Restated Option Agreement with EPIL dated August 4, 2003, which required Amarin to pay a milestone of \$10 million in Ordinary Shares after net sales of Zelapar reached \$20 million for any 12 month period, as well as royalties of 12.5% on net sales of Zelapar; (ii) Deed of Variation No. 2, dated August 4, 2003, to the Amended and Restated Distribution, Marketing and Option Agreement with Elan, which restructured Amarin s payment obligations relating to Permax; (iii) Deed of Variation No. 4, dated August 4, 2003, to the Loan Agreement dated 28 September 2001 between Amarin and Elan Pharma International Limited (EPIL), under which the repayment schedule for Amarin s indebtedness to EPIL was restructured; and (iv) Amendment Agreement No. 1, dated August 4, 2003, to the Amended and Restated Asset Purchase Agreement with Elan, which restructured Amarin s obligation to make deferred payments in connection with its purchase of certain assets from Elan in 1999. The Amended and Restated Master Agreement and the related agreements described in this paragraph are no longer in effect, and have either been assumed by Valeant Pharmaceuticals International as a result of its acquisition of rights to Permax and Zelapar, or superseded as a result of the February 25, 2003 Settlement Agreement with Elan and the related agreements described above.

Amendment Agreement dated December 23, 2003, between the Company and Elan and certain affiliates thereof. This agreement amended the Amended and Restated Master Agreement of August 4, 2003 by extending from December 31, 2003 to March 31, 2004 the deadline for repayment of Amarin s obligations to Elan, subject to the incurrence of additional indebtedness of \$1.5 million if repayment extended beyond the original December 31 date. The Company and Elan Pharmaceuticals, Inc. also entered into a Bridging Loan Agreement dated December 23, 2003 pursuant to which Amarin could borrow up to \$6 million from Elan Pharmaceuticals in three monthly tranches of \$2 million each. No interest would accrue on outstanding amounts until March 31, 2004, with the rate thereafter to be at LIBOR plus 5 per cent per annum. The foregoing agreements are no longer in effect and have been superseded as a result of the February 25, 2003 Settlement Agreement with Elan and the related agreements described above.

In connection with the Amended and Restated Master Agreement dated August 4, 2003, Amarin also entered into a Debenture of the same date in favor of Elan as trustee, granting Elan a charge over certain property and rights as set out therein. The Debenture

was amended pursuant to a Debenture Amendment Agreement dated December 23, 2003, which amendment reflected the extension of Amarin s payment obligations pursuant to the Amended and Restated Master Agreement of the same date. The Debenture was further amended pursuant to Debenture Amendment Agreement No. 2 dated February 25, 2004, which amendment reflected the restructuring of Amarin s debt obligations pursuant to the Settlement Agreement of the same date.

Agreement dated December 23, 2003 between the Company and Elan Pharma International Limited, amending the Amended and Restated Option Agreement relating to Zelapar. This agreement Amarin set forth the terms pursuant to which the Company agreed to be responsible for the continued development of Zelapar. This agreement is no longer in effect and has been superseded as a result of the asset sale to Valeant Pharmaceuticals International.

Inventory Buy Back Agreement dated March 18, 2004 between the Company and Swiftwater Group plc, pursuant to which Swiftwater agreed to assist the Company in effecting the repurchase of product inventory as required pursuant to the Asset Purchase Agreement with Valeant Pharmaceuticals International. Swiftwater s fee for such services is payable by Valeant.

## D. Exchange Controls

There are currently no English laws, decrees, regulations or other legislation that may affect the export or import of capital, including the availability of cash and cash equivalents for use by the Company, or that affect the remittance of dividends, interest or other payments to non-UK resident holders of Ordinary Shares or ADSs.

#### E. Taxation

#### **UK Tax Matters**

The following statements are intended only as a general guide to the UK tax consequences of the acquisition, ownership and disposition of our Ordinary Shares including shares represented by ADSs evidenced by American Depositary Receipts. This summary applies to you only if you are a beneficial owner of Ordinary Shares or ADSs and you are:

an individual citizen or resident of the US;

a corporation organized under the laws of the US or any state thereof or the District of Columbia; or

otherwise subject to US federal income tax on a net income basis in respect of the Ordinary Shares or ADSs.

This summary applies only to holders who will hold our Ordinary Shares or ADSs as capital assets. This summary is based:

upon current UK tax law and UK Inland Revenue practice and which may be subject to change, perhaps with retroactive effect; and

in part upon representations of Citibank, N.A., as depositary, and assumes that each obligation provided for in or otherwise contemplated by the deposit agreement between us and Citibank and any related agreement will be performed in accordance with its respective terms.

The following summary is of a general nature and does not address all of the tax consequences that may be relevant to you in light of your particular situation. For example, this summary does not apply to US expatriates, insurance companies, investment companies, tax-exempt organizations, financial institutions, dealers in securities, broker-dealers, investors that use a mark-to-market accounting method, holders who hold ADSs or Ordinary Shares as part of hedging, straddle or conversion transactions or holders who own directly, indirectly or by attribution, 10% or more of the voting power of our issued share capital.

In addition, the following summary of UK tax considerations does not, except where indicated otherwise, apply to you if:

you are resident or, in the case of an individual, ordinarily resident in the UK for UK tax purposes;

your holding of ADSs or shares is effectively connected with a permanent establishment in the UK through which you carry on business activities or, in the case of an individual who performs independent personal services, with a fixed base situated therein; or

you are a corporation which, alone or together with one or more associated corporations, controls, directly or indirectly, 10% or more of our issued voting share capital.

You should consult your own tax advisers as to the particular tax consequences to you under UK, US federal, state and local and other foreign laws, of the acquisition, ownership and disposition of ADSs or Ordinary Shares.

Taxation of Dividends and Distributions

Under current UK taxation legislation, no tax will be withheld by us at source from cash dividend payments. A holder of Ordinary Shares or ADSs should consult his own tax adviser concerning his tax liabilities on dividends received from us.

UK Taxation of Capital Gains

You will not ordinarily be liable for UK tax on capital gains realized on the disposal of Ordinary Shares or ADSs, unless, at the time of the disposal, you carry on a trade, including a profession or vocation, in the UK through a branch or agency and those Ordinary Shares or ADSs are, or have been, held or acquired for the purposes of that trade or branch or agency.

A holder of Ordinary Shares or ADSs who is an individual and who has on or after March 17, 1998 ceased to be resident or ordinarily resident for tax purposes in the UK, but who again becomes resident or ordinarily resident in the UK within a period of less than five years and who disposes of Ordinary Shares or ADSs during that period may also be subject to UK tax on capital gains, notwithstanding that he is not resident or ordinarily resident in the UK at the time of the disposal.

It should be noted that final draft legislation has been published which specifies that certain disposals of assets (which could include the Ordinary Shares and ADSs) will give rise to chargeable gains that are to be included in the computation of the profits of a non-UK resident company. The provisions will only apply where the disposal is made while the non-UK resident company is carrying on a trade in the UK through a permanent establishment (as defined by the final draft legislation) in the UK. The legislation is intended to apply to foreign companies accounting periods starting on or after January 1, 2003.

UK Inheritance Tax

Ordinary Shares or ADSs beneficially owned by an individual may be subject to UK inheritance tax on the death of the individual or, in some circumstances, if the Ordinary Shares or ADSs are the subject of a gift, including a transfer at less than full market value, by that individual (and particular rules apply to gifts where the donor reserves or retains some benefit). Inheritance tax is not generally chargeable on gifts to individuals or on some types of settlement made more than seven years before the death of the donor. Special rules apply to close companies and to trustees of settlement who hold Ordinary Shares or ADSs. Holders of Ordinary Shares or ADSs should consult an appropriate professional adviser if they make a gift of any kind or intend to hold any Ordinary Shares or ADSs through trust arrangements.

UK Stamp Duty and Stamp Duty Reserve Tax

UK stamp duty will (subject to specific exceptions) be payable at the rate of 1.5% (rounded up to the nearest £5) of the value of shares in registered form on any instrument pursuant to which shares are transferred:

to, or to a nominee or agent for, a person whose business is or includes the provision of clearance services; or

to, or to a nominee or agent for, a person whose business is or includes issuing depositary receipts.

Stamp duty reserve tax, at the rate of 1.5% of the value of the shares, could also be payable in these circumstances, and on the issue to such a person, but no stamp duty reserve tax will be payable if stamp duty equal to that stamp duty reserve tax liability is paid. In circumstances where stamp duty is not payable on the transfer of shares in registered form at the rate of 1.5%, such as where there is no chargeable instrument, stamp duty reserve tax will be payable to bring the charge up to 1.5% in total. Stamp duty or stamp duty reserve tax, as the case may be, will therefore be payable as a result of the issue of ADSs evidenced by American Depositary Receipts at 1.5% of the value of the Ordinary Shares underlying the ADSs at the time the Ordinary Shares are transferred to the depositary bank or its nominee.

No UK stamp duty will be payable on the acquisition of any ADS or on any subsequent transfer of an ADS, provided that the transfer and any subsequent instrument of transfer remains at all times outside the UK and that the instrument of transfer is not executed in or brought into the UK and the transfer does not relate to any matter or thing to be done in the UK. An agreement to transfer an ADS will not give rise to stamp duty reserve tax.

Subject to some exceptions, a transfer or sale of Ordinary Shares in registered form will attract ad valorem UK stamp duty at the rate of 0.5% (rounded up to the nearest £5) of the dutiable amount, usually the cash consideration for the transfer. Generally, ad valorem stamp duty applies neither to gifts nor on a transfer from a nominee to the beneficial owner, although in cases of transfers where no ad valorem stamp duty arises, a fixed UK stamp duty of £5 may be payable. Stamp duty reserve tax at a rate of 0.5% of the amount or value of the consideration for the transfer may be payable on an unconditional agreement to transfer shares. If, within six years of the date of such agreement, an instrument transferring the shares is executed and stamped, any stamp duty reserve tax paid may be repaid or, if it has not been paid, the liability to pay such tax, but not necessarily interest and penalties, would be cancelled. Stamp duty reserve tax is chargeable whether such agreement is made or effected in the

UK or elsewhere and whether or not any party is resident or situated in any part of the UK.

