Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 December 2013

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# **Company Information**

Directors

D Hunter A P D Gourjon X G U Roy Contancin

S G McCue

Company secretary

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Registered office

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Auditors

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Chartered Accountant and Statutory Auditor

1 Embankment Place

London WC2N 6RH

## Strategic Report for the Year Ended 31 December 2013

The directors present their strategic report for the year ended 31 December 2013.

#### Fair review of the business and future developments

The company's activities have remained unchanged all year and the directors do not foresee any alteration to its activities as an investment holding company in the foreseeable future.

The company's loss for the year is £11,000 (2012: loss of £444,000).

#### Key performance indicators ("KPI's")

Given the straightforward nature of the business, the company's directors are of the opinion that analysis by using KPIs is not necessary for an understanding of the development, performance and position of the business.

#### Principal risks and uncertainties

The management of the business and the execution of the company's strategy are subject to the following risks:

All borrowings are through a group treasury department, based in Paris, which operates a base rate plus system, so the company is exposed to interest rate volatility. The company operates in foreign currencies and is open to currency fluctuations.

Approved by the Board on 22 August 2014 and signed on its behalf by:

S G McCue Director

# Directors' Report for the Year Ended 31 December 2013

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2013.

#### Principal activity

The principal activity of the company is that of an investment holding company holding shares in subsidiary undertakings, situated in the United Kingdom and overseas, which are principally engaged in the sale of paper and paper products.

#### Dividends

The directors recommend a final dividend payment of £0 be made in respect of the financial year ended 31 December 2013 (2012: £0).

#### Directors of the company

The directors who held office during the year and up to the date of signing the financial statements were as follows:

D Hunter

A P D Gourjon

X G U Roy Contancin

S G McCue

J H Arrowsmith - (resigned 8 April 2013)

F J M Bernet - (resigned 8 April 2013)

#### Directors' indemnity statement

As permitted by the Articles of Association, the directors have the benefit of an indemnity, which is a qualifying third party indemnity provision as defined by Section 234 of the Companies Act 2006. The indemnity was in force throughout the financial year and is currently in force. The company also purchased and maintained throughout the financial year Directors' and Officers' liability insurance in respect of itself and the directors.

# Directors' Report for the Year Ended 31 December 2013

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#### Disclosure of information to the auditor

Each director has taken steps that they ought to have taken as a director in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditor is aware of that information. The directors confirm that there is no relevant information that they know of and which they know the auditor is unaware of.

#### Directors' responsibilities statement

The directors are responsible for preparing the Strategic Report, Directors' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have prepared the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- · select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- · make judgements and accounting 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 financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

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

Approved by the Board on 22 August 2014 and signed on its behalf by:

S G McCue Director

# Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Antalis Group

## Report on the financial statements

#### Our opinion

In our opinion the financial statements, defined below:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2013 and of its loss for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice;
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

This opinion is to be read in the context of what we say in the remainder of this report.

#### What we have audited

The financial statements, which are prepared by Antalis Group, comprise:

- the balance sheet as at 31 December 2013;
- the profit and loss account for the year then ended; and
- the notes to the financial statements, which include a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

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).

In applying the financial reporting framework, the directors have made a number of subjective judgements, for example in respect of significant accounting estimates. In making such estimates, they have made assumptions and considered future events.

#### What an audit of financial statements involves

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) ("ISAs (UK & Ireland)"). An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of:

- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company'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 financial statements.

In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the annual report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

#### Opinion on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion:

The information given in the Strategic Report and Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

# Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Antalis Group

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#### Other matters on which we are required to report by exception

#### Adequacy of accounting records and information and explanations received

Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion:

- We have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns.

We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

#### Director's remuneration

Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion, certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made. We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

#### Responsibilities for the financial statements and the audit

#### Our responsibilities and those of the directors

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibility Statement (set out on page 4), the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view.

Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements 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 (APB's) Ethical Standards for Auditors.

This report, including the opinions, has been prepared for and only for the company's members as a body in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving these opinions, accept or assume responsibility for any other porpose or to any other person to whom this report is show or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

Simon O'Brien (Senior Statutory Auditor)

For and on behalf of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, Statutory Auditor

1 Embankment Place London WC2N 6RH

22 August 2014

Antalis Group

Profit and Loss Account for the Year Ended 31 December 2013

	Note	2013 £ 000	2012 £ 000
Administrative expenses		(141)	8
Other operating income		142	142
Operating profit	2	1	150
Other interest receivable and similar income	. 5	97	114
Amounts written off investments		• <u>-</u>	(577)
Interest payable and similar charges	6	(109)	(131)
Loss on ordinary activities before taxation		(11)	(444)
Loss for the financial year	12	(11)	(444)

The operating loss derives wholly from continuing operations.

