

# Auditor's statement pursuant to Chapter 8, Section 54 of the Swedish Companies Act (2005:551) regarding whether the guidelines for remuneration to senior executives adopted by the annual general meeting of shareholders have been complied with

To the annual general meeting of shareholders in Ascelia Pharma AB (publ), Corporate Identity Number 556571-8797

We have performed procedures to determine whether the Board of Directors and the Managing Director of Ascelia Pharma AB (publ) have, for the financial year 2020-01-01 - 2020-12-31 complied with the guidelines for remuneration to senior executives adopted by the annual general meetings of shareholders held on 14 November 2019 and 6 May 2020, respectively.

#### Responsibilities of the Board of Directors and the Managing Director

The Board of Directors and the Managing Director are responsible for compliance with the guidelines and for such internal control as the Board of Directors and the Managing Director determine is necessary to ensure compliance with the guidelines.

## Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion, based on our procedures, to the annual general meeting of shareholders regarding as to whether the guidelines for remuneration to senior executives have been complied with. We conducted our procedures in accordance with FAR's recommendation, RevR 8 *Examination of remuneration to senior executives of listed companies*. This recommendation requires that we comply with ethical requirements and have planned and performed the procedures to obtain reasonable assurance that the guidelines adopted by the annual general meeting of shareholders have, in all material aspects, been complied with. The firm applies ISQC 1 (International Standard on Quality Control) and accordingly maintains a comprehensive system of quality control including documented policies and procedures regarding compliance with ethical requirements, professional standards and applicable legal and regulatory requirements.

We are independent of the Ascelia Pharma AB (publ) in accordance with professional ethics for accountants in Sweden and have otherwise fulfilled our ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

The procedures have involved the company's organisation for and documentation of matters pertaining to remuneration to senior executives, recent resolutions regarding remuneration and a selection of payments made to senior executives during the financial year. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risk that the guidelines have not, in all material aspects, been complied with. In making this risk assessment, the auditor considers the aspects of internal control relevant to compliance with the guidelines, in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the company's internal control

We believe that the procedures performed provide a reasonable basis for our opinion below.

## Opinion

In our opinion, the Board of Directors and the Managing Director of Ascelia Pharma AB (publ) have, for the financial year 2020-01-01 - 2020-12-31, complied with the guidelines for remuneration to senior executives adopted by the annual general meetings of shareholders held on 14 November 2019 and 6 May 2020, respectively.

#### Malmö 30 March, 2021

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