The statements in this paragraph headed UK Stamp Duty and Stamp Duty Reserve Tax summarize the current position and are intended as a general guide only. Special rules apply to agreements made by, amongst others, intermediaries, market makers, brokers, dealers and persons connected with depositary arrangements and clearance services and certain categories of person may be liable to stamp duty or stamp duty reserve tax at higher rates or may, although not primarily liable for the duty or tax, be required to notify and account for it under the UK Stamp Duty Reserve Tax Regulations 1996.

#### Certain US Federal Income Tax Considerations

Subject to the limitations described below, the following generally summarizes certain material US federal income tax consequences to a US Holder (as defined below) of the acquisition, ownership and disposition of Ordinary Shares. US Holders of ADSs will be treated for US federal income tax purposes as owners of the Ordinary Shares underlying the ADSs. Accordingly, except as noted, the US federal income tax consequences discussed below apply equally to US Holders of ADSs and Ordinary Shares. This discussion is limited to US Holders who are beneficial owners of the Ordinary Shares, and who hold their Ordinary Shares as capital assets, within the meaning of the US Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, which we may refer to as the Code . For purposes of this summary, a US Holder is a beneficial owner of Ordinary Shares that does not maintain a permanent establishment or fixed base in the UK, as such terms are defined in the double taxation convention between the US and UK and that is, for US federal

income tax purposes,
a citizen or resident of the US;
a corporation (or other entity treated as a corporation for US federal income tax purposes) created or organized in the US or under the laws of the US or of any state thereof or the District of Columbia;
an estate, the income of which is includible in gross income for US federal income tax purposes regardless of its source; or
a trust, if a court within the US is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and one or more US persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust.
If a partnership (including for this purpose any entity treated as a partnership for US federal income tax purposes) is a beneficial owner of Ordinary Shares, the treatment of a partner in the partnership will generally depend upon the status of the partner and upon the activities of the partnership. Partnerships and partners in such partnerships should consult their tax advisers about the US federal income tax consequences of owning and disposing of Ordinary Shares.
This summary is for general information purposes only. It does not purport to be a comprehensive description of all of the US federal income tax considerations that may be relevant to each US Holder s decision in regard to the Ordinary Shares. This discussion also does not address any aspect of US federal gift or estate tax, or any state, local or non-US tax laws. Prospective owners of Ordinary Shares who are US Holders are advised to consult their own tax advisers with respect to the US federal, state and local tax consequences, as well as to non-US tax consequences, of the acquisition, ownership and disposition of the Ordinary Shares applicable to their particular tax situations.
This discussion is based on current provisions of the Code, current and proposed US treasury regulations promulgated thereunder, the double taxation convention between the US and UK entered into force on March 31, 2003 and administrative and judicial decisions, each as of the date hereof, all of which are subject to change or differing interpretation, possibly on a retroactive basis. The new convention replaces the double taxation convention between the US and the UK entered into force on April 24, 1980. The new convention is effective, in respect of taxes withheld at source, for amounts paid or credited on or after May 1, 2003. Other provisions of the new convention will take effect on certain othe dates. A US Holder would, however, be entitled to elect to have the old convention apply in its entirety for a period of twelve months after the effective dates of the new convention. The following discussion assumes that US holders are residents of the US for purposes of both the old convention and the new convention and are entitled to the benefits of these conventions.

This discussion does not address all aspects of US federal income taxation that may be relevant to a particular US Holder based on such Holder s individual circumstances. In particular, this discussion does not address the potential application of the alternative minimum tax nor does it address the tax treatment of shareholders, partners or beneficiaries of a holder of Ordinary Shares. In addition, this discussion does not address the US federal income tax consequences to US Holders that are subject to special treatment, including broker-dealers, including dealers in

securities or currencies; insurance companies; taxpayers that have elected mark-to-market accounting; tax-exempt organizations; financial institutions or financial services entities; taxpayers who hold Ordinary Shares as part of a straddle, hedge or conversion transaction; US Holders owning directly, indirectly or by attribution at least 10% of our voting power; taxpayers whose functional currency is not the US dollar; certain expatriates or former long-term residents of the US; and taxpayers who acquired their Ordinary Shares as compensation.

You should consult your own tax advisers as to the particular tax consequences to you under UK, US federal, state and local and other
foreign laws, of the acquisition, ownership and disposition of ADSs or Ordinary Shares.

Taxation of Dividends

General

Subject to the passive foreign investment company rules discussed below, the amount of any distributions (including, provided certain elections are made, as discussed in UK Withholding Tax/Foreign Tax Credits below, the full tax credit amount deemed received) paid out of current and/or accumulated earnings and profits, as determined under US tax principles, will be included in the gross income of a US Holder on the day such distributions are actually or constructively received and will be characterized as ordinary income for US federal income tax purposes. To the extent that a dividend distribution exceeds our current and accumulated earnings

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and profits, it will be treated as a non-taxable return of capital to the extent of a US Holder s adjusted basis in the Ordinary Shares, and thereafter as capital gain. We do not currently maintain calculations of our earnings and profits under US tax principles. Dividends paid by us to corporate US Holders will not be eligible for the dividends-received deduction that might otherwise be available if such dividends were paid by a US corporation.

Foreign Currency Considerations

Distributions paid by us in pounds sterling will be included in a US Holder s income when the distribution is actually or constructively received by the US Holder. The amount of the dividend distribution includible in the income of a US Holder will be the US dollar value of the pounds sterling, determined by the spot rate of exchange on the date when the distribution is actually or constructively received by the US Holder, regardless of whether the pounds sterling are actually converted into US dollars at such time. If the pounds sterling received as a dividend distribution are not converted into US dollars on the date of receipt, then a US Holder may realize exchange gain or loss on a subsequent conversion of such pounds sterling into US dollars. The amount of any gain or loss realized in connection with a subsequent conversion will be treated as ordinary income or loss and generally will be treated as US-source income or loss for foreign tax credit purposes.

UK Withholding Tax/Foreign Tax Credits

A US Holder that elects to receive benefits under the old convention is, in principle, entitled to claim a refund from the UK Inland Revenue for (i) the amount of the tax credit that a UK resident individual would be entitled to receive with respect to a dividend payment, which we refer to as the Tax Credit Amount, reduced by (ii) the amount of UK withholding tax, which we refer to as UK Notional Withholding Tax, imposed on such dividend payment under the old convention. The Tax Credit Amount will equal that amount of UK Notional Withholding Tax imposed on dividends paid by us, therefore, no such refund is available. However, a US Holder may be entitled to claim a foreign tax credit for the amount of UK Notional Withholding Tax associated with a dividend paid by us by filing a Form 8833 in accordance with US Revenue Procedure 2000-13. US Holders that file Form 8833 will be treated as receiving an additional dividend from us equal to the Tax Credit Amount (unreduced by the UK Notional Withholding Tax), which additional dividend must be included in the US Holder s gross income, and will be treated as having paid the applicable UK Notional Withholding Tax due under the old convention. For purposes of calculating the foreign tax credit, dividends paid on the Ordinary Shares will be treated as non-US source income and generally will constitute passive income or, in the case of certain US Holders, financial services income. In lieu of claiming a foreign tax credit, a US Holder may be eligible to claim a deduction for foreign taxes paid in a taxable year. However, a deduction generally does not reduce a US Holder s US federal income tax liability on a dollar-for-dollar basis like a tax credit.

Under the new convention, the Tax Credit Amount and UK Notional Withholding Tax described above will no longer apply to US Holders. The UK does not currently apply a withholding tax on dividends under its internal tax laws. Were such withholding imposed in the UK, as permitted under the new convention, the UK generally will be entitled to impose a withholding tax at a rate of 15% on dividends paid to US Holders. A US Holder who is subject to such withholding should be entitled to a credit for such withholding, subject to applicable limitations, against such US Holder s US federal income tax liability.

The rules relating to foreign tax credits are complex and US Holders are urged to consult their tax advisers to determine whether and to what extent a foreign tax credit might be available in connection with dividends paid on the Ordinary Shares.

Taxation of the Sale or Exchange of Ordinary Shares; Surrender of ADSs for Ordinary Shares

Subject to the passive foreign investment rules described below, a US Holder generally will recognize capital gain or loss on the sale or exchange of the Ordinary Shares in an amount equal to the difference between the amount realized in such sale or exchange and the US Holder s adjusted tax basis in such Shares. Such capital gain or loss will be long-term capital gain or loss if a US Holder has held the Ordinary Shares for more than one year and generally will be US-source income for foreign tax credit purposes. Long-term capital gains realized by an individual US Holder on a sale or exchange of Ordinary Shares are generally subject to reduced rates of taxation. The deductibility of capital losses is subject to limitations.

