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VOLUNTARY ANNOUNCEMENT

CDE ACCEPTANCE OF IND APPLICATION FOR BA1203 (A MASKED ANTI-PD-1/IL-2 FUSION PROTEIN)

The board of directors (the “**Board**”) of Shandong Boan Biotechnology Co., Ltd. (the “**Company**”) announces that China’s Center for Drug Evaluation (“**CDE**”) of the National Medical Products Administration (NMPA) has accepted the investigational new drug (“**IND**”) application for BA1203, an antibody-cytokine prodrug targeting PD-1 and IL-2 pathways. The Company developed BA1203 as a next-generation immuno-oncology (“**IO**”) therapy intended to treat multiple solid tumors. To the knowledge of the Company, BA1203 is poised to become the first masked PD-1/IL-2 antibody-cytokine prodrug retaining α -subunit binding activity to enter clinical trials in China.

IO therapies, led by PD-1/PD-L1 inhibitors, have become a cornerstone treatment method for malignancies. However, a significant proportion of patients still experience primary non-response, recurrence, or drug resistance. Previous meta-analyses have shown that PD-1/PD-L1 inhibitor monotherapy yields an overall objective response rate (ORR) of approximately 20%, with response rates varying significantly across tumor types and PD-L1 expression levels. These findings highlight the significant unmet clinical need with current immunotherapies.

IL-2 is a critical cytokine that promotes T-cell proliferation and restores T-cell function. However, traditional IL-2 therapies are limited by their narrow therapeutic window, non-selective activation of peripheral immune cells, and the risk of systemic toxicity. Consequently, achieving targeted delivery and selective activation of IL-2 within the tumor microenvironment (“**TME**”) has become a key area of exploration for next-generation IO therapies.

BA1203 leverages the dual mechanism of action of a PD-1 antibody and an IL-2 cytokine, aiming to simultaneously achieve immune checkpoint blockade and localized immune activation within the TME. Through a masked design, the IL-2 prodrug selectively activates within the TME to amplify local anti-tumor immunity while minimizing cytokine activity in peripheral tissues to mitigate systemic toxicity risks. Concurrently, the molecule features a high-affinity, bivalent PD-1 targeting architecture, which enhances pathway blockade and enables precise delivery of IL-2 to PD-1-positive tumor-infiltrating T cells. In addition, BA1203 features a symmetric molecular design structure, which improves molecular stability and the controllability of the manufacturing process.

Preclinical studies show that BA1203 exhibits a differentiated profile in terms of PD-1 binding, immune pathway blockade, and immune activation within the TME. Notably, BA1203 demonstrated superior anti-tumor activity that significantly outperformed existing PD-1/PD-L1 antibodies across multiple tumor models where such checkpoint inhibitors were ineffective or exhibited limited activity. In tumor-bearing mouse models, BA1203 demonstrated superior efficacy compared to the competitor in the same class, while exhibiting a more favorable safety profile driven by tumor-dependent activation. Crucially, while enhancing localized intratumoral immune activation, BA1203 maintains low peripheral toxicity; studies involving cynomolgus monkeys demonstrate its favorable safety and tolerability profile.

BA1203 represents a key strategic initiative of the Company in developing next-generation IO therapies. Engineered with a symmetric molecular structure, BA1203 features high-affinity, bivalent PD-1 targeting coupled with a masked IL-2. The Company expects such architecture to deliver a superior efficacy and safety profile. The Company will accelerate the clinical development of BA1203 while further exploring its therapeutic potential as both a monotherapy and in combination with other treatment regimens.

By Order of the Board
Shandong Boan Biotechnology Co., Ltd.
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Chairlady, Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director

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As at the date of this announcement, the executive directors of the Company are Ms. Jiang Hua and Mr. Wang Shenghan; the non-executive directors of the Company are Mr. Liu Yuanchong, Ms. Li Li and Mr. Li Shixu; and the independent non-executive directors of the Company are Professor Shi Luwen, Mr. Dai Jixiong and Dr. Yu Jialin.