UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

July 13, 2020

(Commission File No. 001-38475)

ASLAN PHARMACEUTICALS LIMITED

(REG. NO. 289175) (Translation of registrant's name into English)

CAYMAN ISLANDS (Jurisdiction of incorporation or organisation)

83 CLEMENCEAU AVENUE #12-03 UE SQUARE SINGAPORE 239920 (Address of registrant's principal executive office)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F. Form 20-F ⊠ Form 40-F □

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Announcement of second quarter 2020 financial results and corporate update

On July 13, 2020, ASLAN Pharmaceuticals Limited issued a press release announcing financial results for the second quarter ended 30 June 2020 and provided an update on its clinical activities.

A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference herein. **Exhibits**

Exhibit Number	Exhibit Description				
99.1	Press release dated July 13, 2020 regarding 2Q20 financial release and corporate update.				

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereto duly authorized.

ASLAN PHARMACEUTICALS LIMITED (Registrant)

By: /s/ l Name: Kir Title: Chi

/s/ Kiran Kumar Asarpota Kiran Kumar Asarpota Chief Operating Officer

Date: July 13, 2020



PRESS RELEASE

ASLAN PHARMACEUTICALS REPORTS SECOND QUARTER 2020 FINANCIAL RESULTS AND PROVIDES CORPORATE UPDATE

Singapore, 13 July 2020 – ASLAN Pharmaceuticals (Nasdaq:ASLN, TPEx:6497), a clinical-stage immunology and oncology focused biopharmaceutical company developing innovative treatments to transform the lives of patients, today reported financial results for the second quarter ended 30 June 2020 and provided an update on its clinical activities.

Dr Carl Firth, Chief Executive Officer, ASLAN Pharmaceuticals, said: "As COVID-19 restrictions gradually lift in Singapore we expect to resume recruitment into our multiple ascending dose (MAD) study of ASLAN004 in early August. With the continuing impact of COVID-19 causing some delays in patient recruitment, we plan to share further data from the trial during the fourth quarter of 2020. We have been proactive in preparing to open new study sites in Australia and the US to ensure we can accelerate recruitment, as well as support our planned global Phase 2b study in atopic dermatitis in 2021."

Second quarter 2020 and recent business highlights

Clinical development

ASLAN004

- Recruitment paused into randomised, double-blind, placebo-controlled MAD study of ASLAN004 in moderate to severe atopic dermatitis (AD) in April 2020 in response to government restrictions in Singapore to contain the spread of COVID-19.
- To accelerate recruitment, ASLAN has identified several clinical sites in Australia and the US that could join the ongoing MAD study in the third quarter.
- Clinical trial application submitted and regulatory process underway in Australia to initiate recruitment of patients into the ongoing MAD study.
- Preparations underway to file Investigational New Drug application to the US Food and Drug Administration later this month.

Varlitinib

• Two abstracts on *varlitinib* presented at the American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) virtual congress.

Anticipated upcoming milestones for ASLAN004

- Interim, unblinded data from the 3 dose cohorts (up to 24 patients) expected in 4Q 2020, and initiation of the expansion cohort (an additional 18 patients).
- Completion of MAD clinical trial in moderate-to-severe AD patients in 1H 2021.
- Initiation of Phase 2b study of ASLAN004 for AD in 2021.



Second quarter 2020 financial highlights

- Cash used in operations for the second quarter of 2020 was US\$3.0 million compared to US\$6.5 million in the same period in 2019.
- Research and development expenses were US\$1.9 million in the second quarter of 2020 compared to US\$5.3 million in the second quarter of 2019. The decrease was driven by the completion of clinical studies related to *varlitinib* and lower manufacturing expenses.
- General and administrative expenses were US\$1.8 million in the second quarter of 2020 compared to US\$1.9 million in the second quarter of 2019. The decrease was primarily due to lower headcount and staffing costs.
- Net loss for the second quarter of 2020 was US\$4.0 million compared to a net loss of US\$7.9 million for the second quarter of 2019.
- Cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments totaled US\$13.8 million as of 30 June 2020 compared to US\$22.2 million as of 31 December 2019. Weighted average shares outstanding for the second quarter of 2020 was 190.0 million compared to 160.2 million for the second quarter of 2019. One American Depositary Share is the equivalent of five ordinary shares.



ASLAN Pharmaceuticals Limited CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET1 (in US dollars)

	Dee	cember 31, 2019 (audited)	June 30, 2020 (unaudited)		
ASSETS			 		
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	22,203,031	\$ 13,827,444		
Prepayments	_	68,923	295,203		
Total current assets	_	22,271,954	14,122,647		
NON-CURRENT ASSETS					
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		68,256	59,002		
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income		132,160	57,829		
Property, plant and equipment		38,333	22,203		
Right-of-use assets		727,866	594,952		
Intangible assets		2,845	888		
Refundable deposits	_	108,076	108,076		
Total non-current assets	_	1,077,536	842,950		
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	23,349,490	\$ 14,965,597		
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY					
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Trade payables	\$	1,871,843	\$ 1,410,546		
Other payables		3,246,842	2,684,612		
Lease liabilities – current		264,543	274,077		
Total current liabilities	_	5,383,228	4,369,235		
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	_				
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss		262,350	262,350		
Long-term borrowings		17,065,305	17,120,010		
Long-term borrowing from related parties		566,176	607,661		
Lease liabilities - non-current		490,835	351,934		
Other non-current liabilities		184,870	253,596		
Total non-current liabilities		18,569,536	18,595,551		
Total liabilities	_	23,952,764	22,964,786		
EQUITY ATTRIBUTABLE TO STOCKHOLDERS OF THE COMPANY	_				
Ordinary shares		61,366,844	61,366,844		
Capital surplus		116,495,710	116,495,710		
Accumulated deficits		(179,484,825)	(186,490,714)		
Other reserves		(55,084)	(129,415)		
Total equity attributable to stockholders of the Company	_	(1,677,355)	(8,757,575)		
NON-CONTROLLING INTERESTS	—	1,074,081	758,386		
Total equity	_	(603,274)	(7,999,189)		
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$	23,349,490	\$ 14,965,597		



