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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**Form 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT  
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)  
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): January 23, 2019**

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**WAVE LIFE SCIENCES LTD.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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**Singapore**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**001-37627**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**Not Applicable**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**7 Straits View #12-00, Marina One  
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Singapore 018936**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**018936**  
(Zip Code)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: +65 6236 3388**

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

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## ITEM 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On January 23, 2019, Wave Life Sciences Ltd. (the “Company”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) a preliminary prospectus supplement (the “Preliminary Prospectus Supplement”) to its effective shelf registration statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-215428) (the “Prospectus”) pursuant to Rule 424(b)(5) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Securities Act”), relating to an underwritten public offering of its ordinary shares (the “Offering”). The Company included the following disclosure in the Preliminary Prospectus Supplement:

“As of December 31, 2018, we had cash and cash equivalents of approximately \$174.8 million. The estimated cash and cash equivalents as of December 31, 2018 are preliminary and may change, were prepared by management and are based on the most current information available to management as of the date of this prospectus supplement, and are subject to completion by management of the financial statements as of and for the year ended December 31, 2018, including completion of the review procedures, final adjustments and other developments that may arise between now and the time the financial results for this period are finalized. As a result, there can be no assurance that our cash and cash equivalents as of December 31, 2018 will not differ from these estimates and any such changes could be material. For more information on factors that could cause actual results to differ from those described below are set forth in “Risk Factors” and “Special Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements.” The preliminary financial data included in this prospectus supplement has been prepared by, and is the responsibility of, our management. KPMG LLP has not audited, reviewed, compiled, or applied agreed-upon procedures with respect to the preliminary financial data. Accordingly, KPMG LLP does not express an opinion or any other form of assurance with respect thereto. Complete annual results will be included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2018, which is not expected to be filed until after this offering is completed.”

The information in this Item 2.02 shall not be deemed “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

## ITEM 8.01 Other Events.

On January 23, 2019, the Company issued a press release announcing the commencement of the Offering. In connection with the Offering, the Company also announced its intention to grant the underwriters an option for a period of up to 30 days to purchase up to an additional 15% of the number of ordinary shares sold in the Offering on the same terms and conditions. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1, and is incorporated herein by reference.

In addition, the Preliminary Prospectus Supplement for the Offering contains an updated summary description of the Company’s business in the section entitled “Prospectus Supplement Summary,” which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.2 and incorporated herein by reference. The information contained in Exhibit 99.2 updates and supersedes the information provided in the Company’s previous periodic filings with the SEC in order to reflect recent business developments.

The Company also updated the section entitled “Comparison of Shareholder Rights” in the Prospectus, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.3 and incorporated by reference into the Preliminary Prospectus Supplement. The information contained in Exhibit 99.3 updates and supersedes the information provided in the Company’s previous periodic filings with the SEC in order to reflect recent amendments to the Singapore Companies Act.

This Current Report on Form 8-K, including the Exhibits hereto, shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy any securities of the Company, which is being made only by means of a written prospectus meeting the requirements of Section 10 of the Securities Act, nor shall there be any sale of the Company’s securities in any state or jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of such jurisdiction.

## ITEM 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	<a href="#">Press release dated January 23, 2019, announcing a proposed offering of ordinary shares</a>
99.2	<a href="#">“Prospectus Supplement Summary” of Wave Life Sciences Ltd.’s Preliminary Prospectus Supplement dated January 23, 2019 to the Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-215428)</a>
99.3	<a href="#">Updated Comparison of Shareholder Rights</a>

**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 hereunto duly authorized.

**WAVE LIFE SCIENCES LTD.**

By: /s/ Keith C. Regnante

Keith C. Regnante  
Chief Financial Officer

Date: January 23, 2019



### **Wave Life Sciences Announces Proposed Public Offering of Ordinary Shares**

**CAMBRIDGE, Mass., January 23, 2019** – Wave Life Sciences Ltd. (Nasdaq: WVE), a genetic medicines company focused on delivering transformational therapies for patients with serious, genetically-defined diseases, announced today that it has commenced an underwritten public offering of its ordinary shares. In connection with the offering, Wave intends to grant the underwriters a 30-day option to purchase up to an additional 15% of the number of ordinary shares sold in the public offering on the same terms and conditions. All of the shares in the offering will be sold by Wave Life Sciences.

Jefferies, SVB Leerink and Mizuho Securities are acting as joint book-running managers for the offering. The offering is subject to market and other conditions, and there can be no assurance as to whether or when the offering may be completed, or as to the actual size or terms of the offering.

