

eResearchTechnology UK 1 Limited

**Directors' report and financial
statements**

Registered number 07255547

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31 December 2010

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Directors' report

The directors present their annual report on the affairs of the Company, together with the financial statements and auditors' report, for the period ended 31 December 2010

Principal activity

The Company is a holding company whose subsidiary's principal activity is the provision of cardiac data analysis services

Business review

The Company was incorporated on May 17 2010 The Company owns 100% of the share capital of eResearchTechnology UK 2 Limited The Company's immediate parent company is eResearchTechnology, Inc

The Company has been established to act solely as a financial holding company and to perform group management functions

The new organisational structure comprises of two UK holding companies, eResearchTechnology UK 1 Ltd and eResearchTechnology UK 2 Ltd being added to the ERT group in a linear structure owned by eResearchTechnology, Inc eResearchTechnology UK 2 Ltd now wholly owns eResearchTechnology Ltd which in turn owns ERT Europe GmbH and part owns a partnership (ERT GmbH & Co KG)

Market risk

The directors have considered the current business environment and believe that, as the Company's group operates in the pharmaceutical and biotechnology industries, providing cardiac data analysis services to mostly large, global companies which continue to spend on new clinical trials and be concerned about the safety of new drugs on the heart, there is minimal risk to the group's revenue streams from the recent economic downturn

Principal Risks and Uncertainties

The Company's group operates in a market that is intensely competitive, continuously evolving and subject to rapid technological change Increased competition could result in price reductions, reduced gross margins and loss of market share

Our primary financial market risks include fluctuations in interest rates and currency exchange rates

Interest Rate Risk

Our Parent Company places investments in money market funds, municipal securities, bonds of government sponsored agencies, certificates of deposit with fixed rates with maturities of less than one year, and A1P1 rated commercial bonds and paper Due to the current financial market conditions, the group have invested primarily in liquid money market funds Due to the average maturity and conservative nature of our investment portfolio, a sudden change in interest rates would not have a material effect on the value of the portfolio The impact on the group's future interest income of future changes in investment yields will depend largely on the gross amount of the group's cash, cash equivalents, short-term investments and long-term investments

Foreign Currency Risk

All transactions are incurred in either US Dollars or Pounds Sterling As such, we face exposure to adverse movements in the exchange rate of the Pounds Sterling and US Dollars

Directors' report *(continued)*

Results and dividends

The results for the period are shown in the profit and loss account on page 5. The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend.

Directors and their interests

The directors who held office during the period were as follows

M McKelvey	American	(resigned 21 December 2010)
J Blakeley	British	
K Schneck	American	
S Eisenstein	American	
J Bobbin	British	(resigned 1 December 2010)
E Bartlett	British	

Certain directors benefited from qualifying third party indemnity provisions in place during the financial period and at the date of this report

Political and Charitable contributions

The Company made no political donations or incurred any political expenditure during the period. The Company made no charitable donations to a UK charity during the period.

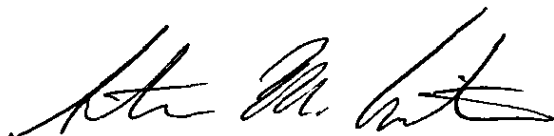
Disclosure of information to auditors

The directors who held office at the date of approval of this directors' report confirm that, so far as they are each aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditors are unaware, and each director has taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as a director to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditors are aware of that information.

Auditors

KPMG LLP was appointed as auditors during the year and pursuant to Section 487 of the Companies Act 2006, the auditors will be deemed to be reappointed and KPMG LLP will therefore continue in office.

By order of the board



S Eisenstein
Director

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Statement of directors' responsibilities in respect of the Directors' Report and the financial statements

The directors are responsible for preparing the 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 they have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with UK Accounting Standards and applicable law (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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 then apply them consistently,
- make judgments 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 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 have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.



Independent auditor's report to the members of eResearchTechnology UK 1 Limited

We have audited the financial statements of eResearchTechnology UK 1 Limited for the period ended 31 December 2010, set out on pages 5 to 12. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and UK Accounting Standards (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

This report is made solely to the 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 company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's 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 company and the company's 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 Directors' Responsibilities Statement set out on page 3, 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.