A US Holder that receives foreign currency upon the sale or exchange of the Ordinary Shares generally will realize an amount equal to the US dollar value of the foreign currency on the date of sale (or, if Ordinary Shares are traded on an established securities market, in the case of cash basis tax payers and electing accrual basis taxpayers, the settlement date). A US Holder will have a tax basis in the foreign currency received equal to the US dollar amount realized. Any gain or loss realized by a US Holder on a subsequent conversion or other disposition of foreign currency will be ordinary income or loss and will generally be US-source

income for foreign tax credit purposes.
The surrender of ADSs for the underlying Ordinary Shares will not be a taxable event for US federal income tax purposes and US Holders will not recognize any gain or loss upon such an exchange.
PFIC Rules
Certain adverse US tax consequences apply to a US shareholder in a company that is classified as a passive foreign investment company, which is referred to herein as a PFIC. We will be classified as a PFIC in a particular taxable year if either (i) 75% or more of our gross income is passive income; or (ii) the average percentage of the value of our assets that produce or are held for the production of passive income is at least 50%. Cash balances, even if held as working capital, are considered to be passive.
Because we will receive interest income and may receive royalties, we may be classified as a PFIC under the income test described above. In addition, as a result of our cash position, we may be classified as a PFIC under the asset test in the event that the price of the Ordinary Shares declines substantially. We will monitor our status and will, promptly following the end of any taxable year for which we determine we were a PFIC, notify US holders of such status.
If we were a PFIC in any year during which a US Holder owned Ordinary Shares, the US Holder would generally be subject to special rules (regardless of whether we continued to be a PFIC) with respect to (i) any excess distribution (generally, distributions received by the US Holder in a taxable year in excess of 125% of the average annual distributions received by such Holder in the three preceding taxable years, or, if shorter, such Holder s holding period) and (ii) any gain realized on the sale or other disposition of Ordinary Shares. Under these rules:
the excess distribution or gain would be allocated rateably over the US Holder s holding period;
the amount allocated to the current taxable year and any taxable year prior to the first taxable year in which we are a PFIC would be taxed as ordinary income; and
the amount allocated to each of the prior taxable years would be subject to tax at the highest rate of tax in effect for the taxpayer for that year and an interest charge for the deemed deferral benefit would be imposed with respect to the resulting tax attributable to each such prior taxable year.
US Holders who own ADSs (but not Ordinary Shares) generally should be able to avoid the interest charge described above by making a mark to market election with respect to such ADSs, provided that the ADSs are marketable. The ADSs are marketable if they are regularly traded on certain US stock exchanges, or on a foreign stock exchange if:

	the foreign exchan	ge is regulated of	or supervised b	oy a governmental	authority o	of the country	in which the
exchan	ge is located;						

the foreign exchange has trading volume, listing, financial disclosure, and other requirements designed to prevent fraudulent and manipulative acts and practices, remove impediments to, and perfect the mechanism of, a free and open market, and to protect investors;

the laws of the country in which the exchange is located and the rules of the exchange ensure that these requirements are actually enforced; and

the rules of the exchange effectively promote active trading of listed stocks.

For purposes of these regulations, the ADSs will be considered regularly traded during any calendar year during which they are traded, other than in de minimis quantities, on at least fifteen days during each calendar quarter. Any trades that have as their principal purpose meeting this requirement will be disregarded. If a US Holder makes a mark-to-market election, it will be required to include as ordinary income the excess of the fair market value of such ADSs at year-end over its basis in those ADSs. In addition, any gain it recognizes upon the sale of such ADSs will be taxed as ordinary income in the year of sale. US Holders should consult their tax advisers regarding the availability of the mark to market election.

A US Holder of an interest in a PFIC can sometimes avoid the interest charge described above by making a qualified electing fund or QEF election to be taxed currently on its share of the PFIC s undistributed ordinary income. Such election must be based on

information concerning the PFIC s earnings provided by the relevant PFIC to investors on an annual basis. We will make such information available to US Holders upon request, and consequently US Holders will be able to make a QEF election, if we determine that we are a PFIC in any taxable year.
US Holders should consult their tax advisers regarding the US federal income tax considerations discussed above and the desirability of making a mark-to market election.
US Backup Withholding and Information Reporting Requirements
Dividend payments made with respect to the Ordinary Shares, and proceeds received in connection with the sale or exchange of Ordinary Shares may be subject to information reporting to the IRS and backup withholding (currently imposed at a rate of 30%). Backup withholding will not apply, however, if a US Holder (i) is a corporation or comes within certain other exempt categories and, when required, demonstrates such fact or (ii) provides a taxpayer identification number, certifies as to no loss of exemption from backup withholding and otherwise complies with applicable backup withholding rules. Persons required toestablish their exempt status generally must provide certification on IRS Form W-9 or Form W-8BEN (as applicable). Amounts held as backup withholding may be credited against a holder s US federal income tax liability, and a holder may obtain a refund of any excess amounts withheld under the backup withholding rules by filing the appropriate claim for refund with the IRS and furnishing any required information.
F. Dividends and Paying Agents
Not applicable.
G. Statement of Experts
Not applicable.
H. Documents on Display
We file reports, including this annual report on Form 20-F, and other information with the SEC pursuant to the rules and regulations of the SEC that apply to foreign private issuers. Any materials filed with the SEC may be inspected without charge and copied at prescribed rates at its Public Reference Room at 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20459. Information on the operation of the Public Reference Room may be

obtained by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330. This annual report and subsequent public filings with the SEC will also be available on the

website maintained by the SEC at http://www.sec.gov.

We provide Citibank N.A., as depositary under the deposit agreement between us, the depositary and registered holders of the American Depositary Receipts evidencing ADSs, with annual reports, including a review of operations, and annual audited consolidated financial statements prepared in conformity with UK GAAP, together with a reconciliation of net income/(loss) and total shareholders—equity to US GAAP. Upon receipt of these reports, the depositary is obligated to promptly mail them to all record holders of ADSs. We also furnish to the depositary all notices of meetings of holders of Ordinary Shares and other reports and communications that are made generally available to holders of Ordinary Shares. The depositary undertakes to mail to all holders of ADSs a notice containing the information contained in any notice of a shareholders—meeting received by the depositary, or a summary of such information. The depositary also undertakes to make available to all holders of ADSs such notices and all other reports and communications received by the depositary in the same manner as we make them available to holders of Ordinary Shares.

Item 11 Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk
General
Historically, our global operations and our existing liabilities, were exposed to various market risks (i.e. the risk of loss arising from adverse changes in market rates or prices). Our principal market risks were :
foreign exchange rates generating translation and transaction gains and losses; and
interest rate risks related to financial and other liabilities.
We have not entered into into any market risk sensitive instruments for trading purposes. We have not entered into any hedging or
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derivative instruments in respect of these exposures.

#### Foreign Exchange Rate Risks

We previously had operations in the UK, US and Sweden and consequently had exposure to transactions derived in pounds sterling, US dollars and Swedish kronor. We do not engage in hedging activities to restrict the risks of exchange rate fluctuations. As a result, changes in the relation of US dollar and Swedish kronor to pound sterling affected our revenues and operating margins, the book value of our assets and the amount of shareholders equity.

Following the disposal of both our Swedish and US operations we presently have operations only in the UK but continue to have exposure to transactions dominated in US dollars and pounds sterling. Accordingly, changes in the relation of US dollar to pound sterling may affect our revenues and operating margins, the book value of our assets and the amount of shareholders equity.

#### Interest Rate Risk

We finance our operations through a mixture of equity issuances, loans and deferred consideration. Our principal loan as of December 31, 2003 was at a variable rate of interest and consequently followed the market rates as they fluctuated. Two other liabilities are interest free and their fair market values fluctuate as the market interest rates vary. We do not hedge any of our interest rate risks. The following table summarises the exposures to interest rate risks as at December 31, 2003.

	Expected maturity date						
Liabilities US million	2004	2005	2006	2007	Thereafter	Total	Fair Value
US\$ debt (1):							
Variable Rate of LIBOR + 2%	25.0					25.0	25.0
Interest free (1)	6.5					6.5	6.5
US\$ Deferred consideration (1):							
Interest free	3.9					3.9	3.9

Notes:

(1) In February 2004, this debt was restructured. See Item 7 Major Shareholders and Related Party Transactions Related Party Transactions.

#### **Item 12 Description of Securities Other than Equity Securities**

Not applicable.
PART II
Item 13 Defaults, Dividend Arrearages and Delinquencies
none
Item 14 Material Modifications to the Rights of Security Holders and Use of Proceeds
None.
Item 15 Controls and Procedures
During the year 2003 we have enhanced our internal control processes to include gathering and using externally sourced inventory and demand data. Externally sourced inventory information is not readily available and when available is not necessarily accurate or verifiable.
As of the end of the fiscal year ended December 31, 2003, we conducted an evaluation (under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer), pursuant to Rule 13a-15 promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures.
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In designing and evaluating our disclosure controls and procedures, our management recognized that any controls and procedures, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable, rather than absolute, assurance of achieving the desired control objectives and management necessarily was required to apply its judgment in evaluating the cost-benefit relationship of possible controls and procedures. Based on this evaluation, our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, concluded that as of the evaluation date such disclosure controls and procedures were reasonably designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by us in reports we file or submit under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the rules and forms of the SEC.

During the fiscal year ended December 31, 2003 there have not been any changes in our internal control over financial reporting that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal controls over financial reporting.

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#### **Item 16A Audit Committee Financial Expert**

Our Board of Directors has determined that John Groom, a member of our audit committee, is an audit committee financial expert.

#### **Item 16B Code of Ethics**

We have adopted a written Code of Ethics that applies to all employees and executive officers, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer. A copy of our Code of Ethics has been filed as Exhibit 11.1 to this annual report.

#### **Item 16C Principal Accountant Fees and Services**

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP has served as our independent public auditor for each of the fiscal years ended December 31, 2002 and 2003 and its predecessor firm, PricewaterhouseCoopers served as our independent public auditor for the year ended December 31, 2001.

The following table sets forth the aggregate fees billed by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP for professional services in each of the last two fiscal years:

2002 (\$'000) 2003 (\$'000)

Audit Fees	190	157
Audit-related fees	75	255
Tax Fees	24	25
All other fees	110	90
Total	399	527

Audit fees comprise the work undertaken in auditing the Group and issuing an audit opinion on its UK statutory accounts. Audit related fees comprise work associated with SEC regulatory compliance and reviews of the Group s quarterly earnings. Tax fees comprise work relating to tax filing compliance. Other fees comprise work relating to tax advisory services.

