Appendix 4G

Key to Disclosures Corporate Governance Council Principles and Recommendations

| Name of entity | | | |
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| BARD1 LIFE SCIENCES LIMITED | | | |
| ABN/ARBN Financial year ended: | | | |
| 58 009 070 384 | | 30 JUNE 2021 | |
| Our corporate governance statem | ent ¹ for the period above can be fo | und at: ² | |
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| The Corporate Governance States approved by the board. | ment is accurate and up to date as | at 29 October 2021 and has beer | |
| The annexure includes a key to w | here our corporate governance dis | closures can be located.3 | |
| Date: | Date: 29 October 2021 | | |
| Name of authorised officer authorising lodgement: Tony Di Pietro – CFO & Company Secretary | | | |
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Listing Rule 4.10.3 requires an entity that is included in the official list as an ASX Listing to include in its annual report either a corporate governance statement that meets the requirements of that rule or the URL of the page on its website where such a statement is located. The corporate governance statement must disclose the extent to which the entity has followed the recommendations set by the ASX Corporate Governance Council during the reporting period. If the entity has not followed a recommendation for any part of the reporting period, its corporate governance statement must separately identify that recommendation and the period during which it was not followed and state its reasons for not following the recommendation and what (if any) alternative governance practices it adopted in lieu of the recommendation during that period.

Under Listing Rule 4.7.4, if an entity chooses to include its corporate governance statement on its website rather than in its annual report, it must lodge a copy of the corporate governance statement with ASX at the same time as it lodges its annual report with ASX. The corporate governance statement must be current as at the effective date specified in that statement for the purposes of Listing Rule 4.10.3.

Under Listing Rule 4.7.3, an entity must also lodge with ASX a completed Appendix 4G at the same time as it lodges its annual report with ASX. The Appendix 4G serves a dual purpose. It acts as a key designed to assist readers to locate the governance disclosures made by a listed entity under Listing Rule 4.10.3 and under the ASX Corporate Governance Council's recommendations. It also acts as a verification tool for listed entities to confirm that they have met the disclosure requirements of Listing Rule 4.10.3

The Appendix 4G is not a substitute for, and is not to be confused with, the entity's corporate governance statement. They serve different purposes and an entity must produce each of them separately.

See notes 4 and 5 below for further instructions on how to complete this form.

¹ "Corporate governance statement" is defined in Listing Rule 19.12 to mean the statement referred to in Listing Rule 4.10.3 which discloses the extent to which an entity has followed the recommendations set by the ASX Corporate Governance Council during a particular reporting period.

² Tick whichever option is correct and then complete the page number(s) of the annual report, or the URL of the web page, where your corporate governance statement can be found. You can, if you wish, delete the option which is not applicable.

³ Throughout this form, where you are given two or more options to select, you can, if you wish, delete any option which is not applicable and just retain the option that is applicable. If you select an option that includes "OR" at the end of the selection and you delete the other options, you can also, if you wish, delete the "OR" at the end of the selection.

ANNEXURE - KEY TO CORPORATE GOVERNANCE DISCLOSURES

| Corporate Governance Council recommendation | | Where a box below is ticked, ⁴ we have followed the recommendation in full for the whole of the period above. We have disclosed this in our Corporate Governance Statement: | Where a box below is ticked, we have NOT followed the recommendation in full for the whole of the period above. Our reasons for not doing so are:5 |
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| PRINC | IPLE 1 – LAY SOLID FOUNDATIONS FOR MANAGEMENT AND O | VERSIGHT | |
| 1.1 | A listed entity should have and disclose a board charter setting out: (a) the respective roles and responsibilities of its board and management; and (b) those matters expressly reserved to the board and those delegated to management. | and we have disclosed a copy of our board charter at: www.bard1.com/investors/corporate-governance/ | □ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> □ we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable |
| 1.2 | A listed entity should: (a) undertake appropriate checks before appointing a director or senior executive or putting someone forward for election as a director; and (b) provide security holders with all material information in its possession relevant to a decision on whether or not to elect or re-elect a director. | | □ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> □ we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable |
| 1.3 | A listed entity should have a written agreement with each director and senior executive setting out the terms of their appointment. | | □ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> □ we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable |
| 1.4 | The company secretary of a listed entity should be accountable directly to the board, through the chair, on all matters to do with the proper functioning of the board. | | □ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> □ we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable |

⁴ Tick the box in this column only if you have followed the relevant recommendation in <u>full</u> for the <u>whole</u> of the period above. Where the recommendation has a disclosure obligation attached, you must insert the location where that disclosure has been made, where indicated by the line with "insert location" underneath. If the disclosure in question has been made in your corporate governance statement, you need only insert "our corporate governance statement". If the disclosure has been made in your annual report, you should insert the page number(s) of your annual report (eg "pages 10-12 of our annual report"). If the disclosure has been made on your website, you should insert the URL of the web page where the disclosure has been made or can be accessed (eg "www.entityname.com.au/corporate governance/charters/").