Scope of the audit of the financial statements

A description of the scope of an audit of financial statements is provided on the APB's web-site at www.trc.org.uk/apb/scope/private.cfm

Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31st December 2010 and of its loss for the period then ended
- have been properly prepared in accordance with UK 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 period for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

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 financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns, or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made, or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit

Charles le Strange Meakin

30th September 2011

Charles le Strange Meakin (Senior Statutory Auditor)
For and on behalf of KPMG LLP, Statutory Auditor
Chartered Accountants
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Profit and loss account
for the period ended 31 December 2010

	<i>Note</i>	2010 £
Operating expenses	2	(3,500)
Operating loss		(3,500)
Interest payable and similar charges	5	(959,592)
Loss on ordinary activities before taxation	3-5	(963,092)
Tax on loss on ordinary activities	6	-
Loss for the financial period	12	(963,092)

All of the above results relate to continuing activities

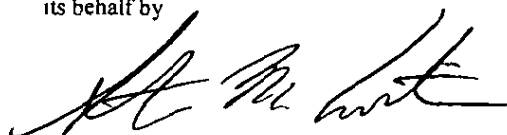
There were no recognised gains or losses for the period other than the retained results shown above

There is no difference between the profit shown above and the historical cost profit

Balance sheet
at 31 December 2010

	Note	£	2010 £
Fixed assets			
Investments	7		59,985,122
Creditors, amounts falling due within one year	9	(963,092)	
Net current liabilities			(963,092)
Total assets less current liabilities			59,022,030
Creditors, amounts falling due after more than one year	10		(32,324,800)
Net assets			26,697,230
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	11		260
Share premium	12		29,773,714
Translation reserve	12		(2,113,652)
Profit and loss account	12		(963,092)
Shareholders' funds	13		26,697,230

These financial statements were approved by the board of directors on 27 September 2011 and were signed on its behalf by



S Eisenstein
 Director

eResearchTechnology UK 1 Limited
Registered number: 07255547

Notes

(forming part of the financial statements)

1 Accounting policies

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the Company's financial statements

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards, and under the historical cost accounting rules

Related parties

As the Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of eResearchTechnology, Inc, the Company has taken advantage of the exemption contained in FRS 8, and has therefore not disclosed transactions or balances with entities which form part of the group (or investors of the group qualifying as related parties) The consolidated financial statements of eResearchTechnology, Inc are publicly available

Going Concern

The company's business activities, together with the factors likely to affect its future development and position, are set out in the Business Review section of the Directors' Report on pages 1 and 2

The company participates in the group's centralised treasury arrangements and so shares banking arrangements with its parent and fellow subsidiaries

The directors, having assessed the responses of the directors of the company's parent, eResearchTechnology, Inc to their enquiries have no reason to believe that a material uncertainty exists that may cast significant doubt about the ability of the ERT Group to continue as a going concern

On the basis of their assessment of the company's financial position and of the enquiries made of the directors of eResearchTechnology, Inc, the company's directors have a reasonable expectation that, notwithstanding the company has net current liabilities, the company will be able to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future Thus they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the annual financial statements

Cash flow statement

Under the provisions of FRS 1 (revised), the Company has not prepared a cash flow statement because it is a wholly-owned subsidiary of eResearchTechnology, Inc whose consolidated financial statements are publicly available

Exemption from Consolidation

The Companies Act 2006 provides that intermediate parent undertakings whose higher parents are not established under the law of an EEA state can be exempt from preparing consolidated accounts The exemption is conditional on compliance with various conditions, including that the intermediate parent and all of its subsidiaries are included in consolidated accounts for a larger group drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Seventh Directive or in an 'equivalent manner.'

The directors have undertaken equivalence testing and found the group accounts of eResearch Technology Inc to satisfy the requirements of the Companies Act and therefore the company is exempt from the requirement to prepare group accounts These financial statements present information about the company as an individual undertaking and not about its group

1 Accounting policies (continued)

Dividends on shares presented within shareholders' funds

Dividends unpaid at the balance sheet date are only recognised as a liability at that date to the extent that they are appropriately authorised and are no longer at the discretion of the Company. Unpaid dividends that do not meet these criteria are disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.

Clarification of financial instruments issued by the Company

Financial instruments issued by the Company are treated as equity (i.e. forming part of shareholders' funds) only to the extent that they meet the following two conditions:

- a) they include no contractual obligations upon the Company to deliver cash or other financial assets or to exchange financial assets or financial liabilities with another party under conditions that are potentially unfavourable to the Company, and
- b) where the instrument will or may be settled in the Company's own equity instruments, it is either a non-derivative that includes no obligation to deliver a variable number of the Company's own equity instruments or is a derivative that will be settled by the Company's exchanging a fixed amount of cash or other financial assets for a fixed number of its own equity instruments.

To the extent that this definition is not met, the proceeds of issue are classified as a financial liability. Where the instrument so classified takes the legal form of the Company's own shares, the amounts presented in these financial statements for called up share capital and share premium account exclude amounts in relation to those shares.

Finance payments associated with financial liabilities are dealt with as part of interest payable and similar charges. Finance payments associated with financial instruments that are classified as part of shareholders' funds (see dividends policy), are dealt with as appropriations in the reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds.