## Item 16D Exemptions from the Listing Standards for Audit Committees

Not Applicable.

#### **PART III**

### **Item 17 Financial Statements**

We are furnishing financial statements pursuant to the instructions of Item 18 of Form 20-F.

## **Item 18 Financial Statements**

See our consolidated financial statements beginning at page F-1.

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#### **Item 19 Exhibits**

Exhibits filed as part of this annual report:

- 1.1 Memorandum of Association of the Company (10)
- 1.2 Articles of Association of the Company (10)
- 2.1 Form of Deposit Agreement, dated as of March 29, 1993, among the Company, Citibank, N.A., as Depositary, and all holders from time to time of American Depositary Receipts issued thereunder (1)
- 2.2 Amendment No. 1 to Deposit Agreement, dated as of October 8, 1998, among the Company, Citibank, N.A., as Depositary, and all holders from time to time of the American Depositary Receipts issued thereunder (2)
- 2.3 Amendment No. 2 to Deposit Agreement, dated as of September 25, 2002 among the Company, Citibank N.A., as Depositary, and all holders from time to time of the American Depositary Receipts issued thereunder (3)
- 2.4 Form of Ordinary Share certificate (10)
- 2.5 Form of American Depositary Receipt evidencing ADSs (included in Exhibit 2.3) (3)
- 2.6 Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of October 21, 1998, by and among Ethical Holdings plc and Monksland Holdings B.V. (10)
- 2.7 Amendment No. 1 to Registration Rights Agreement and Waiver, dated January 27, 2003, by and among the Company, Elan International Services, Ltd. and Monksland Holdings B.V.(10)
- Second Subscription Agreement, dated as of November 1999, among Ethical Holdings PLC, Monksland Holdings B.V. and Elan Corporation PLC (4)
- 2.9 Purchase Agreement, dated as of June 16, 2000, by and among the Company and the Purchasers named therein (4)
- 2.10 Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of November 24, 2000, by and between the Company and Laxdale Limited (5)
- 2.11 Form of Subscription Agreement, dated as of January 27, 2003 by and among the Company and the Purchasers named therein (10) (The Company entered into twenty separate Subscription Agreements on January 27, 2003 all substantially similar in form and content to this form of Subscription Agreement.)

- 2.12 Form of Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of January 27, 2003 between the Company and the Purchasers named therein (10) (The Company entered into twenty separate Registration Rights Agreements on January 27, 2003 all substantially similar in form and content to this form of Registration Rights Agreement.)
- 4.1 Amended and Restated Asset Purchase Agreement dated September 29, 1999 between Elan Pharmaceuticals Inc. and the Company (10)
- 4.2 Variation Agreement, undated, between Elan Pharmaceuticals Inc. and the Company (10)
- 4.3 License Agreement, dated November 24, 2000, between the Company and Laxdale Limited (6)
- 4.4 Option Agreement, dated as of June 18, 2001, between Elan Pharma International Limited and the Company (7)
- 4.5 Deed of Variation, dated January 27, 2003, between Elan Pharma International Limited and the Company (10)
- 4.6 Lease, dated August 6, 2001, between the Company and LB Strawberry LLC (7)
- 4.7 Amended and Restated Distribution, Marketing and Option Agreement, dated September 28, 2001, between Elan Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and the Company (8)
- 4.8 Amended and Restated License and Supply Agreement, dated March 29, 2002, between Eli Lilly and Company and the Company (10)
- 4.9 Deed of Variation, dated January 27, 2003, between Elan Pharmaceuticals Inc. and the Company (10)
- 4.10 Stock and Intellectual Property Right Purchase Agreement, dated November 30, 2001, by and among Abriway International S.A., Sergio Lucero, Francisco Stefano, Amarin Technologies S.A., Amarin Pharmaceuticals Company Limited and the Company (7)
- 4.11 Stock Purchase Agreement, dated November 30, 2001, by and among Abriway International S.A., Beta Pharmaceuticals Corporation and the Company (7)
- 4.12 Novation Agreement, dated November 30, 2001, by and among Beta Pharmaceuticals Corporation, Amarin Technologies S.A. And the Company (7)
- 4.13 Loan Agreement, dated September 28, 2001, between Elan Pharma International Limited and the Company (8)
- 4.14 Deed of Variation, dated July 19, 2002, amending certain provisions of the Loan Agreement between the Company and Elan Pharma International Limited (10)
- 4.15 Deed of Variation No. 2, dated December 23, 2002, between The Company and Elan Pharma International Limited (10)
- 4.16 Deed of Variation No. 3, dated January 27, 2003, between the Company and Elan Pharma International Limited (10)
- 4.17 The Company 2002 Stock Option Plan (9)
- 4.18 Agreement Letter, dated October 21, 2002, between the Company and Security Research Associates, Inc.(10)
- 4.19 Agreement, dated January 27, 2003, among the Company, Elan International Services, Ltd. and Monksland Holdings B.V.(10)
- 4.20 Master Agreement, dated January 27, 2003, between Elan Corporation, plc., Elan Pharma International Limited, Elan International Services, Ltd., Elan Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Monksland Holdings B.V. and the Company(10)

- 4.21 Form of Warrant Agreement, dated March 19, 2003, between the Company and individuals designated by Security Research Associates, Inc.(10) (The Company entered into seven separate Warrant Agreements on March 19, 2003 all substantially similar in form and content to this form of Warrant Agreement.)
- 4.22 Sale and Purchase Agreement, dated March 14, 2003, between F. Hoffmann La Roche Ltd., Hoffmann La Roche Inc And the Company(10)
- 4.23 Share Subscription and Purchase Agreement dated October 28, 2003 among the Company, Amarin Pharmaceuticals Company Limited, Watson Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and Lagrummet December NR 911 AB (under name change to WP Holdings AB)\*
- 4.24 Asset Purchase Agreement dated February 11, 2004 between the Company, Amarin Pharmaceuticals Company Limited and Valeant Pharmaceuticals International\*
- 4.25 Amendment No. 1 to Asset Purchase Agreement dated February 25, 2004 between the Company, Amarin Pharmaceuticals Company Limited and Valeant Pharmaceuticals International\*
- 4.26 Development Agreement dated February 25, 2004 between the Company and Valeant Pharmaceuticals International\*
- 4.27 Settlement Agreement dated February 25, 2004 among Elan Corporation plc, Elan Pharma International Limited, Elan International Services, Ltd, Elan Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Monksland Holdings BV a d the Company\*
- 4.28 Debenture dated August 4. 2003 made by the Company in favour of Elan Corporation plc as Trustee\*
- 4.29 Debenture Amendment Agreement dated December 23, 2003 between the Company and Elan Corporation plc as Trustee\*
- 4.30 Debenture Amendment Agreement No. 2 dated February 24, 2004 between the Company and Elan Corporation plc as Trustee\*
- 4.31 Loan Instrument dated February 25, 2004 executed by Amarin in favor of Elan Pharma International Limited\*
- 4.32 Amended and Restated Master Agreement dated August 4, 2003 among Elan Corporation plc, Elan Pharma International Limited, Elan International Services, Ltd., Elan Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Monksland Holdings BV and the Company\*(11)
- 4.33 Amended and Restated Option Agreement dated August 4, 2003 between the Company and Elan Pharma International Limited\*(11)
- 4.34 Deed of Variation No. 2, dated August 4, 2003, to the Amended and Restated Distribution, Marketing and Option Agreement between Elan Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and the Company\*(11)
- 4.35 Deed of Variation No. 4, dated August 4, 2003, to Loan Agreement between the Company and Elan Pharma International Limited\*(11)
- 4.36 Amendment Agreement No. 1, dated August 4, 2003, to Amended and Restated Asset Purchase Agreement among Elan International Services, Ltd., Elan Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and the Company\*(11)
- 4.37 Warrant dated February 25, 2004 issued by the Company in favor of the Warrant Holders named therein\*
- 4.38 Amendment Agreement dated December 23, 2003, between Elan Corporation plc, Elan Pharma International Limited, Elan Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Monksland Holdings BV and the Company\*(11)
- 4.39 Bridging Loan Agreement dated December 23, 2003 between the Company and Elan Pharmaceuticals, Inc. \*(11)
- 4.40 Agreement dated December 23, 2003 between the Company and Elan Pharma International Limited, amending the Amended and Restated Option Agreement dated August 4, 2003\*(11)
- 4.41 Inventory Buy Back Agreement dated March 18, 2004 between the Company and Swiftwater Group LLC\*

- 8.1 Subsidiaries of the Company\*
- 11.1 Code of Ethics\*
- 12.1 Certification of Richard A. B. Stewart required by Rule 15d-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002\*
- 12.2 Certification of Ian R. Garland required by Rule 15d-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002\*
- 13.1 Certification of Richard A. B. Stewart required by Section 1350 of Chapter 63 of Title 18 of the United States Code, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002\*
- 13.2 Certification of Ian Garland required by Section 1350 of Chapter 63 of Title 18 of the United States Code, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002\*

#### \* Filed herewith

Confidential treatment requested (the confidential portions of such exhibits have been omitted and filed separately with the Securities and Exchange Commission)

- (1) Incorporated herein by reference to certain exhibits to the Company s Registration Statement on Form F-1, File No. 33-58160, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 11, 1993.
- (2) Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit(a)(i) to the Company s Registration Statement on Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to Form F-6, File No. 333-5946, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on October 8, 1998.
- (3) Incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit(a)(ii) to the Company s Registration Statement on Post-Effective Amendment No. 2 to Form F-6, File No. 333-5946, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on September 26, 2002.
- (4) Incorporated herein by reference to certain exhibits to the Company s Annual Report on Form 20-F for the year ended December 31, 1999, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on June 30, 2000.
- (5) Incorporated herein by reference to certain exhibits to the Company s Registration Statement on Form F-3, File No. 333-13200, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 22, 2001.
- (6) Incorporated herein by reference to certain exhibits to the Company s Annual Report on Form 20-F for the year ended December 31, 2000, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on July 2, 2001.
- (7) Incorporated herein by reference to certain exhibits to the Company s Annual Report on Form 20-F for the year ended December 31, 2001, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 9, 2002.
- (8) Incorporated herein by reference to certain exhibits to the Company s Registration Statement on Pre-Effective Amendment No. 2 to Form F-3, File No. 333-13200, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 19, 2001.
- (9) Incorporated herein by reference to certain exhibits to the Company s Registration Statement on Form S-8, File No. 333-101775, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 11, 2002.
- (10) Incorporated herein by reference to certain exhibits to the Company s Annual Report on Form 20-F for the year ended December 31, 2002, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 24, 2003.
- (11) These agreements are no longer in effect as a result of superseding agreements entered into by the Company.

