



Companies House
for the record

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Return by a company purchasing its own shares

Pursuant to section 169 of the Companies Act 1985

Please complete in typescript,
or in bold black capitals
CHFP000

Company number 2723534

Company name
in full

ASTRAZENECA PLC

Note
This return must be delivered to the Registrar within a period of 28 days beginning with the first date on which shares to which it relates were delivered to the company

† A private company is not required to give this information

Shares were purchased by the company under section 162 of the above Act as follows

Class of shares	ORDINARY	ORDINARY	ORDINARY
Number of shares purchased	900,000	1,000,000	800,000
Nominal value of each share	US\$0 25	US\$0 25	US\$0 25
Date(s) on which shares were delivered to the company	13/11/07	15/11/07	20/11/07
Maximum prices paid for each share †	2201 9994p	2139 4306p	2201.69p
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The aggregate amount paid by the company for the shares to which this return relates was

£58,825,820 60

If the amount or value of the consideration is more than £1,000

Stamp Duty is payable on the aggregate amount at the rate of £ 294,130 00
0.5 % rounded up to the nearest multiple of £5

Please do not write in the space below. For HM Revenue & Customs only, where the amount or value of the consideration exceeds £1,000

This section only applies to companies which have repurchased shares on or after 13 March 2008

To be completed by companies where the amount or the value of the consideration is £1,000 or less

"I / We" certify that the transaction effected by this instrument does not form part of a larger transaction or series of transactions in respect of which the amount or value, or aggregate amount or value, of the consideration exceeds £1,000"

Signature

Signature

Date

13 JUN 2008

* Please delete as appropriate

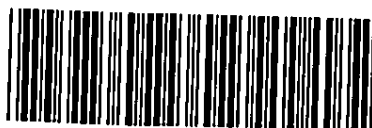
(~~director~~ / secretary / ~~administrator~~ / ~~administrative receiver~~ / receiver (Scotland))

Contact details

You do not have to give any contact information in the box opposite but if you do, it will help Companies House to contact you if there is a query on the form. The contact information that you give will be visible to searchers of the public record

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When you have completed and signed the form please send it to the Registrar of Companies at

Companies House, Crown Way, Cardiff, Wales, CF14 3UZ
DX 33050 Cardiff
for companies registered in England and Wales, or

Companies House, 37 Castle Terrace, Edinburgh, Scotland, EH1 2EB
DX ED235 Edinburgh 1 or LP - 4 Edinburgh 2 (legal post)
for companies registered in Scotland

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- 1 Before this form is delivered to Companies House, if the amount or value of the consideration is more than £1,000 it must be "stamped" by HM Revenue & Customs' Stamp Office to confirm that the appropriate amount of Stamp Duty has been paid. HM Revenue & Customs' Stamp Office is located at

HMRC Stamp Office
9th Floor
City Centre House
30 Union Street
Birmingham
B2 4AR

Tel 0845 6030135

Cheques for Stamp Duty must be made payable to "HM Revenue & Customs, Stamp Taxes" and crossed "Not Transferable"

NOTE This form must be presented to the HM Revenue & Customs' Stamp Office for stamping together with the payment of duty within 30 days of the purchase of the shares, otherwise HM Revenue & Customs penalties may be incurred

- 2 After this form has been "stamped" and returned to you by HM Revenue & Customs it must be sent to

For companies registered in

England or Wales

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