Foreign currency

Income and expenses transactions denominated in foreign currencies are recorded in sterling at the actual exchange rate as of the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the balance sheet date are reported at the rates of exchange prevailing at that date. Any gain or loss arising from a change in exchange rates subsequent to the date of the transaction is included as a movement in the translation reserve account.

Taxation

The tax charge or credit for the period comprises of current tax only calculated on the basis of the tax laws enacted at the balance sheet date.

Investments

Where the Company has a foreign currency loan to finance a foreign equity investment a net investment in a subsidiary situation is created. The net investment is revalued at the period end date at the closing exchange rate and the resulting gain or loss on exchange is offset to the translation reserve account.

Where the Company has a foreign equity investment independent of any borrowings the asset is reported at the rate of exchange prevailing at the period end date and the resulting gain or loss on exchange is shown in the profit and loss account.

2 Operating expenses

	2010
	£
Other operating charges	3,500
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Notes (continued)

3 Loss on ordinary activities before taxation

Loss on ordinary activities before taxation is stated after charging	2010
	£
<i>Auditors remuneration</i>	
Audit of the financial statements	3,500

4 Remuneration of directors

The directors have not been remunerated for their services as directors of the Company. Further details of their remuneration for services for other group companies can be obtained from the financial statements of eResearchTechnology Ltd and eResearchTechnology, Inc (see note 14)

5 Interest payable and similar charges

	2010
	£
Loss of foreign exchange	7,160
Interest on parent company loan	952,432
	959,592

6 Tax on loss on ordinary activities

Factors affecting the tax charge after the current period

On 27 July 2010 the UK Government's 2010 Finance Bill completed its passage through Parliament, resulting in a change in the corporation tax rate from 28% to 26% as from 1 April 2011

	2010
	£
<i>Current tax reconciliation</i>	
Loss on ordinary activities before tax	(963,092)
Current tax at 28%	(269,666)
<i>Effects of</i>	
Group relief surrendered	980
Exchange loss on capital item not deductible for tax purposes	2,005
Intercompany interest payable exempt for tax purposes	266,681
Total current tax charge	-

Notes (continued)

7 Fixed asset investments

	Shares in group undertakings £
Cost	
At beginning of period	-
Additions	64,255,530
Foreign exchange movement	(4,270,408)
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At end of period	59,985,122
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Net book value	
At 31 December 2010	59,985,122
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The companies in which the Company's interest at the year end is more than 20% as follows

	Country of incorporation	Principal activity	Class and percentage of shares held
<i>Subsidiary undertakings</i>			
eResearchTechnology UK 2 Limited	United Kingdom	UK Holding Company	Issued ordinary 100%

8 Acquisitions

On the 26 May 2010 the acquisition of eResearchTechnology UK 2 Limited was completed with 100% of the shares acquired for a total consideration of \$92,784,986.04

9 Creditors amounts falling due within one year

	2010 £
Amounts due to group undertaking	963,092
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10 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	2010 £
Amounts owed to group undertakings	32,324,800
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The total long term debt consists of an unsecured \$50 million loan from eResearchTechnology, Inc. The loan started on 26 May 2010 and the purpose of the loan is for equity investment. Repayment is due on demand and until that time interest is payable to eResearchTechnology, Inc. each quarter.

11 Called up share capital

	2010 £
Authorised	
260 ordinary shares of £1 each	260
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Allotted, called up and fully paid	
260 ordinary shares of £1 each	260
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Notes (continued)

12 Capital and reserves

	Called up share capital £	Share premium £	Translation reserve £	Profit and loss account £	Total £
At the beginning of the period	-	-	-	-	-
New share capital subscribed	260	29,773,714	-	-	29,773,974
Investment foreign exchange movement	-	-	(4,270,409)	-	(4,270,409)
Loan foreign exchange movement			2,301,237		2,301,237
Loss for the period	-	-	-	(963,092)	(963,092)
	<u>260</u>	<u>29,773,714</u>	<u>(2,113,652)</u>	<u>(963,092)</u>	<u>26,697,230</u>

All new capital subscribed in the period was issued to eResearchTechnology, Inc

13 Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds

	2010 £
Loss for the period	(963,092)
New share capital subscribed	29,773,974
Translation reserve	(2,113,652)
Net (deduction from)/addition to shareholders' funds	26,697,230
Opening shareholders' funds	-
Closing shareholders' funds	26,697,230

14 Ultimate Parent Company and controlling party

The Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of eResearchTechnology, Inc which is the ultimate Parent Company and controlling party incorporated in Delaware, USA

The largest group in which the results of the Company are consolidated is that headed by eResearchTechnology, Inc. No other group financial statements include the results of the Company. The consolidated financial statements of the group are available to the public and can be obtained from 1818 Market Street, 10th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103, USA