#### **SIGNATURES**

The registrant hereby certifies that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form 20-F and that it has duly caused and authorized the undersigned to sign this annual report on its behalf.

#### AMARIN CORPORATION PLC

By: /s/ RICHARD A. B. STEWART

Richard A. B. Stewart Chief Executive Officer

Date: March 31, 2004

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#### Report of independent accountants

To the Board of Directors and Shareholders of

Amarin Corporation plc

In our opinion, the accompanying balance sheets and the related consolidated profit and loss accounts, statements of total recognised gains and losses, reconciliations of movements in shareholders—funds and cashflow statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Amarin Corporation plc and its subsidiaries at December 31, 2003, December 31, 2002 and December 31, 2001, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for the years then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United Kingdom. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company—s management; our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits of these statements in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and in the United Kingdom, which require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United Kingdom vary in certain significant respects from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Information relating to the nature and effect of such differences is presented in Note 40 to the consolidated financial statements.

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

Cambridge, England

31 March 2004

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# Consolidated profit and loss account for the year ended 31 December 2003

	Note	Pre - exceptional items 2003	Exceptional items (note 3) 2003	Total 2003	Total 2002	Total 2001
Turnover		\$ 000	\$ 000	\$ 000	\$ 000	\$ 000
Continuing operations		107		107	113	96
Discontinued operations		17,882	(10,624)	7,258	65,328	62,935
2 is communical operations	4	17,989	(10,624)	7,365	65,441	63,031
Cost of sales		-1,7.02	(==,===)	.,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	33,113	,
Continuing operations						
Discontinued operations		(7,232)	(4,680)	(11,912)	(30,099)	(25,337)
•	5	(7,232)	(4,680)	(11,912)	(30,099)	(25,337)
Gross profit/(loss)						
Continuing operations		107		107	113	96
Discontinued operations		10,650	(15,304)	(4,654)	35,229	37,598
•		10,757	(15,304)	(4,547)	35,342	37,694
Operating expenses						
Continuing operations		(6,200)		(6,200)	(6,130)	(4,358)
Discontinued operations		(25,479)	(2,595)	(28,074)	(61,842)	(38,212)
	6	(31,679)	(2,595)	(34,274)	(67,972)	(42,570)
Operating (loss)						
Continuing operations				(6,093)	(6,017)	(4,262)
Discontinued operations				(32,728)	(26,613)	(614)
				(38,821)	(32,630)	(4,876)
Exceptional income/restructuring						
Discontinued operations	12				1,077	1,183
Profit/(loss) on disposal of operations						
Discontinued operations	9			13,076		(1,439)
(Loss) on ordinary activities before interest						
Continuing operations				(6,093)	(6,017)	(4,262)
Discontinued operations				(19,652)	(25,536)	(870)
				(25,745)	(31,553)	(5,132)
Interest receivable and similar income	10			65	390	881
Interest payable and similar charges	11			(900)	(2,349)	(477)
(Loss) on ordinary activities before taxation	13			(26,580)	(33,512)	(4,728)
Tax on (loss) on ordinary activities	14			7,356	(3,535)	(536)
(Loss) for the financial year				(19,224)	(37,047)	(5,264)
Dividends - non-equity	17			(24)	(122)	(200)
Retained (loss) for the financial year	30			(19,248)	(37,169)	(5,464)
				US Cents	US Cents	US Cents
						*Restated

Basic (loss) per ordinary share	16	(112.5)	(398.5)	(73.9)
Fully diluted (loss) per ordinary				
share	16	(112.5)	(398.5)	(73.9)

There is no difference between the (loss) on ordinary activities before taxation and the retained (loss) for the year stated above, and their historical cost equivalents.

<sup>\*</sup> During 2002 the nominal value of ordinary shares was converted from 10p to £1 resulting in the number of shares reducing by a factor of 10. Accordingly, the comparatives for 2001 have been restated.

### Statement of group total recognised gains and losses

	2003	2002	2001
	\$ 000	\$ 000	\$ 000
Loss for the year	(19,224)	(37,047)	(5,264)
Exchange adjustments offset in reserves		(1,627)	(35)
	(19,224)	(38,674)	(5,299)

# Reconciliation of movements in group shareholders (deficit)/funds

	2003	2002	2001
	\$ 000	\$ 000	\$ 000
Loss for the financial year	(19,224)	(37,047)	(5,264)
Dividends - non equity	(24)	(122)	(200)
New share capital issued	21,212	198	4,736
Share issuance costs	(2,104)	(407)	
Exchange adjustments offset in reserves		(1,627)	(35)
Net change in shareholders (deficit)/funds	(140)	(39,005)	(763)
Opening shareholders (deficit)/funds	(6,208)	32,797	33,560
Closing shareholders (deficit)/funds	(6,348)	(6,208)	32,797

# **Balance sheets at 31 December**

	Note	2003	Group 2002	2001	2003	Company 2002	2001
		\$ 000	\$ 000	\$ 000	\$ 000	\$ 000	\$ 000
Fixed assets							
Intangible assets	18	31,749	47,455	52,125	31,749	47,310	52,101
Tangible assets	19	1,031	2,386	2,463	300	410	502
Investments	20				1,660	1,660	1,660
		32,780	49,841	54,588	33,709	49,380	54,263
Current assets							
Stock	21	2,651	7,726	3,925	2,651	7,662	3,901
Deferred tax asset	26	7,500			7,500		
Debtors	22	2,349	15,606	8,706	3,766	33,826	35,703
Investments	23			71			71
Cash at bank and in hand		2,097	24,265	33,307	1,134	19,388	31,240
		14,597	47,597	46,009	15,051	60,876	70,915
Creditors: amounts falling due	0.4	52.525	((,002	50.400	<b>(5</b> 000	60.002	05.140
within one year	24	53,725	66,903	59,409	67,092	69,892	85,140
Net current liabilities		(39,128)	(19,306)	(13,400)	(52,041)	(9,016)	(14,225)
Total assets less current liabilities Creditors: amounts falling due after		(6,348)	30,535	41,188	(18,332)	40,364	40,038
more than one year	25		36,693	7,190		46,500	7,190
Provisions for liabilities and charges	26		50	1,201		50	1,201
Net (liabilities)/assets		(6,348)	(6,208)	32,797	(18,332)	(6,186)	31,647
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Capital and reserves							
Called up share capital	28	29,088	19,057	19,002	29,088	19,057	19,002
Share premium account	30	70,223	61,146	61,409	67,497	58,420	58,683
Merger reserve	30	·	(1,653)	(1,653)	,		
Profit and loss account	30	(105,659)	(84,758)	(45,961)	(114,917)	(83,663)	(46,038)
Total shareholders (deficit)/funds		(6,348)	(6,208)	32,797	(18,332)	(6,186)	31,647
Analysis of							
shareholders (deficit)/funds							
Equity		(6,348)	(16,199)	12,171	(18,332)	(16,177)	11,021
Non-equity			9,991	20,626		9,991	20,626
		(6,348)	(6,208)	32,797	(18,332)	(6,186)	31,647
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# Consolidated cash flow statement for the year ended 31 December 2003

	Note	2003	2002	2001
		\$ 000	\$ 000	\$ 000
Net cash (outflow)/inflow from operating activities		(15,051)	6,135	18,787
Returns on investment and servicing of finance				
Interest received		65	390	847
Interest paid on loans and overdrafts		(2,726)	(84)	(462)
Interest paid on finance leases		(31)	(5)	(14)
Net cash (outflow)/inflow from returns on investments and				
servicing finance		(2,692)	301	371
Taxation				
Corporation tax paid		(2,761)	(852)	(457)
Capital expenditure and financial investment				
Purchase of intangible fixed assets		(16,102)	(10,909)	(52,136)
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(662)	(715)	(1,653)
Proceeds on sale of tangible fixed assets			164	11
Net cash outflow from capital expenditure and financial				
investment		(16,764)	(11,460)	(53,778)
Acquisitions and disposals				
Cash received on disposal of Swedish operations (2001:	0	12.255		1.1
South American transdermal business) Cash balance gained/(eliminated) on disposal of Swedish	9	13,375		11
operations (2001: South American transdermal business)	9	329		(158)
Cash outflow before management of liquid resources and				(200)
financing		(23,564)	(5,876)	(35,225)
Management of liquid resources				
Decrease in short term deposits with banks				16,131
Financing				
Issue of ordinary share capital		21,212	199	4,421
Expenses of issue of ordinary share capital	30	(2,104)	(407)	(359)
New bank and other loans				49,776
Restructuring costs paid				(1,133)
Repayment of principal on bank and other loans	35	(17,500)	(2,576)	(2,404)
Repayment of principal under finance leases	35	(212)	(193)	(262)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from financing		1,396	(2,979)	50,039
(Decrease)/increase in cash	34	(22,168)	(8,851)	30,945
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# Reconciliation of operating loss to net cash (outflow)/inflow from operating activities

