CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER 1036260

COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER 2882989

EUROPEAN RESPIRATORY SOCIETY (UK) LIMITED

(LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2013

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EUROPEAN RESPIRATORY SOCIETY (UK) LIMITED (LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Directors

Dr M Gaga

Dr G Joos

Chief Executive Officer

Dr G Joos

Secretary

Dr G Joos

Charity number

1036260

Company number

2882989

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EUROPEAN RESPIRATORY SOCIETY (UK) LIMITED (LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) DIRECTORS' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2013

The directors present their report and accounts for the year ended 31 March 2013

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Companies Act 2006 and the Statement of Recommended Practice, "Accounting and Reporting by Charities", issued in March 2005

Structure, governance and management

The charity is a registered charity and is also a company limited by guarantee under the provisions of the Companies Act 2006. The charitable company does not have any share capital

The directors who served during the year were

Dr M Gaga

Dr G Joos

The directors are appointed by the Executive Committee of the ultimate controlling party, European Respiratory Society, which is based in Switzerland. It is the normal duty of the Secretary General and Treasurer of the Executive Committee to become directors of the charitable company.

The directors are appointed to the charitable company at an appropriate meeting. Private meetings are held with them, the present directors, the ERS Executive Manager and the ERS UK Publications Manager. New directors also spend a minimum of one day in the ERS offices in Sheffield being introduced to staff, the corporate structure and operations and the related activities of the charitable company.

All decisions relating to the granting of Scientific Research Fellowships, the sole activity of the charitable company, are made by the directors

None of the directors has any beneficial interest in the company

The directors have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks

The major risk to which the charitable company is exposed is the non-receipt of donations. The charitable company's source of donation is from the UK branch of European Respiratory Society. The UK branch pays its taxable distributable profits to the charitable company. It is foreseen that the non-receipt of donations would only happen if the UK branch did not make any profit. To limit this risk the UK branch endeavours to market subscriptions and advertising space.

EUROPEAN RESPIRATORY SOCIETY (UK) LIMITED (LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2013

Objectives and activities

Since the charitable company began its operations on 21 December 1993, its principal activity has been to promote the relief and care of respiratory disorders by aiding research into this area. Donations totalling £131,300 (2012 £26,144) have been made during the year

The directors have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity's aims and objectives and in planning future activities. All the activities are undertaken to further the charity's charitable purposes for the public benefit

The activities of the charitable company during the year were focused around furthering the cause of respiratory medicine throughout the world with particular emphasis on Third World countries, Eastern Bloc countries, Southern Europe and parts of South America The directors feel that good progress has been made in meeting the aims of the charitable company and intend continuing with these activities in the future

The grant making policy of the charitable company offers fellowship schemes for professionals actively engaged in clinical and basic research in respiratory medicine and pulmonary practice to carry out specific research and clinical projects or obtain training in a clinical or research unit in another European country

Achievements and performance

Details of the achievements of the charity during the year are given under 'objectives and activities'

Financial review

The total income received from the UK branch of European Respiratory Society amounted to £351,313 (2012 £27,264) Expenditure in respect of grants and fellowships increased from £26,144 in 2012 to £131,300 in 2013 This has meant net income of £206,535 in 2013 compared to net income of £552 in 2012 The directors consider that the financial position of the charitable company is satisfactory as at 31 March 2013

The charitable company's policy is to retain general reserves equivalent to cover the funding of one research grant per year. The actual level of freely available general reserves held at 31 March 2013 was £212,249

EUROPEAN RESPIRATORY SOCIETY (UK) LIMITED (LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2013

Statement of directors' responsibilities

The directors, who also act as trustees for the charitable activities of European Respiratory Society (UK) Limited, are responsible for preparing the Directors' Report and the accounts in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

Company law requires the directors to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that year

In preparing these accounts, the directors are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently,
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP,
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent,
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the accounts, and
- prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Disclosure of information to auditors

Each of the directors has confirmed that there is no information of which they are aware which is relevant to the audit, but of which the auditor is unaware. They have further confirmed that they have taken appropriate steps to identify such relevant information and to establish that the auditors are aware of such information.

On behalf of the board of directors

Dr. M. Gaga

Director

Dated 7 September 2013



6 Broadfield Court Broadfield Way Sheffield S8 0XF

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF EUROPEAN RESPIRATORY SOCIETY (UK) LIMITED

We have audited the accounts of European Respiratory Society (UK) Limited for the year ended 31 March 2013 set out on pages 6 to 12. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

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

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As explained more fully in the statement of directors' responsibilities, the directors, who also act as trustees for the charitable activities of European Respiratory Society (UK) Limited, are responsible for the preparation of the accounts and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view

Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the accounts in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

Scope of the audit of the accounts

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the accounts sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the accounts are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the charity's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed, the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the directors, and the overall presentation of the accounts. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Directors' Annual Report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited accounts. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF EUROPEAN RESPIRATORY SOCIETY (UK) LIMITED (CONTINUED)

Opinion on accounts

In our opinion the accounts

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2013 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended,
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006

Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the Directors' Report for the financial year for which the accounts are prepared is consistent with the accounts

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

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

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

Roland Givans (Senior Statutory Auditor) for and on behalf of UHY Wingfield Slater Limited

