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Results of Annual General Meeting held on 27 April 2017

AstraZeneca PLC announced the results of the voting at its Annual General Meeting (AGM) today. As proposed in the Notice of AGM, all Resolutions were decided by poll vote. Resolutions 1 – 9 were passed as ordinary resolutions and resolutions 10 – 12 were passed as special resolutions.

	RESOLUTION	VOTES FOR	% OF VOTES CAST	VOTES AGAINST	% OF VOTES CAST	VOTES CAST IN TOTAL	TOTAL VOTES CAST AS A % OF ISSUED SHARE CAPITAL	VOTES WITHHELD
1	To receive the Company's Accounts, the Reports of the Directors and Auditor and the Strategic Report for the year ended 31 December 2016	914,348,647	99.94	561,046	0.06	914,909,693	72.29	14,055,053
2	To confirm dividends	925,733,259	99.75	2,281,327	0.25	928,014,586	73.32	950,160
3	To appoint PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as Auditor	925,181,852	99.71	2,679,401	0.29	927,861,253	73.31	1,103,493
4	To authorise the Directors to agree the remuneration of the Auditor	925,654,910	99.76	2,210,534	0.24	927,865,444	73.31	1,099,302
5a	To re-elect Leif Johansson as a Director	894,505,361	98.41	14,457,865	1.59	908,963,226	71.82	20,001,520
5b	To re-elect Pascal Soriot as a Director	923,508,459	99.55	4,220,473	0.45	927,728,932	73.30	1,235,814
5c	To re-elect Marc Dunoyer as a Director	913,734,060	98.52	13,766,446	1.48	927,500,506	73.28	1,464,240
5d	To re-elect Geneviève Berger as a Director	924,823,332	99.69	2,847,336	0.31	927,670,668	73.30	1,294,078
5e	To elect Philip Broadley as a Director	925,526,658	99.77	2,104,123	0.23	927,630,781	73.29	1,332,733
5f	To re-elect Bruce Burlington as a Director	924,643,428	99.68	2,996,388	0.32	927,639,816	73.29	1,324,930
5g	To re-elect Graham Chipchase as a Director	893,623,270	97.01	27,555,509	2.99	921,178,779	72.78	7,785,967
5h	To re-elect Rudy Markham as a Director	906,931,686	97.77	20,689,307	2.23	927,620,993	73.29	1,343,753
5i	To re-elect Shriti Vadera as a	921,267,292	99.31	6,370,592	0.69	927,637,884	73.29	1,326,862

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5j	To re-elect Marcus Wallenberg as a Director	856,206,532	94.86	46,431,752	5.14	902,638,284	71.32	26,326,461
6	To approve the Annual Report on Remuneration for the year ended 31 December 2016	560,051,300	61.17	355,474,215	38.83	915,525,515	72.34	13,439,230
7	To approve the Directors' Remuneration Policy	877,620,302	96.08	35,804,933	3.92	913,425,235	72.17	15,539,511
8	To authorise limited political donations	898,169,470	97.87	19,518,267	2.13	917,687,737	72.51	11,278,009
9	To authorise the Directors to allot shares	842,959,080	91.03	83,045,083	8.97	926,004,163	73.17	2,960,583
10	To authorise the Directors to disapply pre-emption rights	922,652,653	99.48	4,785,159	0.52	927,437,812	73.28	1,526,934
11	To authorise the Company to purchase its own shares	916,489,233	98.82	10,984,147	1.18	927,473,380	73.28	1,491,366
12	To reduce the notice period for general meetings	845,957,281	91.63	77,228,645	8.37	923,185,926	72.94	5,778,819

AstraZeneca is pleased to have achieved shareholder support for all resolutions proposed at the AGM. AstraZeneca received a 96.08% binding vote approving the Remuneration Policy and a 61.17% advisory vote in favour of its Annual Report on Remuneration for the year ended 31 December 2016.

AstraZeneca engaged extensively with its major shareholders on remuneration matters during 2016 and the Remuneration Committee's proposals were based on shareholder feedback. AstraZeneca notes that its major shareholders exercised their independent judgement following this consultation, with the majority of them voting in favour of the Remuneration Report. The lower level of support for the Remuneration Report is considered to reflect concerns regarding how the AstraZeneca Investment Plan (AZIP) will be operated for the outstanding AZIP awards previously made, and the level of information given about the annual bonus plan and awards. AstraZeneca's Remuneration Committee will continue the dialogue with shareholders, as appropriate, regarding any concerns following its AGM.

Issued capital

As at 25 April 2017, the number of issued shares of the Company was 1,265,630,929 ordinary shares, which was the total number of shares entitling the holders to attend and vote for or against all the resolutions at the AGM. In accordance with the Company's Articles of Association, on a poll every member present in person or by proxy has one vote for every share held.

About AstraZeneca

AstraZeneca is a global, science-led biopharmaceutical company that focuses on the discovery, development and commercialisation of prescription medicines, primarily for the treatment of diseases in three main therapy areas - Oncology, Cardiovascular & Metabolic Diseases and Respiratory. The Company also is selectively active in the areas of Autoimmunity, Neuroscience and Infection. AstraZeneca operates in over 100 countries and its innovative medicines are used by millions of patients worldwide. For more information, please visit www.astrazeneca.com and follow us on Twitter @AstraZeneca.

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