	2003 \$ 000	2002 \$ 000	2001 \$ 000
Continuing operations	\$ 000	\$ 000	\$ 000
Operating loss from continuing operations	(6,093)	(6,017)	(4,262)
Depreciation on tangible fixed assets	95	140	106
Amortisation of intangible fixed assets	576	500	553
Impairment of intangible fixed assets	2.0	473	
Decrease in stocks		173	29
(Increase)/decrease in trade debtors	(21)	23	29
(Increase)/decrease in other debtors	(55)	263	(336)
(Increase)/decrease in prepayments and accrued income	(217)	197	(69)
Increase/(decrease) in trade creditors	648	(192)	(59)
(Decrease)/increase in other taxation and social security	(34)	(95)	156
Increase in accruals and deferred income	299	563	667
(Decrease)/increase in provisions	(50)	(74)	39
Net cash outflow from continuing operating activities	(4,852)	(4,219)	(3,147)
Discontinued operations			
Operating (loss) from discontinued operations	(32,728)	(26,613)	(614)
Depreciation on tangible fixed assets	456	726	528
Amortisation of intangible fixed assets	4,890	6,920	22,270
Impairment of intangible fixed assets	10,095	38,309	
(Gain)/loss on translation of foreign currency balances		(10,142)	180
Loss on sale of tangible fixed assets		11	14
Decrease/(increase) in stocks	5,016	(3,801)	(930)
Decrease/(increase) in trade debtors	12,521	(6,945)	(4,180)
Decrease in other debtors	420	397	729
(Increase) in prepayments and accrued income	(293)	(577)	(287)
Increase/(decrease) in trade creditors	193	(78)	2,186
(Decrease)/increase in other creditors	(14,786)	5,210	2,507
(Decrease)/increase in other taxation and social security	(236)	111	(555)
Increase in accruals and deferred income	4,253	6,826	86
Net cash (outflow)/inflow from discontinued operating activities	(10,199)	10,354	21,934
Total net cash (outflow)/inflow from operating activities	(15,051)	6,135	18,787

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1. Basis of p	reparation	
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#### (a) Liquidity

In the 2002 financial statements the Group disclosed that it had grown through acquisitions financed by the issue of shares, the sale of assets and by loans and deferred payment terms from a related party, Elan Pharma International Limited (EPIL).

At the time the 2002 financial statements were prepared, the Group s trading was deteriorating and to continue as a going concern the Group needed to raise additional cash resources through a combination of the sale of non-core assets, external financing, reductions in costs and re-negotiation of terms of existing loan and deferred payment obligations.

In 2003 and subsequent to the year-end, the Group divested assets both core and non-core and settled/refinanced its obligations with EPIL such that it now has no debt falling due within the twelve months to March 31, 2005 and has positive net current assets as of the date of signing the financial statements. Based on current projections, as of March 31, 2004 the Group has adequate funds to finance current operations for the next twelve months. Consequently, the Directors have prepared these financial statements on the going concern basis.

#### (b) Reporting currency

On 1 January 2003, the functional and reporting currency was changed to US dollars from pounds sterling. The comparative financial data included in these financial statements, which have historically been reported in pounds sterling, have been recalculated as if converted to US dollars at the 31 December 2002 closing exchange rate of \$1.6099 to £1.

### 2. Principal accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards in the United Kingdom. A summary of the more important group accounting policies, which have been reviewed by the Board in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard (FRS) 18 Accounting Policies and which have been applied consistently, is set out below.

#### **Basis of accounting**

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention.

#### **Basis of consolidation**

The consolidated financial statements include the Company and all its subsidiary undertakings. The turnover and results of subsidiary companies are included in the financial statements from the date of acquisition, except where merger accounting principles are applied, in which case the turnover and results of the company being merged are included as if the merger had taken place before the earliest year presented.

In the case of disposals, turnover and results are included up to the date control passes to the new owner.

#### Goodwill

Goodwill arising on consolidation represents the excess of the fair value of the consideration given over the fair value of the identifiable net assets acquired. Goodwill thus arising is capitalised and amortised over its useful economic life.

Prior to the implementation of FRS 10 Goodwill and intangible assets , goodwill arising on acquisitions was written off to reserves in accordance with the accounting standards then in force. As permitted by the current accounting standard the goodwill previously written off to reserves has not been reinstated in the balance sheet. On disposal or closure of a previously acquired business, the attributable amount of goodwill previously written off to reserves is included in determining the profit or loss on disposal.

### Tangible fixed assets and intangible fixed assets

Tangible and intangible fixed assets are stated at cost, being their purchase cost, together with any incidental expenses of acquisition.

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Depreciation/amortisation is calculated so as to write off the cost of tangible/intangible fixed assets less their estimated residual values, on a straight line basis over the expected useful economic lives of the assets concerned. The principal annual rates used for this purpose are:

Plant and equipment	10-20%
Motor vehicles	25%
Fixtures and fittings	20%
Computer equipment	33.33%

Leasehold land and buildings are amortised over the period of the lease.

Intangible fixed assets are amortised on a straight line basis over the period in which the Group is expected to benefit from these assets.

#### **Evaluation of assets for impairment**

The Group reviews its long-lived assets for possible impairment when a triggering event is identified by comparing their discounted expected future cash flows or evidence of net realisable value to their carrying amount. An impairment loss is recognised if the recoverable amount is less than the carrying amount of the asset.

#### Fixed asset investments

Fixed asset investments are shown at cost less any provision for impairment.

#### Research and development expenditure

On a continuous basis the Group undertakes various clinical trials to establish and provide evidence of product efficacy.

All research and development costs are written off as incurred, except as provided in the following paragraph.

For a number of products under development, income is triggered under licence agreements by the submission of registration dossiers once trials have been completed, or simply by evidence of trials results alone. In these circumstances it is the Group s policy that the direct external costs of specific trials required to fulfil these criteria will be carried forward as work-in-progress up to the value of the income to be generated, where that income is expected to be received within twelve months of the balance sheet date. At present, the Group has no costs meeting these criteria and no work-in-progress is being carried forward.

#### Pre-launch costs

Prior to launch of a new pharmaceutical product, the Group may incur significant pre-launch marketing costs. Such costs are expensed as incurred.

#### Advertising costs

The Group has adopted an accounting policy for advertising costs whereby they are expensed as incurred. For the year ended 31 December 2003 costs incurred were \$250,000 (31 December 2002: \$377,000, 31 December 2001: \$948,000).

#### Stocks and work in progress

Stocks and work in progress are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. In general, cost is determined on a first in, first out basis and includes transport and handling costs. In the case of manufactured products, cost includes all direct expenditure and production overheads based on the normal level of activity. Where necessary, provision is made for obsolete, slow moving and defective stocks.

#### Finance and operating leases

Costs in respect of operating leases are charged on a straight-line basis over the lease term. Where fixed assets are financed by leasing arrangements, which transfer to the Group substantially all the benefits and risks of ownership, the assets are treated as if they had been purchased outright and are included in tangible fixed assets. The capital element of the leasing commitments is shown as obligations under finance leases. The lease rentals are treated as consisting of capital and interest elements. The capital element is applied to reduce the outstanding obligations and the interest element is charged against profit in proportion to the reducing capital element outstanding. Assets held under finance leases are depreciated over the shorter of the lease terms and the useful lives of equivalent owned assets.

#### Foreign currencies

Assets and liabilities of subsidiaries are translated into the Group s functional currency at rates of exchange ruling at the end of the financial year and the results of subsidiaries are translated at the average rate of exchange for the year. Differences on exchange arising from the retranslation of the opening net investment in subsidiary companies, and from the translation of the results of those companies at average rate, are taken to reserves and are reported in the statement of total recognised gains and losses. All other foreign exchange differences are taken to the profit and loss account in the year in which they arise.

#### **Financial instruments**

Current asset investments are stated at the lower of cost and market value. If there is no longer any market available for them, then the carrying value will be written down accordingly. Gains or losses on sale of such items will be recognised in the period in which the transaction takes place.

All borrowings are initially stated at the amount of consideration received. Finance costs are charged to the profit and loss account over the term of the borrowing and represent a constant proportion of capital repayment outstanding.

#### **Turnover**

Revenues exclude value added tax, sales between group companies and trade discounts. Revenues from pharmaceutical product sales and royalties represent the invoice value of products delivered to the customer, less trade discounts. The Group makes provisions for product returns based on specific product by product sales history and the value of product returns is taken as a deduction from revenue.

Royalty income is recognised when earned, based on related sales of products under agreements providing for royalties and is included under the heading royalties and product sales .

Income under license agreements is recognised when amounts have been earned through the achievement of specific milestones set forth in those agreements and/or the costs to attain those milestones have been incurred by the Group. A minority of the license agreements provide that if the Group materially breaches the agreement or fails to achieve required milestones, the Group would be required to refund all or a specified portion of the income received under the agreement. No provision is included for repayments of such income if the directors consider that this eventuality is remote.

#### **Deferred taxation**

Deferred taxation is provided in full on timing differences that result in an obligation at the balance sheet date to pay more tax, or a right to pay less tax, at a future date, at rates expected to apply when they crystallise based on current tax rates and law. Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that they are regarded as recoverable. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are not discounted.

### Pension costs

The Group contributes a set proportion of certain employees gross salary to defined contribution money purchase pension schemes. The pension costs charged to the profit and loss account represent the amount of contributions payable in respect of the accounting period.

The Group provides no other post retirement benefits to its employees.

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#### Short term investments

Bank deposits which are not repayable on demand are treated as short term investments in accordance with FRS 1 (Revised 1996) Cashflow statements . Movements in such investments are included under Management of liquid resources in the Group s cash flow statement.