The offering will be made only by means of a prospectus and related prospectus supplement forming part of a shelf registration statement on Form S-3 that was previously filed with and declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") on February 6, 2017. A preliminary prospectus supplement and accompanying base prospectus relating to and describing the terms of the offering will be filed with the SEC and will be available on the SEC's website located at <http://www.sec.gov>, copies of which may be obtained, when available, from Jefferies LLC, Attention: Equity Syndicate Prospectus Department, 520 Madison Avenue, 2nd Floor, New York, NY 10022, by telephone: (212) 336-7460, or by e-mail: [Prospectus\\_Department@Jefferies.com](mailto:Prospectus_Department@Jefferies.com); SVB Leerink LLC, Attention: Syndicate Department, One Federal Street, 37th Floor, Boston, MA 02110, by telephone: (800) 808-7525, ext. 6132, or by e-mail: [syndicate@leerink.com](mailto:syndicate@leerink.com); or from Mizuho Securities USA LLC, Attn: Equity Capital Markets, 320 Park Avenue, 12th Floor, New York, NY 10022-6815, by telephone (212) 205-7600, or by email: [US-ECM@us.mizuho-sc.com](mailto:US-ECM@us.mizuho-sc.com). The final terms of the offering will be disclosed in a final prospectus supplement to be filed with the SEC.

This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell, or a solicitation of an offer to buy, nor will there be any sale of these securities in any state or other jurisdiction in which such an offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to the registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state or other jurisdiction.

#### **About Wave Life Sciences**

Wave Life Sciences is a genetic medicines company focused on delivering transformational therapies for patients with serious, genetically-defined diseases. Its chemistry platform enables the creation of highly specific, well characterized oligonucleotides designed to deliver superior efficacy and safety across multiple therapeutic modalities. The company's pipeline is initially focused on neurological disorders and extends across several other therapeutic areas.

#### **Forward-Looking Statements**

This press release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, as amended. The words "may," "will," "could," "would," "should," "expect," "plan," "anticipate," "intend," "believe," "estimate," "predict," "project," "potential,"

“continue,” “target” and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements, although not all forward-looking statements contain these identifying words. Forward-looking statements include statements regarding the completion of the proposed public offering. These statements are subject to various risks and uncertainties, actual results could differ materially from those projected and Wave cautions investors not to place undue reliance on the forward-looking statements in this press release. These risks and uncertainties include, without limitation, risks and uncertainties related to market conditions and satisfaction of customary closing conditions related to the public offering. There can be no assurance that Wave will be able to complete the public offering on the anticipated terms, or at all. Any forward-looking statements in this press release are based on management’s current expectations and beliefs and are subject to a number of risks, uncertainties and important factors that may cause actual events or results to differ materially from those expressed or implied by any forward-looking statements contained in this press release, including, without limitation, the risks and uncertainties described in the section entitled “Risk Factors” in Wave’s preliminary prospectus supplement related to the proposed offering filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on January 23, 2019 and Wave’s most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC, as amended, and in other filings Wave makes with the SEC from time to time. Wave undertakes no obligation to update the information contained in this press release to reflect subsequently occurring events or circumstances.

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**PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT SUMMARY**

*This summary highlights information contained elsewhere or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. This summary does not contain all of the information that you should consider before deciding to invest in our ordinary shares. You should read this entire prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus carefully, including the “Risk Factors” section contained in this prospectus supplement, our consolidated financial statements and the related notes thereto and the other documents and information incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus.*

**Overview**

We are a genetic medicines company with an innovative and proprietary synthetic chemistry drug development platform that we are using to rationally design, develop and commercialize a broad pipeline of first-in-class or best-in-class nucleic acid therapeutic candidates for genetically defined diseases. Nucleic acid therapeutics are a growing and innovative class of drugs that have the potential to address diseases that have historically been difficult to treat with small molecules or biologics. Nucleic acid therapeutics, or oligonucleotides, are comprised of a sequence of nucleotides that are linked together by a backbone of chemical bonds. We are initially developing oligonucleotides that target genetic defects to either reduce the expression of disease-promoting proteins or transform the production of dysfunctional mutant proteins into the production of functional proteins.

The nucleic acid therapeutics we are developing are stereopure oligonucleotides. A stereopure oligonucleotide is comprised of molecules with atoms precisely arranged in three-dimensional orientations at each linkage. We believe that controlling the position of the sulfur atom following phosphorothioate (“PS”) modification will optimize the pharmacological profile of our oligonucleotides by maximizing the potential therapeutic effect while minimizing the potential for side effects and safety risks. The stereopure oligonucleotides we are developing differ from the mixture-based nucleic acid therapeutics currently on the market or oligonucleotides in development by others. Our preclinical studies have demonstrated that our stereopure oligonucleotides may achieve superior pharmacological properties compared with mixture-based nucleic acid therapeutics. Our platform is designed to enable us to rationally design, optimize and produce stereopure oligonucleotides, which were previously thought to be too difficult to make and too expensive to manufacture. Further, our platform has the potential to design therapeutics that use any of the major molecular mechanisms employed by nucleic acid therapeutics, including antisense, ribonucleic acid interference (“RNAi”), splicing and exon skipping.