⁵ If you have followed all of the Council's recommendations in full for the whole of the period above, you can, if you wish, delete this column from the form and re-format it.

| Corpo | orate Governance Council recommendation | Where a box below is ticked, ⁴ we have followed the recommendation <u>in full</u> for the <u>whole</u> of the period above. We have disclosed this in our Corporate Governance Statement: | Where a box below is ticked, we have NOT followed the recommendation in full for the whole of the period above. Our reasons for not doing so are:5 |
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| 1.5 | (b) through its board or a committee of the board set measurable objectives for achieving gender diversity in the composition of its board, senior executives and workforce generally; and (c) disclose in relation to each reporting period: (1) the measurable objectives set for that period to achieve gender diversity; | and we have disclosed a copy of our diversity policy at: www.bard1.com/investors/corporate-governance/ and we have disclosed the information referred to in paragraph (c) at: | set out in our Corporate Governance Statement OR we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable |
| 1.6 | directors; and (b) disclose for each reporting period whether a performance evaluation has been undertaken in accordance with that process during or in respect of that period. | and we have disclosed the evaluation process referred to in paragraph (a) at: [insert location] and whether a performance evaluation was undertaken for the reporting period in accordance with that process at: [insert location] | ✓ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement OR ✓ we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable |

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| 1.7 | A listed entity should: (a) have and disclose a process for evaluating the performance of its senior executives at least once every reporting period; and (b) disclose for each reporting period whether a performance evaluation has been undertaken in accordance with that process during or in respect of that period. | and we have disclosed the evaluation process referred to in paragraph (a) at: In our Corporate Governance Statement and whether a performance evaluation was undertaken for the reporting period in accordance with that process at: In our Corporate Governance Statement | □ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> □ we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable |

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| PRINCI | PLE 2 - STRUCTURE THE BOARD TO BE EFFECTIVE AND ADD | VALUE | |
| 2.1 | The board of a listed entity should: (a) have a nomination committee which: (1) has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent directors; and (2) is chaired by an independent director, and disclose: (3) the charter of the committee; (4) the members of the committee; and (5) as at the end of each reporting period, the number of times the committee met throughout the period and the individual attendances of the members at those meetings; or (b) if it does not have a nomination committee, disclose that fact and the processes it employs to address board succession issues and to ensure that the board has the appropriate balance of skills, knowledge, experience, independence and diversity to enable it to discharge its duties and responsibilities effectively. | [If the entity complies with paragraph (a):] and we have disclosed a copy of the charter of the committee at: [Insert location] and the information referred to in paragraphs (4) and (5) at: [Insert location] [If the entity complies with paragraph (b):] and we have disclosed the fact that we do not have a nomination committee and the processes we employ to address board succession issues and to ensure that the board has the appropriate balance of skills, knowledge, experience, independence and diversity to enable it to discharge its duties and responsibilities effectively at: [Insert location] | set out in our Corporate Governance Statement OR we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable |
| 2.2 | A listed entity should have and disclose a board skills matrix setting out the mix of skills that the board currently has or is looking to achieve in its membership. | and we have disclosed our board skills matrix at: In our Corporate Governance Statement | □ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> □ we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable |
| 2.3 | A listed entity should disclose: (a) the names of the directors considered by the board to be independent directors; (b) if a director has an interest, position, affiliation or relationship of the type described in Box 2.3 but the board is of the opinion that it does not compromise the independence of the director, the nature of the interest, position or relationship in question and an explanation of why the board is of that opinion; and (c) the length of service of each director. | and we have disclosed the names of the directors considered by the board to be independent directors at: In our Corporate Governance Statement and, where applicable, the information referred to in paragraph (b) at: [insert location] and the length of service of each director at: In the Directors' Report contained in the Company's Annual Report | □ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement |

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| 2.4 | A majority of the board of a listed entity should be independent directors. | | □ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> □ we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable |
| 2.5 | The chair of the board of a listed entity should be an independent director and, in particular, should not be the same person as the CEO of the entity. | | □ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> □ we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable |
| 2.6 | A listed entity should have a program for inducting new directors and for periodically reviewing whether there is a need for existing directors to undertake professional development to maintain the skills and knowledge needed to perform their role as directors effectively. | | □ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> □ we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable |
| PRINCIP | LE 3 – INSTIL A CULTURE OF ACTING LAWFULLY, ETHICALLY | AND RESPONSIBLY | |
| 3.1 | A listed entity should articulate and disclose its values. | and we have disclosed our values at: Code of Conduct policy at www.bard1.com/investors/corporate-governance/ | □ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement |
| 3.2 | A listed entity should: (a) have and disclose a code of conduct for its directors, senior executives and employees; and (b) ensure that the board or a committee of the board is informed of any material breaches of that code. | and we have disclosed our code of conduct at: www.bard1.com/investors/corporate-governance/ | □ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement |
| 3.3 | A listed entity should: (a) have and disclose a whistleblower policy; and (b) ensure that the board or a committee of the board is informed of any material incidents reported under that policy. | and we have disclosed our whistleblower policy at: www.bard1.com/investors/corporate-governance/ | □ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement |
| 3.4 | A listed entity should: (a) have and disclose an anti-bribery and corruption policy; and (b) ensure that the board or committee of the board is informed of any material breaches of that policy. | and we have disclosed our anti-bribery and corruption policy at: | □ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement |

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| PRINCIP | LE 4 – SAFEGUARD THE INTEGRITY OF CORPORATE REPOR | TS | |
| 4.1 | The board of a listed entity should: (a) have an audit committee which: (1) has at least three members, all of whom are non-executive directors and a majority of whom are independent directors; and (2) is chaired by an independent director, who is not the chair of the board, and disclose: (3) the charter of the committee; (4) the relevant qualifications and experience of the members of the committee; and (5) in relation to each reporting period, the number of times the committee met throughout the period and the individual attendances of the members at those meetings; or (b) if it does not have an audit committee, disclose that fact and the processes it employs that independently verify and safeguard the integrity of its corporate reporting, including the processes for the appointment and removal of the external auditor and the rotation of the audit engagement partner. | [If the entity complies with paragraph (a):] and we have disclosed a copy of the charter of the committee at: www.bard1.com/investors/corporate-governance/ and the information referred to in paragraphs (4) and (5) at: In the Directors Report that forms part of the Company's 30 June 2021 Annual Report [If the entity complies with paragraph (b):] and we have disclosed the fact that we do not have an audit committee and the processes we employ that independently verify and safeguard the integrity of our corporate reporting, including the processes for the appointment and removal of the external auditor and the rotation of the audit engagement partner at: [insert location] | set out in our Corporate Governance Statement |
| 4.2 | The board of a listed entity should, before it approves the entity's financial statements for a financial period, receive from its CEO and CFO a declaration that, in their opinion, the financial records of the entity have been properly maintained and that the financial statements comply with the appropriate accounting standards and give a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of the entity and that the opinion has been formed on the basis of a sound system of risk management and internal control which is operating effectively. | | □ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement |
| 4.3 | A listed entity should disclose its process to verify the integrity of any periodic corporate report it releases to the market that is not audited or reviewed by an external auditor. | | □ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement |

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| PRINCIP | LE 5 – MAKE TIMELY AND BALANCED DISCLOSURE | | |
| 5.1 | A listed entity should have and disclose a written policy for complying with its continuous disclosure obligations under listing rule 3.1. | and we have disclosed our continuous disclosure compliance policy at: www.bard1.com/investors/corporate-governance/ | □ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement |
| 5.2 | A listed entity should ensure that its board receives copies of all material market announcements promptly after they have been made. | | □ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement |
| 5.3 | A listed entity that gives a new and substantive investor or analyst presentation should release a copy of the presentation materials on the ASX Market Announcements Platform ahead of the presentation. | | □ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement |
| PRINCIP | LE 6 – RESPECT THE RIGHTS OF SECURITY HOLDERS | | |
| 6.1 | A listed entity should provide information about itself and its governance to investors via its website. | and we have disclosed information about us and our governance on our website at: www.bard1.com and www.bard1.com/investors-corporate governance/ | □ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement |
| 6.2 | A listed entity should have an investor relations program that facilitates effective two-way communication with investors. | | □ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement |
| 6.3 | A listed entity should disclose how it facilitates and encourages participation at meetings of security holders. | and we have disclosed how we facilitate and encourage participation at meetings of security holders at: In our Corporate Governance Statement | □ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement |
| 6.4 | A listed entity should ensure that all substantive resolutions at a meeting of security holders are decided by a poll rather than by a show of hands. | | □ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement |
| 6.5 | A listed entity should give security holders the option to receive communications from, and send communications to, the entity and its security registry electronically. | | □ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement |

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| PRINCIP | PLE 7 – RECOGNISE AND MANAGE RISK | | |
| 7.1 | The board of a listed entity should: (a) have a committee or committees to oversee risk, each of which: (1) has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent directors; and (2) is chaired by an independent director, and disclose: (3) the charter of the committee; (4) the members of the committee; and (5) as at the end of each reporting period, the number of times the committee met throughout the period and the individual attendances of the members at those meetings; or (b) if it does not have a risk committee or committees that satisfy (a) above, disclose that fact and the processes it employs for overseeing the entity's risk management framework. | [If the entity complies with paragraph (a):] and we have disclosed a copy of the charter of the committee at: Contained within the Audit & Risk Committee Charter located at www.bard1.com/investors-corporate governance/ and the information referred to in paragraphs (4) and (5) at: In the Directors Report that forms part of the Company's 30 June 2021 Annual Report [If the entity complies with paragraph (b):] and we have disclosed the fact that we do not have a risk committee or committees that satisfy (a) and the processes we employ for overseeing our risk management framework at: [insert location] | set out in our Corporate Governance Statement |
| 7.2 | The board or a committee of the board should: (a) review the entity's risk management framework at least annually to satisfy itself that it continues to be sound and that the entity is operating with due regard to the risk appetite set by the board; and (b) disclose, in relation to each reporting period, whether such a review has taken place. | and we have disclosed whether a review of the entity's risk management framework was undertaken during the reporting period at: In our Corporate Governance Statement | □ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement |

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| 7.3 | A listed entity should disclose: (a) if it has an internal audit function, how the function is structured and what role it performs; or (b) if it does not have an internal audit function, that fact and the processes it employs for evaluating and continually improving the effectiveness of its governance, risk management and internal control processes. | [If the entity complies with paragraph (a):] and we have disclosed how our internal audit function is structured and what role it performs at: [insert location] [If the entity complies with paragraph (b):] and we have disclosed the fact that we do not have an internal audit function and the processes we employ for evaluating and continually improving the effectiveness of our risk management and internal control processes at: [insert location] | set out in our Corporate Governance Statement |
| 7.4 | A listed entity should disclose whether it has any material exposure to environmental or social risks and, if it does, how it manages or intends to manage those risks. | and we have disclosed whether we have any material exposure to environmental and social risks at: In our Corporate Governance Statement and, if we do, how we manage or intend to manage those risks at: [insert location] | □ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement |

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| PRINCIP | LE 8 – REMUNERATE FAIRLY AND RESPONSIBLY | | |
| 8.1 | The board of a listed entity should: (a) have a remuneration committee which: (1) has at least three members, a majority of whom are independent directors; and (2) is chaired by an independent director, and disclose: (3) the charter of the committee; (4) the members of the committee; and (5) as at the end of each reporting period, the number of times the committee met throughout the period and the individual attendances of the members at those meetings; or (b) if it does not have a remuneration committee, disclose that fact and the processes it employs for setting the level and composition of remuneration for directors and senior executives and ensuring that such remuneration is appropriate and not excessive. | [If the entity complies with paragraph (a):] and we have disclosed a copy of the charter of the committee at: www.bard1.com/investors-corporate governance/ and the information referred to in paragraphs (4) and (5) at: In the Directors Report that forms part of the Company's 30 June 2021 Annual Report [If the entity complies with paragraph (b):] and we have disclosed the fact that we do not have a remuneration committee and the processes we employ for setting the level and composition of remuneration for directors and senior executives and ensuring that such remuneration is appropriate and not excessive: [Insert location] | set out in our Corporate Governance Statement OR we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable |
| 8.2 | A listed entity should separately disclose its policies and practices regarding the remuneration of non-executive directors and the remuneration of executive directors and other senior executives. | and we have disclosed separately our remuneration policies and practices regarding the remuneration of non-executive directors and the remuneration of executive directors and other senior executives at: in the Remuneration Report which forms part of the Annual Financial Statements | □ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> □ we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable |
| 8.3 | A listed entity which has an equity-based remuneration scheme should: (a) have a policy on whether participants are permitted to enter into transactions (whether through the use of derivatives or otherwise) which limit the economic risk of participating in the scheme; and (b) disclose that policy or a summary of it. | and we have disclosed our policy on this issue or a summary of it at: In our Corporate Governance Statement | □ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> □ we do not have an equity-based remuneration scheme and this recommendation is therefore not applicable <u>OR</u> □ we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable |

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| ADDITIO | NAL RECOMMENDATIONS THAT APPLY ONLY IN CERTAIN CA | ASES | |
| 9.1 | A listed entity with a director who does not speak the language in which board or security holder meetings are held or key corporate documents are written should disclose the processes it has in place to ensure the director understands and can contribute to the discussions at those meetings and understands and can discharge their obligations in relation to those documents. | and we have disclosed information about the processes in place at: [insert location] | □ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement OR □ we do not have a director in this position and this recommendation is therefore not applicable OR □ we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable |
| 9.2 | A listed entity established outside Australia should ensure that meetings of security holders are held at a reasonable place and time. | | □ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement <u>OR</u> □ we are established in Australia and this recommendation is therefore not applicable <u>OR</u> □ we are an externally managed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable |
| 9.3 | A listed entity established outside Australia, and an externally managed listed entity that has an AGM, should ensure that its external auditor attends its AGM and is available to answer questions from security holders relevant to the audit. | | □ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement OR □ we are established in Australia and not an externally managed listed entity and this recommendation is therefore not applicable □ we are an externally managed entity that does not hold an AGM and this recommendation is therefore not applicable |
| ADDITIO | NAL DISCLOSURES APPLICABLE TO EXTERNALLY MANAGEI | D LISTED ENTITIES | |
| - | Alternative to Recommendation 1.1 for externally managed listed entities: The responsible entity of an externally managed listed entity should disclose: (a) the arrangements between the responsible entity and the listed entity for managing the affairs of the listed entity; and (b) the role and responsibility of the board of the responsible entity for overseeing those arrangements. | and we have disclosed the information referred to in paragraphs (a) and (b) at: | □ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement |

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| - | Alternative to Recommendations 8.1, 8.2 and 8.3 for externally managed listed entities: An externally managed listed entity should clearly disclose the terms governing the remuneration of the manager. | and we have disclosed the terms governing our remuneration as manager of the entity at: | □ set out in our Corporate Governance Statement |
| | | [insert location] | |



CORPORATE GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE

The Board of BARD1 Life Sciences Limited (BARD1 or the Company) is responsible for the corporate governance of the Group and guides and monitors the business on behalf of its shareholders. The Board has strived to reach a balance between industry best practice and appropriate policies for BARD1 in terms of its size, stage of development and role in the biotechnology industry. BARD1 performed a review of its Board policies and governance practices with reference to the eight Principles of Good Corporate Governance (Principles) and the Best Practice Recommendations (Recommendations) established by the ASX Corporate Governance Council. The Recommendations are not mandatory and cannot, in themselves, prevent corporate failure or poor corporate decision-making. They are intended to provide a reference point for companies regarding their corporate governance structures and practices.

The Directors have considered each of the core Principles and Recommendations applicable for the year ended 30 June 2021. There are instances where BARD1 would not benefit from compliance with the Recommendations, and in some instances BARD1 has not had the resources to comply. The Recommendations that were not adopted are discussed in the Corporate Governance Statement located on the Company's website.

BARD1's Corporate Governance Statement, which summarises the Group's corporate governance practices and incorporates the disclosures required by the ASX Principles, can be viewed on the Company's website at www.bard1.com/investors/corporate-governance/

PRINCIPLE 1: LAY SOLID FOUNDATIONS FOR MANAGEMENT AND OVERSIGHT

ASX Recommendation 1.1: A listed entity should establish the functions reserved to the board and those delegated to senior executives and disclose those functions

The role of the Board is to represent the interests of shareholders by providing good governance and strategic direction. BARD1 has adopted a Board Charter setting out the matters reserved to it, including its function and responsibilities and those delegated to management. The Board delegates the responsibility for the administration and operations of the Company to its Senior Executives.

ASX Recommendation 1.2: A listed entity should undertake appropriate checks before appointing a person, or putting forward to security holders a candidate for election as a director and provide security holders with all material information relevant to a decision on whether or not to elect or reelect a director

BARD1 considers the character, industry and other relevant experience, education and skill set, as well as interests and associations of candidates for appointment to the Board and conducts appropriate checks to verify the suitability of the candidate, prior to their election.

BARD1 ensures that all information in relation to Director/s seeking reappointment is set out in the Directors report and Notice of Annual General Meeting.

ASX Recommendation 1.3: A listed entity should have a written agreement with each Director and senior executive setting out the terms of their appointment.

The roles and responsibilities of Directors are set out in a Letter of Appointment which Directors commit to on their appointment to BARD1. The Letter of Appointment sets out the major provisions such as time commitment, expectations in relation to committee work or any other special duties attaching to the Director position, reporting lines, disclosure obligations in relation to personal interests, confidentiality obligations, insurance and indemnity entitlements and details of the Company's governance policies.

Each Senior Executive enters into an Executive Employment Agreement that sets out the material terms of employment, including a description of position and duties, reporting lines, remuneration arrangements and termination rights and entitlements. Contract details of those Senior Executives who are designated as key management personnel (KMP) are summarised in the Remuneration Report section of the Annual Report.



