

AUDITORS' REPORT
PURSUANT TO ART. 156 OF LEGISLATIVE DECREE No. 58 OF FEBRUARY 24, 1998

To the Shareholders of
RECORDATI INDUSTRIA
CHIMICA E FARMACEUTICA S.p.A.

1. We have audited the financial statements of Recordati Industria Chimica e Farmaceutica S.p.A., which comprise the balance sheet as at December 31, 2008, and the income statement, statement of changes in equity and cash flow statement for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes. These financial statements prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the European Union and the requirements of national regulations issued pursuant to art. 9 of Italian Legislative Decree n° 38/2005 are the responsibility of the Company's Directors. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.
2. We conducted our audit in accordance with the Auditing Standards recommended by CONSOB, the Italian Commission for listed Companies and the Stock Exchange. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by the Directors, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

For the opinion on the prior year financial statements, the balances of which are presented for comparative purposes, reference should be made to our auditors' report issued on March 26, 2008.
3. In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly the financial position of Recordati Industria Chimica e Farmaceutica S.p.A. as of December 31, 2008, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with IFRS as adopted by the European Union and the requirements of national regulations issued pursuant to art. 9 of Italian Legislative Decree n° 38/2005.

4. The Directors of Recordati Industria Chimica e Farmaceutica S.p.A. are responsible for the preparation of the report on operations in accordance with the applicable laws and regulations. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the consistency of the report on operations with the financial statements, as required by art. 156, paragraph 4-*bis*, letter d), of the Legislative Decree n° 58/98. For this purpose, we have performed the procedures required under Auditing Standard n. 001 issued by the Italian Accounting Profession (CNDCEC) and recommended by CONSOB. In our opinion the report on operations is consistent with the financial statements of the Recordati Industria Chimica e Farmaceutica S.p.A. as of December 31, 2008.

DELOITTE & TOUCHE S.p.A.

Signed by
Riccardo Raffo
Partner

Milan, Italy
March 20, 2009

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