The company has no recognised gains or losses other than those included in the profit and loss account above and therefore no separate statement of total recognised gains and losses has been presented.

There are no material differences between the loss on ordinary activities before taxation and the loss for the financial years stated above and their historical cost equivalents.

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# **Balance Sheet at 31 December 2013**

	Note	2013 £ 000	2012 £ 000
Fixed assets			•
Investments	8	127,463	127,463
Current assets			
Debtors	9	9,858	9,761
Cash at bank and in hand		86	117
		9,944	9,878
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	10	(1,891)	(1,814)
Net current assets		8,053	8,064
Net assets		135,516	135,527
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	. 11	220,471	220,471
Share premium account	12	500	500
Profit and loss account	12	(85,455)	(85,444)
Shareholders' funds	13	135,516	135,527

These financial statements on pages 7 to 14 were approved by the Board on 22 August 2014 and signed on its behalf by:

S G McCue Director

# Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2013

#### . 1 Accounting policies

#### Basis of preparation

The financial statements are prepared on the going concern basis, under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Companies Act 2006 and applicable accounting standards in the United Kingdom. The principal accounting policies, which have been consistently applied, are set out below.

The financial statements contain information about Antalis Group as an individual company and do not contain consolidated financial information as the parent of a group. The company is exempt under section 400 of the Companies Act 2006 from the requirement to prepare consolidated financial statements as it and its subsidiary undertakings are included by full consolidation in the consolidated financial statements of its parent Sequana SA (formerly Sequana Capital SA), a company registered in France, and is included in the consolidated financial statements of Sequana SA (formerly Sequana Capital SA), which are publicly available.

#### Cash flow statement and related party transactions

The company is a wholly owned subsidiary company of a group headed by Antalis International SAS and is included in the consolidated financial statements of that company, which are publicly available (note 14). Consequently, the company has taken advantage of the exemption within FRS 1 (revised 1996) 'Cash flow statements' from preparing a cash flow statement.

The company has taken advantage of the exemption under paragraph 3(c) from the provisions of FRS8, 'Related Party Disclosures', on the grounds that it is a wholly owned subsidiary of a group headed by Antalis International SAS.

# Income from group companies

Income from group companies comprises dividends receivable on investments in other group companies, which are recognised as income once they are formally approved.

#### Foreign currency

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate ruling at the date of the transaction. All monetary assets and liabilities expressed in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate of exchange ruling at the end of the financial year. Differences between the translated transactions and subsequent cash settlements are taken as gains or losses to the profit and loss account.

# Deferred tax

The charge for taxation is based on the result for the year and takes into account taxation deferred because of timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes. Deferred tax is recognised, without discounting, in respect of all timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes which have arisen but not reversed by the balance sheet date, except as otherwise required by Financial Reporting Standard 19.

A net deferred tax asset is recognised as recoverable and therefore recognised only when, on the basis of all evidence, it can be regarded as more likely than not there will be suitable taxable profits against which to recover carried forward tax losses and from which the future reversal of underlying timing differences can be deducted. Deferred tax is measured at the average tax rates that are expected to apply in the periods in which timing differences are expected to reverse, based on tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date. Deferred tax is measured on an undiscounted basis.

# Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2013

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#### Investments

Fixed asset investments are shown at cost less any provision for impairment. The carrying value of investments is reviewed on an annual basis and is shown at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

### 2 Operating profit

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Operating profit is stated after charging:

Operating profit is stated after charging.	2013 £ 000	2012 £ 000
Foreign currency gains Auditor's remuneration	3	(31)
Auditor's remuneration		
	2013 £ 000	2012 £ 000
Audit of the financial statements	. 3	3

# 4 Particulars of employees

The directors are or were employees of other group companies and their emoluments and contributions to pension schemes on their behalf are paid by other group companies. Their services to the company are of a non executive nature and their remuneration, including pension benefits, is deemed to be wholly attributable to their services to other group companies. Accordingly, none of the directors received any remuneration for their services as a director of the company during the year (2012: none).

The company had no other employees during the year (2012: none).

#### 5 Other interest receivable and similar income

			2013 E 000		2012 £ 000	
	Other interest receivable	<u> </u>	9	<del>97</del> —		114
6	Interest payable and similar charges	·				
		-	2013 E 000		2012 £ 000	
	Interest on loans from group undertakings		10	09		131
		,	10	09		131

#### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2013

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#### 7 Taxation

Tax on loss on ordinary activities

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	2013	2012
	. £ 000	£ 000
Current tax		,
Corporation tax credit	(3)	-
Losses surrendered to fellow group undertakings for no consideration	3	-
UK Corporation tax	_	· -

#### Factors affecting current tax charge for the year

Tax on loss on ordinary activities for the year is higher than (2012 - higher than) the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 23.25% (2012 - 24.5%).