ASLAN Pharmaceuticals Limited CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)1 (in US dollars, unaudited)

	For the Three Months Ended 30 June				For the Six Months Ended 30 June			
		2019		2020		2019		2020
NET REVENUE	\$	-	\$	-	\$	3,000,000	\$	-
COST OF REVENUE		-		-	_	(425,000)		-
GROSS PROFIT		-		-	-	2,575,000		-
OPERATING EXPENSES					-			
General and administrative expenses	\$	(1,885,444)	\$	(1,790,880)		(4,141,805)	\$	(2,788,423)
Research and development expenses		(5,288,633)		(1,892,559)	_	(9,738,165)	_	(4,247,175)
Total operating expenses		(7,174,077)		(3,683,439)		(13,879,970)		(7,035,598)
LOSS FROM OPERATIONS		(7,174,077)		(3,683,439)	-	(11,304,970)		(7,035,598)
NON-OPERATING INCOME AND EXPENSES					-			
Interest income		75,187		114		144,211		216
Other gains and losses		(157,789)		(65,816)		(237,344)		391,435
Finance costs		(202,206)		(338,612)	_	(401,906)	_	(677,637)
Total non-operating income and expenses		(284,808)		(404,314)	_	(495,039)		(285,986)
LOSS BEFORE INCOME TAX		(7,458,885)		(4,087,753)	-	(11,800,009)		(7,321,584)
INCOME TAX EXPENSE		(472,082)		-	_	(475,000)		-
NET LOSS FOR THE PERIOD		(7,930,967)		(4,087,753)	-	(12,275,009)		(7,321,584)
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE LOSS					-			
Items that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:								
Unrealized loss on investments in equity instruments								
at fair value through other comprehensive income		-		(39,324)	-		_	(74,331)
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE LOSS FOR THE PERIOD	\$	(7,930,967)	\$	(4,127,077)	\$	(12,275,009)	\$	(7,395,915)
NET LOSS ATTRIBUTABLE TO:					-		_	
Stockholders of the Company		(7,930,967)		(3,959,184)		(12,275,009)		(7,005,889)
Non-controlling interests		-		(128,569		-		(315,695)
		(7,930,967)		(4,087,753)	-	(12,275,009)	_	(7,321,584)
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE LOSS ATTRIBUTABLE TO:					-		=	
Stockholders of the Company		(7,930,967)		(3,998,508)		(12,275,009)		(7,080,220)
Non-controlling interests		-		(128,569)		-		(315,695)
		(7,930,967)		(4,127,077)	-	(12,275,009)		(7,395,915)
LOSS PER SHARE					=	<u>`</u>	=	· · · ·
Basic and diluted	\$	(0.05)	\$	(0.02)	\$	(0.08)	\$	(0.04)
Weighed-avg. shares outstanding (in thousands)	-	160,249	-	189,955	-	160,249	_	189,955
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1 Financial statements in US dollars are prepared by the company and are unaudited by certified public accountant as of 30 Jun 2020.

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About ASLAN Pharmaceuticals

ASLAN Pharmaceuticals (Nasdaq:ASLN, TPEx:6497) is a clinical-stage immunology and oncology focused biopharmaceutical company developing innovative treatments to transform the lives of patients. Led by a senior management team with extensive experience in global development and commercialisation, ASLAN has a clinical portfolio comprised of a first in class monoclonal therapy, ASLAN004, that is being developed in atopic dermatitis and other immunology indications, and a small molecule inhibitor targeting oncology. ASLAN's partners include Almirall, Array BioPharma, Bristol-Myers Squibb, and CSL. For additional information please visit www.aslanpharma.com.

Forward looking statements

nis release and the accompanying financial information, if any, contains forward-looking statements. These statements are based on the current beliefs and expectations of the management of ASLAN Pharmaceuticals Limited and/or its affiliates (the "Company"). These forwardlooking statements may include, but are not limited to, statements regarding the Company's business strategy, the Company's plans to develop and commercialise its product candidates, the safety and efficacy of the Company's product candidates, the Company's plans and expected timing with respect to regulatory filings and approvals, and the size and growth potential of the markets for the Company's product candidates. The Company's estimates, projections and other forward-looking statements are based on management's current assumptions and expectations of future events and trends, which affect or may affect the Company's business, strategy, operations or financial performance, and inherently involve significant known and unknown risks and uncertainties. Actual results and the timing of events could differ materially from those anticipated in such forward-looking statements as a result of these risks and uncertainties, which include, without limitation the risk factors described in the Company's US Securities and Exchange Commission filings and reports (Commission File No. 001-38475), including the Company's prospectus dated May 8, 2018 filed with the US Securities and Exchange Commission on such date and its 20-F filed April 16, 2020.

All statements other than statements of historical fact are forward-looking statements. The words "believe," "may," "might," "could," "will," "aim," "estimate," "continue," "anticipate," "intend," "expect," "plan," or the negative of those terms, and similar expressions that convey uncertainty of future events or outcomes are intended to identify estimates, projections and other forward-looking statements. Estimates, projections and other forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they were made, and, except to the extent required by law, the Company undertakes no obligation to update or review any estimate, projection or forward-looking statement.