#### Share schemes

In accordance with the provisions of Urgent Issues Task Force Abstract 17 Employee share schemes , the Group makes charges to the profit and loss account when options are granted, the charge being the market value of the shares at the date of grant less the exercise price of the options. The charge is reflected in the consolidated profit and loss account with an offsetting credit to reserves.

Employer s National Insurance and similar taxes arise on the exercise of certain share options. In accordance with Urgent Issues Task Force Abstract 25 National Insurance contributions on share options gains a provision is made, calculated using the market price at the balance sheet date, pro-rated over the vesting period of the options.

#### Risks and uncertainties

The value of the Group's patent and proprietary rights will be affected by its ability to obtain and preserve patent protection for its products and trade secrets, and by the emergence of competing technologies over time. In particular, the value of the intangible assets described in note 18 could be severely affected by changes in the status of the Group's patent and proprietary rights.

In addition, as the Group s products are highly regulated, any withdrawal of approval could impact the carrying value of the related inventory.

#### Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with UK GAAP 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 statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Inventory and returns provisions are calculated by projecting forward historical trends and take account of third party data including wholesaler inventory and prescriptions.

#### Nature of operations

During 2003 the principal activities of the Group comprised the marketing and distribution of pharmaceutical products and the provision of drug delivery and development services to third party pharmaceutical companies. Subsequent to the sale of the Group s US operation on 25 February 2004 and its drug delivery business on 28 October 2003, the Group s principal activity is the licensing and development of pharmaceutical products in the neurological field.

### Restatement of comparatives

During the period ended 31 December 2001 the Group sold all of its 99.16% equity interest in its South American transdermal patch business. Transactions related to this business are included within discontinued activities.

On 28 October 2003, the Group disposed of its entire interests in its Swedish drug delivery and development business comprising Gacell Holdings AB and Amarin Development (Sweden) AB. On 25 February 2004, the Group disposed of its entire interests in Amarin Pharmaceuticals Inc. In accordance with, UK GAAP (FRS 3 Reporting Financial Performance ) the Group has classified both these transactions as discontinued and has restated the comparatives on this basis.

During 2002 the nominal value of ordinary shares was converted from 10p to £1 resulting in the number of shares reducing by a factor of 10, accordingly the comparatives for 2001 have been restated.

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## **3.** Exceptional items

	Note	2003 \$ 000	2002 \$ 000	2001 \$ 000
Turnover		Ψ 000	Ψ 000	ψ 000
Discontinued operations		(10,624)		
Cost of sales				
Discontinued operations	5	(4,680)	(4,654)	
Gross profit				
Discontinued operations		(15,304)	(4,654)	
Operating expenses discontinued operations				
Administrative expenses				
Gain on renegotiation of related party liability	6,24,39	7,500		
Foreign exchange gain	6		8,080	
Impairment of Moraxen carrying value	6,18		(473)	
Impairment of Primary Care Portfolio carrying value	6,18	(695)		
Impairment of Permax carrying value	6,18	(9,400)	(38,309)	
		(2,595)	(30,702)	

The items for 2002 were not disclosed as exceptional in the 2002 annual report but have been disclosed in 2003 for comparability.

The exceptional charges relating to turnover comprise \$9,036,000 of Permax charges relating to returns and sales deductions, and \$1,588,000 relating to returns of primary care products. The exceptional charges arise on Permax because of the level of in-market inventories coupled with a sharp decline in 2003 demand because of generic competition. The primary care product charges are also due to the level of in-market inventory and reduced 2003 demand due to severe competition in the Phrenilin line of products.

Explanations of the other exceptional items are contained in the notes referenced in the table above.

Within operating expenses on the face of the UK GAAP profit and loss account are certain items which are disclosed as exceptional. Under US GAAP these items would not represent extraordinary items and would, therefore, not be disclosed separately on the face of the profit and loss account.

### **4.** Analysis by segment

The Group operates in, and is managed as, a single segment. The majority of continuing European sales are made to companies based in Holland and the majority of discontinued sales elsewhere are made to companies based in the United States. The following analysis is of revenue by geographical segment, by destination and by origin, of net (loss)/profit and net (liabilities)/assets by companies in each territory. Analysis is also provided of revenue by class and also of long-lived assets by geographical location.

Sales by destination	2003	2002	2001
	\$ 000	\$ 000	\$ 000
Europe continuing operations	107	113	96
Discontinued operations	7,258	65,328	62,935
	7,365	65,441	63,031

Sales by origin	2003	2002	2001
United Vinadors continuing apprehing	\$ 000 107	<b>\$ 000</b>	<b>\$ 000</b> 96
United Kingdom continuing operations  Discontinued operations	7,258	65,328	62,935
Discontinued operations	7,365	65,441	63,031
	7,303	03,441	03,031
(Loss) on ordinary activities before interest	2003	2002	2001
	\$ 000	\$ 000	\$ 000
United Kingdom continuing operations	(6,093)	(6,017)	(4,262)
Discontinued operations	(19,652)	(25,536)	(870)
	(25,745)	(31,553)	(5,132)
Net (liabilities) / assets	2003	2002	2001
	\$ 000	\$ 000	\$ 000
Geographical segment			
United Kingdom	(10,202)	(5,218)	32,037
Europe		(1,117)	(420)
North America	3,854	127	1,180
	(6,348)	(6,208)	32,797
Analysis by class of business	2003	2002	2001
	\$ 000	\$ 000	\$ 000
Turnover	Ψ 000	Ψ 000	Ψ 000
Royalties and product sales continuing operations	107	113	96
Discontinued operations	7,258	65,328	62,935
	7,365	65,441	63,031
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Long lived assets by geographical location	2003	2002	2001
2018 11 of about of geographical recation	\$ 000	\$ 000	\$ 000
United Kingdom	32,049	47,720	52,603
Europe	<b>5-,</b> 0.2	1,145	934
North America	731	976	1,051
	32,780	49,841	54,588
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# Significant customers

During the years ended 31 December the following percentages of the Group s revenues were from:

	2003	2002	2001	
	%	%	%	
Top customer		54	23	10

Next 4 largest **36** 56 26

For each of these three periods, the significant customers are located in the United States of America.

### Operating costs and assets and liabilities

The majority of operating costs and assets and liabilities serve the two classes of business, therefore it is not possible to analyse profit or loss before taxation or net assets between classes of business. The directors do not regard the level of sales between segments of the business to be significant and as a result these are not separately classified. These sales between group companies have been eliminated on consolidation.

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### 5. Cost of sales

	Note	2003	2002	2001
		\$ 000	\$ 000	\$ 000
Cost of sales		7,232	25,445	25,337
Exceptional item	3	4,680	4,654	
		11,912	30,099	25,337
Analysed:				
Continuing operations				
Discontinued operations		11,912	30,099	25,337
Total cost of sales		11,912	30,099	25,337

During 2003, the Company recorded charges of \$4,518,000 in respect of Permax inventory write-offs because of the deterioration in sales following the launch of a generic competitor in December 2002. Inventory losses of \$762,000 arose on the primary care line of products because of deteriorating sales and high in-market inventories. Offsetting these charges are \$600,000 reduction in Permax royalty relating to the exceptional reductions in revenues (see note 3).

During 2002, the Company recorded a charge for inventory write-offs due to the generic competition against Phrenilin with Caffeine and Codeine.

# **6.** Operating expenses

	Note	2003	2002	2001
		\$ 000	\$ 000	\$ 000
Aministrative and general expenses		11,363	12,050	8,222
Gain on renegotiation of related party liability	3,24,39	(7,500)		
Foreign exchange gain			(8,080)	
Amortisation of intangible fixed assets	18	5,466	2,864	2,778
Amortisation of Permax sales and marketing rights	18		4,556	20,046
Impairment of Moraxen carrying value	18		473	
Impairment of Primary Care Portfolio carrying value	18	695		
Impairment of Permax carrying value	18	9,400	38,309	
Total administrative expenses		19,424	50,172	31,046
Distribution costs - selling and marketing				
Discontinued operations		9,408	11,587	6,458
Analysed:				
Continuing operations		6,200	6,130	4,358
Discontinued operations		22,632	55,629	33,146

	28,832	61,759	37,504
Research and development costs			
Discontinued operations	5,442	6,213	5,066
Total operating expenses	34,274	67,972	42,570

Research and development costs include staff costs, professional and contractor fees, materials and external services.

### 7. Directors emoluments

	2003 \$ 000	2002 \$ 000	2001 \$ 000
Aggregate emoluments	1,137	1,405	1,220
Company pension contributions to money purchase schemes	30	35	29
	1,167	1,440	1,249

The Company paid pension contributions to money purchase pension schemes on behalf of one director (year to 31 December 2002 and 2001: one director).

T G Lynch waived emoluments in respect of the year ended 31 December 2003 amounting to \$41,000 (year to 31 December 2002 and 2001: \$40,000). Also, J Groom waived emoluments in respect of the year ended 31 December 2003 amounting to \$41,000 (year to 31 December 2002 and 2001; \$40,000).