Chartered Accountants Statutory Auditor

Dated 7 September 2013

EUROPEAN RESPIRATORY SOCIETY (UK) LIMITED (LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2013

	Notes	2013 £	2012 £
Incoming resources from generated funds			
Incoming resources from charitable activities	2	351,313	27,264
Resources expended	3		
Charitable activities			
The relief and care of respiratory disorders		143,215	25,448
Governance costs		1,563	1,264
Total resources expended		144,778	26,712
Net income for the year/			
Net movement in funds		206,535	552
Fund balances at 1 April 2012		5,714	5,162
Fund balances at 31 March 2013		212,249	5,714

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006 and has been prepared on the basis that all operations are continuing

EUROPEAN RESPIRATORY SOCIETY (UK) LIMITED (LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2013

	2013		20	12
Notes	£	£	£	£
	227,942		19,246	
11	(15,693)		(13,532)	
		212,249	:	5,714
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The accounts were approved by the Board on 7 September 2013

Dr M Gaga Director

Company Registration No. 2882989

Dr Joos

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2013

1 Accounting policies

1.1 Basis of preparation

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards, the Statement of Recommended Practice, "Accounting and Reporting by Charities", issued in March 2005 and the Companies Act 2006

1.2 Incoming resources

Income from charitable activities are recognised as incoming resources when receivable, except insofar as they are incapable of financial measurement

1.3 Resources expended

Resources expended are recognised in the year in which they are incurred and include irrecoverable VAT Resources expended are allocated to headings in the statement of financial activities based on the actual purpose of the expenditure. No apportionments have taken place

Grants payable in furtherance of the charitable company's objects represents grants and fellowships payable to beneficiaries together with directly related expenditure associated with these ie exchange rate gains/losses, bank transfer charges

Governance costs represents costs of managing and administering the charitable company as a statutory vehicle

1.4 Foreign currencies

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded using the rate of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated using the rate of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date and the gains and losses on translation are included in the statement of financial activities.

1.5 Grants payable in the furtherance of the charitable company's objects

Grants payable represents the amounts awarded to beneficiaries and payable during the period in which the grant is awarded

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2	Incoming resources from charitable activities	S			
				2013 £	2012 £
	The relief and care of respiratory disorders			351,313	27,264
	Included within income relating to the relief and	d care of respira	tory disorders	are the follow	wing grants
	Income receivable from European Respiratory S Charitable donation Donation towards reimbursement of expenses	Society UK Brai	nch	350,000 1,313	26,000 1,264
				351,313	27,264
3	Total resources expended	Other costs £	Grant funding £	Total 2013 £	Total 2012 £
	Charitable activities The relief and care of respiratory disorders				
	Activities undertaken directly	11,915	-	11,915	(696)
	Grant funding of activities	-	131,300	131,300	26,144
	Total	11,915	131,300	143,215	25,448
	Governance costs	1,563	-	1,563	1,264
		13,478	131,300	144,778	26,712
	Governance costs includes payments to the aud	itors of £1,550 ((2012 £1,250) for audit fee	s
4	Activities undertaken directly			2013 £	2012 £
	Other costs relating to the relief and care of res Exchange rate variances Bank charges	piratory disorde	rs comprise	11,908	(703) 7
				11,915	(696)

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5	Grants payable	2013	2012
		£	£
	The relief and care of respiratory disorders	131,300	26,144
	Fellowships totalling £131,300 were made to 6 individuals during the year		
6	Governance costs	2013	2012
		£	£
	Other governance costs comprise		
	Audit fee	1,550	1,250
	Legal and professional fees	13	14
		1,563	1,264

7 Directors

None of the directors (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration during the year, and none of them were reimbursed any expenses for either the charitable company or its subsidiary

8 Employees

There were no employees during the year

9 Taxation

On the basis of these financial statements no provision has been made for corporation tax

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10	Fixed asset investments	Investments in subsidiaries
		£
	Historical cost	
	At 31 March 2013	-
	At 31 March 2012	<u>-</u>

The charitable company was given the whole of the issued share capital of European Respiratory Society Journals Limited, a company incorporated in England and Wales, on 22 September 1995 This company only had one transaction during the year being £13 administrative expenses

Holdings of more than 20%

The company holds more than 20% of the share capital of the following companies

Company	Country of registration or incorporation	S	Shares held	
		Class	%	
Subsidiary undertakings European Respiratory Society Journals Limited	England and Wales	Ordinary		100

The aggregate amount of capital and reserves and the results of these undertakings for the last relevant financial year were as follows

	Principal Activities	Capital and reserves	Profit/(loss) for the year £
European Respiratory Society Journals Limited	Not trading	825	(13)

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11	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2013 £	2012 £
	Amounts owed to group undertakings Accruals	14,193 1,500	12,282 1,250
		15,693	13,532

12 Related parties

The ultimate controlling party is European Respiratory Society, which is based in Switzerland. It is unknown whether any individual has control over that organisation. European Respiratory Society (being the smallest and largest group of which the charitable company is a member for which group financial statements are prepared) prepares group accounts and copies can be obtained from 4 Ave Sainte-Luce, CH-1003, Lausanne, Switzerland

The charitable company has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard Number 8 from the requirement to disclose transactions with group companies on the grounds that consolidated financial statements are prepared by the ultimate parent company