ASX Recommendation 1.4: the Company Secretary of a listed company should be accountable directly to the board, through the Chair, on all matters to do with the proper functioning of the board.

The Board Charter provides for the Company Secretary to be accountable directly to the board through the Chair. The Company Secretary is accountable to the Board for ensuring the Company's corporate governance processes are adequate. The appointment or removal of the Company Secretary is a matter for the Board.

ASX Recommendation 1.5: A listed entity should:

- have a diversity policy which includes the requirement for the board to set measurable objectives for achieving gender diversity and assess annually the objectives and the entity's progress to achieving them;
- · disclose the policy or a summary of it;
- disclose the measurable objectives and progress towards achieving them; and
- disclose the respective proportions of men and women on the board and at each level of management and the company as a whole

The Company has adopted a Diversity Policy which is available in the corporate governance section of the Company's website.

The Board considers that, due to the small size and nature of the Company, setting measurable objectives for a Diversity Policy at this time is not practical. The Board is conscious of the benefits diversity can bring and will consider setting measurable objectives as the Company increases in size and complexity.

The Company currently has 18 employees (including Directors) of which 8 are women. The Board is made up of four male directors. The Company has three senior executives, being the Chief Executive Officer, Chief Scientific Officer, and Chief Financial Officer/Company Secretary. The CEO is female and the CSO and CFO/Company Secretary are male.

BARD1 is an Equal Opportunity Employer and encourages diversity in the workplace.

ASX Recommendation 1.6: A listed entity should disclose the process for evaluating the performance of the board, its committees, and individual directors and whether a performance evaluation was carried out during the reporting period in accordance with that process.

The Board of BARD1 is responsible for reviewing its own performance.

ASX Recommendation 1.7: A listed entity should have and disclose a process for periodically evaluating the performance of its senior executives and disclose in relation to each reporting period where a performance evaluation was undertaken in accordance with a process.

The Company has three senior executives including the Chief Executive Officer, Chief Scientific Officer, and Chief Financial Officer/Company Secretary. An annual performance review of the senior executives was undertaken for the 2021 financial year in accordance with the Company policy.

PRINCIPLE 2: STRUCTURE THE BOARD TO ADD VALUE

ASX Recommendation 2.1: The board of a listed entity should establish a nomination committee:

- with at least three members the majority of which are independent directors
- chaired by an independent Director; and
- disclose the charter of the committee, the members of the committee and the number of times the committee met throughout the period and member attendance at those meetings

The tasks typically undertaken by a Nomination Committee are the responsibility of the Remuneration Committee. Please refer to Principle 8 – Remunerate Fairly and Responsibly.



ASX Recommendation 2.2; 2.3 and 2.4:

As at the date of this report the Board of BARD1 comprises 4 Directors, all of whom are independent directors.

Dr Geoffrey Cumming

Non-Executive Director and Chairman (appointed 28 July 2020)

Mr Max Johnston

Non-Executive Director (appointed 17 June 2019)

Mr Philip Powell

Non-Executive Director (appointed 17 June 2019)

Professor Allan Cripps

Non-Executive Director (appointed 23 January 2020)

The Directors have a combination of commercial acumen and experience in the biotechnology industry and capital markets. The relevant qualifications and background of each Director are set out in the Directors' Report section of the Company's Annual Report.

The Board has adopted the Council's recommendation for assessing Director Independence. To be assessed as independent a Director must fulfil a number of criteria as outlined in the ASX Corporate Governance Principles. As at the date of this report all Directors are considered independent.

ASX Recommendation 2.5: The Chair of a listed entity should be an independent director

The Chairman of BARD1, Dr Geoffrey Cumming, is considered independent.

The role of Chairman and the Chief Executive Officer are not performed by the same person.

ASX Recommendation 2.6: A listed entity should have a program for inducting new directors and provide appropriate professional development opportunities

The Board of BARD1 is responsible for providing new directors with an induction to the Company and a program for providing adequate professional development opportunities for directors and management.

The Company provides access to independent professional advice at the Company's expense unless the Board determines otherwise.

PRINCIPLE 3: ACT ETHICALLY AND RESPONSIBLY

ASX Recommendation 3.1: A listed entity should articulate and disclose its values.

The Company has established a Code of Conduct which requires all business affairs to be conducted legally, ethically and with integrity. The Code of Conduct documents all the practices necessary to maintain confidence in the Company's integrity and these practices are in line with the Council's guidelines on good corporate governance. The Code of Conduct requires all employees and Directors to:

- have respect for persons;
- comply with the law;
- act with integrity;
- act with diligence
- carry out their role responsibly

A copy of the Company's Code of Conduct is available in the corporate governance section of the Company's website.