Total remuneration of directors (including benefits in kind) includes amounts paid to:

### **Highest paid director**

	2003	2002	2001
	\$ 000	\$ 000	\$ 000
Aggregate emoluments	581	827	897
Company pension contributions to money purchase schemes	30	35	29
	611	862	926

# **8.** Employee information

The average monthly number of persons (including executive directors) employed by the Group during the year was:

	2003	2002	2001
	Number	Number	Number
Marketing and administration	50	58	30
Clinical and registration	5	6	7
Research and development	20	24	29
Computing	2	2	2
Laboratory	13	16	16
	90	106	84

	2003	2002	2001
	\$ 000	\$ 000	\$ 000
Staff costs (for the above persons):			
Wages and salaries	9,366	8,671	5,617
Social security costs	1,023	1,695	787
Other pension costs	160	375	250
	10,549	10,741	6,654

# 9. Profit/(loss) on disposal of discontinued operations

	2003	2002	2001
	\$ 000	\$ 000	\$ 000
(Loss) on disposal of South American transdermal business			(1,439)
Profit on sale Gacell Holdings AB and Amarin Development (Sweden) AB	13,076		
	13,076		(1,439)

On 28 October 2003, the Group disposed of its entire interests in its Swedish drug delivery and development business comprising Gacell Holdings AB and Amarin Development (Sweden) AB, as follows:

	\$ 000
Intangible fixed assets	145
Tangible fixed assets	1,029
Stock	59
Debtors	1,501
Cash	(329)
Creditors	(1,506)
	899
Profit on disposal	13,076
Consideration net of expenses and escrow	13,975
Gross proceeds	15,000
Less post closing working capital adjustment	(150)
Less retention for potential claims	(750)
Less legal fees	(125)
	13,975

As at 31 December 2003, \$600,000 of the consideration was outstanding and is included within other debtors.

The consolidated profit and loss account of Gacell and Amarin Development through the date of disposal, consolidated in the Group profit and loss account as discontinued operations is as follows:

	Year ended 31 December 2003 \$ 000	Year ended 31 December 2002 \$ 000	Year ended 31 December 2001 \$ 000
Turnover			
Royalties and product sales	2,860	3,716	4,456
Licensing and development fees	1,697	2,452	2,114
Services	19	874	586
Total turnover from discontinued operations	4,576	7,042	7,156
Cost of sales	(1,254)	(2,127)	(2,225)
Gross profit	3,322	4,915	4,931
Operating expenses			
Research and development	(3,731)	(4,173)	(3,281)
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(987)	(1,070)	(1,156)
Total operating expenses from discontinued operations	(4,718)	(5,243)	(4,437)
Operating (loss)/profit and (loss)/profit from discontinued operations	(1,396)	(328)	494
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The profit and loss account of the US business sold to Valeant Pharamaceuticals International on 25 February 2004 that is also considered in the Group profit and loss account as discontinued operations is as follows:

#### **US Business sold February 2004**

	Year ended	Year ended	Year ended
	31 December	31 December	31 December
	2003	2002	2001
	\$ 000	\$ 000	\$ 000
Turnover			
Royalties and product sales	2,683	57,647	51,472
Total turnover from discontinued operations	2,683	57,647	51,472
Cost of sales	(10,659)	(27,972)	(21,495)
Gross (loss)/ profit	(7,976)	29,675	29,977
Operating expenses			
Research and development	(1,711)	(1,861)	(1,341)
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(13,950)	(16,772)	(8,565)
Total operating expenses from discontinued operations	(15,661)	(18,633)	(9,906)
Operating (loss)/profit and (loss)/profit from discontinued operations	(23,637)	11,042	20,071

There were no disposals during 2002. On 30 November 2001 the Group concluded the sale of its 99.16% share of its South American transdermal patch product development business comprising the Group sentire interest in the business. The South American transdermal patch business was discontinued from that date. The consolidated profit and loss account contains a combined profit/(loss) on discontinued operations calculated as follows:

### South American transdermal patch business

	Year ended 31 December 2003 \$ 000	Year ended 31 December 2002 \$ 000	Year ended 31 December 2001 \$ 000
Turnover			
Royalties and product sales			3,278
Licensing and development fees			235
Services			69
Total turnover from discontinued operations			3,582
Cost of sales			(1,616)
Gross profit			1,966
Operating expenses - research and development			(493)
Selling, general and administrative expenses			(736)
Total operating expenses from discontinued operations			(1,229)

Operating profit		737
Exceptional cost of income/restructuring (see note 12)	1,077	1,183
Profit from discontinued operations	1,077	1,920

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### 10. Interest receivable and similar income

	2003	2002	2001
	\$ 000	\$ 000	\$ 000
Bank interest receivable and similar income	65	386	847
Other interest receivable		4	
Gain on disposal of current asset investments			34
	65	390	881

### 11. Interest payable and similar charges

	2003	2002	2001
	\$ 000	\$ 000	\$ 000
On bank overdrafts	3	5	23
On other loans	866	1,856	440
On finance leases	31	5	14
Other interest payable		483	
	900	2,349	477

In 2002, other interest payable comprises of interest payable on the under-provision of UK corporation tax relating to prior years (see note 14).

# 12. Exceptional income/restructuring

	2003 \$ 000	2002 \$ 000	2001 \$ 000
Discontinued operations restructuring			
Transdermal exceptional profit		1,077	1,183
		1,077	1,183

The exceptional income in both 2002 and 2001 represents the release of provisions established on the 1999 disposal of the transdermal business.

# 13. (Loss) on ordinary activities before taxation

2003	2002	2001
2003	2002	2001

	\$ 000	\$ 000	\$ 000
(Loss) on ordinary activities before taxation is stated after charging:			
Depreciation/amortisation charge for the period:			
Intangible fixed assets	5,466	7,420	22,824
Tangible owned fixed assets	417	721	481
Tangible fixed assets held under finance leases Auditors remuneration for audit (company \$267,000, year to 31 December 2002: \$248,000, year to 31 December 2001; \$182,000)	134	145	153
Statutory audit services	157	190	214
Further assurance services	255	75	
Auditors remuneration for non-audit work			
Tax services			
Compliance services	25	24	23
Advisory services	90	110	264
Operating lease charges			
Plant and machinery	85	16	5
Other	1,174	1,645	628
(Gain) on disposal of fixed assets		(11)	(14)
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### 14. Taxation

	2003	2002	2001
	\$ 000	\$ 000	\$ 000
Tax on loss on ordinary activities:			
United Kingdom corporation tax at 30%: current year			266
Under/(over) provision in respect of prior years		2,611	(20)
Overseas taxation: current year	144	924	290
Total current tax	144	3,535	536
Deferred tax credit	<b>(7,500</b> )		
Total tax	(7,356)	3,535	536

During 2002, the Company provided for \$2,611,000 in respect of prior years corporation tax payable. Of this, \$2,584,000 relates to the gain arising on the disposal of the transdermal business in 1999.

The following items represent the principal reasons for the differences between corporate income taxes computed at the United Kingdom statutory tax rate and the total current tax charge for the year.

	2003	2002	2001
	\$ 000	\$ 000	\$ 000
(Loss) on ordinary activities before tax	(26,580)	(33,512)	(4,728)
(Loss) on ordinary activities multiplied by			
standard rate of corporate tax in the UK of 30%	(7,974)	(10,054)	(1,418)
Overseas tax and adjustments in respect of foreign tax rates	35	939	290
Accelerated capital allowances and other short term timing differences	14,847	3,360	1,441
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	(6,764)	6,679	243
Adjustments to tax charge in respect of previous period		2,611	(20)
Total current tax	144	3,535	536

In the UK, the applicable statutory rate for Corporate income tax was 30% for the years ended 31 December 2001, 2002 and 2003.

The corporate tax rate in Sweden is 28%. A loss sustained in any income year may be carried forward and deducted from taxable income during the next and subsequent years. No carryback is permitted. The corporate tax rate in the United States is 34%. For tax years beginning after August 5, 1997, companies may generally carry back net operating losses two years and forwards twenty years.

Losses carried forward in the continuing UK Company at 31 December 2003 were \$41,690,000 (31 December 2002: \$53,985,000, 31 December 2001: \$46,438,000) subject to confirmation by UK tax authorities. Under UK tax law, these losses can be carried forward indefinitely for set off against future profits of the same trade.

A deferred tax asset of \$7,500,000 representing the deferred tax credit has been recognised by the Company and the Group in 2003, (2002 and 2001 \$Nil) as the Company will utilise timing differences that reverse in 2004 against a gain on the settlement of Elan debt that will arise in that year. In 2003, 2002 and 2001 high levels of corporate tax losses carried forward and insufficient certainty of future profitability resulted in unrecognised potential deferred tax assets of \$25,301,000, \$29,405,000 and \$13,523,000 respectively.

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During the years ended 31 December 2003 and 2002 the main reconciling items in arriving at the current tax charge related to accelerated capital allowances, other short term timing differences and expenses not deductible for tax purposes. The main timing difference related to losses that were carried forward for set off against future profits of the same trade. The expenses not deductible for tax purposes principally related to the diminution in value of intangible fixed assets. During the year ended 31 December 2001, the main reconciling item in arriving at the current tax charge related to accelerated capital allowances and other short term timing differences. The main timing difference related to losses that were carried forward for set off against future profits of the same trade.

No tax liability arose on the disposal of Amarin Development (Sweden) AB.

### 15. Loss for the financial period

As permitted by section 230 of the Companies Act 1985, the Company s profit and loss account has not been included in these financial statements. Of the consolidated loss attributable to the shareholders of Amarin Corporation plc a loss of \$31,254,000 (31 December 2002: loss of \$37,625,000, 31 December 2001: loss of \$5,562,000) has been dealt with in the financial statements of the Company.

### **16.** (Loss) per ordinary share

The (loss) per ordinary share are as follows:

	2003	2002	2001
Net (loss) attributable to ordinary shareholders (\$ 000)	(19,224)	(37,047)	(5,264)
Basic (loss) per ordinary share (US cents)	(112.5)	(398.5)	(73.9)
Fully diluted (loss) per ordinary share (US cents)	(112.5)	(398.5)	(73.9)
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue	17,093,400	9,297,200	7,124,700
Dilutive impact of cumulative preference shares		2,000,000	4,129,800
Dilutive impact of share options outstanding	3,900	565,500	765,800
Fully diluted average number of ordinary shares in issue	17,097,300	11,862,700	