The differences are reconciled below:

	2013 £ 000	2012 £ 000
Loss on ordinary activities before taxation	(11)	(444)
Corporation tax at standard rate	(3)	(109)
Profit on write off of inter company creditor not taxable	-	(29)
Amounts written off investments not tax deductible	-	141
Dividend income not liable to UK corporation tax	-	(3)
Group losses surrendered to fellow group undertaking	3	-
Total current tax		-

#### Factors that may affect future tax charges

At 31 December 2013 the company has an unrecognised deferred tax asset relating to accelerated depreciation and losses carried forward. The recovery of this asset is dependent upon the continued operating profitability of the company. With the current level of uncertainty of operating conditions in the UK market, the timing of recovery is not sufficiently clear to justify recognition of this deferred tax asset. The amount not recognised in the period was £131,000 (31 December 2012 - £147,000).

During the year, the UK corporation tax rate changed to 23% from 24%, which was substantively enacted on 3 July 2012 and was effective from 1 April 2013. Further reductions to the UK corporation tax were substantively enacted on 2 July 2013, with the rate reduced from 23% to 21% from 1 April 2014. The rate drops to 20% from 1 April 2015.

# Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2013

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# 8 Investments held as fixed assets

# Shares in group undertakings and participating interests

	Subsidiary undertakings £ 000	Total £ 000
Cost		
At 1 January 2013	183,325	183,325
Disposals	(4,915)	(4,915)
At 31 December 2013	178,410	178,410
Provision for impairment		
At 1 January 2013	55,862	55,862
Eliminated on disposal	(4,915)	(4,915)
At 31 December 2013	50,947	50,947
Net book value		
At 31 December 2013	127,463	127,463
At 31 December 2012	127,463	127,463

# Details of undertakings

Details of the investments which the company holds are as follows:

Undertaking	Holding	Proportion of voting rights and shares held	Principal activity
Subsidiary undertakings Antalis Holdings Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Holding company
Antalis Overseas Holdings Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Holding company
Inversiones Antalis Holdings Limitada	Ordinary shares	12.89%	Holding company
Antalis Limited	Ordinary Shares	100%	Paper Merchant
Antalis Botswana (Proprietary) Limited	Ordinary shares	100%	Paper Merchant

# Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2013

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Inversiones Antalis Holdings Limitada is incorporated in Chile and Antalis Botswana (Proprietary) Limited is incorporated in Botswana.

During 2013, Antalis SA Holdings Limited was struck off from the Companies House register. The above disposal and release of the provision represents the disposal of the investment in this company.

The directors believe the carrying value of the investments is supported by their underlying net assets.

#### 9 Debtors

	2013 £ 000	2012 £ 000
Amounts owed by group undertakings  Amounts owed by undertakings in which the company has a participating	9,798	9,701
interest	36 ·	35
Prepayments and accrued income	. 24	25
	9,858	9,761

The loan is owed from Antalis International SAS. The loan is repayable on demand. The interest is calculated daily at LIBOR plus 0.5% (2012: LIBOR plus 0.5%)

#### 10 Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2013 £ 000	2012 £ 000
Amounts owed to group undertakings	1,889	1,780
Accruals and deferred income	2	34
	1,891	1,814

The loan is due to Antalis Holdings Limited, a fellow group company, and is unsecured and repayable on demand. Interest is calculated daily at LIBOR plus 5.748% (2012: LIBOR plus 8.68%).

#### 11 Share capital

## Allotted, called up and fully paid shares

	2013		2012	
	No. 000	£ 000	No. 000	£ 000
Ordinary shares of £1 each	220,471	220,471	220,471	220,471

# Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2013

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#### 12 Reserves

	Share premium account £ 000	Profit and loss account £ 000	Total £ 000
At 1 January 2013	500	(85,444)	(84,944)
Loss for the year		(11)	. (11)
At 31 December 2013	500	(85,455)	(84,955)
13 Reconciliation of movement in shareholders' funds		2013 £ 000	2012 £ 000
Loss attributable to the members of the company New share capital subscribed		(11)	(444) 43,544
Net (reduction)/addition to shareholders' funds		(11)	43,100
Shareholders' funds at 1 January		135,527	92,427
Shareholders' funds at 31 December		135,516	135,527

#### 14 Contingent liabilities

The company has guaranteed a lease in favour of Antalis SNC for an amount of €223,000 (£186,000) (2012: €223,000 (£181,000)). The company is also the beneficiary of a counter guarantee for the above amounts from Antalis International SAS.

#### 15 Control

The company is controlled by Antalis International SAS, a company registered in France. Sequana SA (formerly Sequana Capital S.A.), a Company registered in France, is the parent undertaking of the smallest group of undertakings to consolidate these financial statements. A copy of the consolidated financial statements of that company can be obtained from the Company Secretary at the following address:

19 Avenue Montaigne 75008 Paris .