ASX Recommendation 3.2: A listed entity should:

- (a) have and disclose a code of conduct for its directors, senior executives, and employees; and
- (b) ensure that the board or a committee of the board is informed of any material breaches of that code.

See statement above under ASX Recommendation 3.1.



ASX Recommendation 3.3: A listed entity should:

- (a) have and disclose a whistleblower policy; and
- (b) ensure that the board or a committee of the board is informed of any material incidents reported under that policy.

The Company's whistleblower policy is located at www.bard1.com/investors/corporate-governance/. The policy provides for the escalation of material incidents reported.

ASX Recommendation 3.4: A listed entity should:

- (a) have and disclose an anti-bribery and corruption policy; and
- (b) ensure that the board or committee of the board is informed of any material breaches of that policy.

The Company's Code of Conduct policy covers expectations regarding respect for the law, integrity, and diligence. The Code of Conduct policy is located at www.bard1.com/investors/corporate-governance/. The policy will be reviewed during the 2022 financial year to cover anti-bribery and corruption.

PRINCIPLE 4: SAFEGUARD INTEGRITY IN FINANCIAL REPORTING

ASX Recommendation 4.1: The Board of a listed entity should establish an audit committee:

- with at least three members, all of whom are non-executive directors and a majority of whichare independent directors
- chaired by an independent Director; and
- disclose the charter of the committee, the members of the committee and the number of times the committee met throughout the period and member attendance at those meetings

The Audit & Risk Committee is made up of three independent Non-executive Directors: Mr Philip Powell (Chair and Chartered Accountant), Mr Robert (Max) Johnston and Professor Allan Cripps. The Audit Committee Charter is available at the company's website (www.bard1.com/investors/corporate-governance). Committee meeting details for the 2021 financial year are set out in the Directors' Report section of the Company's Annual Report.

ASX Recommendation 4.2: The Board of a listed entity should, before it approves the entity's financial statements for a financial period, receive from its CEO and CFO a declaration that, in their opinion, the financial records of the entity have been properly maintained and that the financial statements comply with the appropriate accounting standards and give a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of the entity and that the opinion has been formed on the basis of a sound system of risk management and internal control which is operating effectively.

The Board receives the assurance required by ASX Recommendation 4.2 in respect of the financial statements from the CEO and CFO/Company Secretary as required under section 295A of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

ASX Recommendation 4.3: A listed entity should disclose its process to verify the integrity of any periodic corporate report it releases to the market that is not audited or reviewed by an external auditor.

The Company's external audit function is conducted by Grant Thornton Audit Pty Ltd. Representatives of the company's auditors attend the AGM each year and are available to answer questions from shareholders relevant to the audit and financial statements.

PRINCIPLE 5: MAKE TIMELY AND BALANCED DISCLOSURE

ASX Recommendation 5.1: A listed entity should have and disclose a written policy for complying with its continuous disclosure obligations under listing rule 3.1.

The Company Continuous Disclosure Policy complies with the Council's continuous disclosure requirements. The Company ensures that all Directors, senior executives, and employees of the Company understand their responsibilities under the policy. BARD1's announcements are made in a timely manner, are factual, do not omit material information and are expressed in a clear and objective manner that allows investors to assess the impact of the information when making investment decisions.

A copy of the Company's Continuous Disclosure Policy is available in the corporate governance section of the Company's website (www.bard1.com/investors/corporate-governance/).



ASX Recommendation 5.2: A listed entity should ensure that its board receives copies of all material market announcements promptly after they have been made.

Material ASX announcements are drafted by Senior Executives before being circulated to the Board for comment, review, and approval. ASX announcements are then only released when Board approval has been received.

ASX Recommendation 5.3: A listed entity that gives a new and substantive investor or analyst presentation should release a copy of the presentation materials on the ASX Market Announcements Platform ahead of the presentation.

Investor/analyst presentations that have been substantially updated and contain new material information are lodged with the ASX before a presentation to an investor/analyst is made.

PRINCIPLE 6: RESPECT THE RIGHTS OF SHAREHOLDERS

ASX Recommendation 6.1: A listed entity should provide information about itself and its governance to investors via its website

BARD1 keeps investors informed of its corporate governance practices, policies, announcements made to the market including investor presentations, annual and half yearly financial results by publication on the Company's website as soon as they have been released by the ASX.

ASX Recommendation 6.2: A listed entity should design and implement an investor relations program to facilitate effective two-way communication with investors

BARD1's Chairman, CEO and Company Secretary are the Company's main contacts for investors and potential investors and are available to discuss the Company's activities when requested, together with Directors as required. All ASX announcements contain contact details for investors to allow them to contact the company to discuss the announcement in particular and company progress in general.

ASX Recommendation 6.3: A listed entity should disclose how it facilitates and encourages participation at meetings of security holders.

Shareholders are encouraged to ask questions at the Company's AGM via the Notice of Meeting. The Chairman also invites security holders to ask questions at each meeting of members.

ASX Recommendation 6.4: A listed entity should ensure that all substantive resolutions at a meeting of security holders are decided by a poll rather than by a show of hands.

To reflect the true intent of shareholders, and their respective holdings, substantive resolutions at meetings of members are conducted via a poll.

ASX Recommendation 6.5: A listed entity should give security holders the option to receive communications from, and send communications to, the entity and its security registry electronically.

All shareholders are provided with a choice in regard to how they would prefer to receive communications from the company.

PRINCIPLE 7: RECOGNISE AND MANAGE RISK

ASX Recommendation 7.1: The Board of a listed entity should have a committee to oversee risk:

- with at least three members, all of whom are non-executive directors and a majority of whichare independent directors
- · chaired by an independent Director; and
- disclose the charter of the committee, the members of the committee and the number of times the committee met throughout the period and member attendance at those meetings

The Audit & Risk Committee is made up of three independent Non-executive Directors: Mr Philip Powell (Chair and Chartered Accountant), Mr Robert (Max) Johnston and Professor Allan Cripps. The Audit & Risk Committee Charter is available at the company's website (www.bard1.com/investors/corporate-governance/). Committee meeting details for the 2021 financial year are set out in the Directors' Report section of the Company's Annual Report.



ASX Recommendation 7.2: The Board or a committee of the Board, of a listed entity should review the entity's risk management framework at least annually to satisfy itself that it continues to be sound and disclose in relation to each reporting period whether such a review was undertaken

During the financial year the Company developed a risk register to document and manage BARD1's risks. Risk management is a topic of discussion at each and every Board meeting. This risk register is to be reviewed at least annually.

ASX Recommendation 7.3: A listed entity should disclose if it has an internal audit function and if it does not have an internal audit function that fact and the processes it employs for evaluating and continually improving the effectiveness of risk management and internal control processes

The Company does not have an internal audit function due to the size of the Company. The Audit & Risk Committee along with the Board as a whole are responsible for risk management and internal control processes.

ASX Recommendation 7.4: A listed entity should disclose whether it has any material exposure to economic, environmental and social sustainability risks and if it does how it manages or intends to manage those risks.

The Company has exposure to economic risks, including general economy-wide economic risks and risks associated with the economic cycle. The Company has in place risk management procedures and processes to identify, manage, and minimise its exposure to these economic risks where appropriate.

The Board considers that the Company does not have any material exposure to environmental risk.

PRINCIPLE 8: REMUNERATE FAIRLY AND RESPONSIBLY

ASX Recommendation 8.1: The board of a listed entity should establish a remuneration committee:

- with at least three members the majority of which are independent directors
- chaired by an independent Director; and
- disclose the charter of the committee, the members of the committee and the number of times the committee met throughout the period and member attendance at those meetings

The Remuneration Committee is made up of three independent Non-executive Directors: Mr Robert (Max) Johnston, Dr Geoffrey Cumming, and Professor Allan Cripps. The Remuneration Committee Charter is available at the company's website (www.bard1.com/investors/corporate-governance/). Committee meeting details for the 2021 financial year are set out in the Directors' Report section of the Company's Annual Report.

ASX Recommendation 8.2: A listed entity should separately disclose its policies and practices regarding the remuneration of non-executive directors and the remuneration of executive directors and other senior executives

The Remuneration Committee is responsible for determining, recommending, and reviewing compensation arrangements for the Chairman, Directors and Senior Executives consistent with ASX Principle 8.

Directors are paid a fixed annual fee for their service to the Company as Non-Executive Directors. Non-Executive Directors may, subject to shareholder approval, be granted equity based remuneration.

Executives of the Company typically receive remuneration comprising a base salary component and other fixed benefits based on the terms of their employment agreements. They may be eligible to participate in bonus arrangements and may be granted equity based remuneration, subject to shareholder approval if required.

ASX Recommendation 8.3: A listed entity which has an equity-based remuneration scheme should:

- (a) have a policy on whether participants are permitted to enter into transactions (whether through the use of derivatives or otherwise) which limit the economic risk of participating in the scheme; and
- (b) disclose that policy or a summary of it.

A participant in an equity based remuneration plan operated by the Company must not enter into a transaction (whether through the use of derivatives or otherwise) which limits the economic risk of participating in the equity based remuneration plan.

A summary of the Company's Incentive Option Plan (IOP) is provided within the Directors' Report of BARD1's Annual Reports.