Our goal is to develop and commercialize disease-modifying drugs for genetically-defined diseases with a high degree of unmet medical need, and to become a fully integrated genetic medicines company. We are focused on designing single-stranded oligonucleotides that can distribute broadly within the human body, allowing us to target diseases across multiple organ systems and tissues, through both systemic and local administration. Our initial focus for our clinical development programs is in neurology, which we broadly define as genetic diseases within the neuromuscular system and central nervous system. We are conducting clinical trials of our lead program in Duchenne muscular dystrophy (“DMD”) targeting exon 51 and our two lead programs in Huntington’s disease (“HD”). We are advancing three additional development programs, targeting exon 53 in DMD and C9ORF72 in amyotrophic lateral sclerosis and frontotemporal dementia, and, subject to our submission of clinical trial applications and approval to proceed, we would expect topline clinical data readouts from these programs in the second half of 2020. In addition to neurology, we are advancing discovery research in ophthalmologic disorders, specifically inherited retinal diseases, and in hepatic diseases, and we expect to make continued investments in expanding the breadth of our portfolio. In further support of our pipeline, we continue to make substantial investments in, and leverage, our platform to potentially develop the next generation of stereopure oligonucleotides. We have also established and continue to enhance our internal current good manufacturing practices (“cGMP”) manufacturing capabilities to increase control and visibility of our drug substance supply chain. These investments further improve our ability to secure drug substance for current and future development activities and may provide commercial-scale manufacturing capabilities.

MUSCLE	TARGET	MECHANISM				TRIAL PHASE	WAVE'S COMMERCIAL RIGHTS	PARTNER
		DISCOVERY	CANDIDATE	CLINICAL				
Duchenne muscular dystrophy	Exon 51	(E)	●	●	●	Phase 1/OLE	100% Global	—
Duchenne muscular dystrophy	Exon 53	(E)	●	●	○		100% Global	—
Duchenne muscular dystrophy	Exons 44, 45, 52, 54, 55	(E)	●	○	○		100% Global	—
Neuromuscular diseases	Multiple	○	●	○	○		100% Global	—
<b>CNS</b>								
Huntington's disease	mHTT SNP1	(A)	●	●	●	Phase 1b/2a	50% Global	Takeda
Huntington's disease	mHTT SNP2	(A)	●	●	●	Phase 1b/2a	50% Global	Takeda
Huntington's disease	mHTT SNP3	(A)	●	○	○		50% Global	Takeda
Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis	C9orf72	(A)	●	●	○		50% Global	Takeda
Frontotemporal dementia	C9orf72	(A)	●	●	○		50% Global	Takeda
Spinocerebellar ataxia 3	ATXN3	(S)	●	●	○		50% Global	Takeda
CNS diseases	Multiple <sup>1</sup>	○	●	○	○		Milestones & Royalties	Takeda
<b>OPHTHALMOLOGY</b>								
Retinal diseases	RHO, USH2A, ABCA4, CEP290	○	●	○	○		100% Global	—
<b>HEPATIC</b>								
Metabolic liver diseases	APOC3 and Multiple (4) <sup>2</sup>	(S)	●	○	○		Milestones & Royalties	Pfizer

○ = silencing. A = allele-specific silencing. E = exon skipping. ○ = Open-label extension.

<sup>1</sup> During a four-year term, Wave and Takeda may collaborate on up to six preclinical targets at any one time.  
<sup>2</sup> Pfizer has nominated four undisclosed targets in addition to APOC3.

Additional details regarding our programs are set forth below.

Neurology: Muscle

- DMD is a genetic disorder caused by mutations in the *DMD* gene that result in dysfunctional dystrophin protein. DMD impacts approximately one in every 5,000 newborn boys each year, resulting in approximately 20,000 new cases worldwide annually. In DMD, we are advancing suvodirsen (WVE-210201), which targets exon 51, a region within the precursor messenger RNA (“pre-mRNA”) that is transcribed from the dystrophin gene (also referred to as the “*DMD*” gene). In November 2017, we initiated a global, multicenter, double-blind, randomized, placebo-controlled, single-ascending dose Phase 1 clinical trial of suvodirsen administered intravenously. The primary endpoint of the trial was safety and tolerability. The Phase 1 inclusion criteria allowed for participation by patients who are amenable to exon 51 skipping, ages 5-18, ambulatory and non-ambulatory, as well as those previously treated with eteplirsen or ataluren following an appropriate washout period. On December 6, 2018, we announced that the safety and tolerability data from the Phase 1 trial support initiation of a Phase 2/3 clinical trial of suvodirsen and that we selected a dose for the Phase 2/3 trial. We plan to present the results from the Phase 1 trial, as well as details of the Phase 2/3 trial design, at upcoming scientific meetings. As patients complete the Phase 1 trial, they have the option to enroll in an ongoing open label extension study (“OLE”) in which they continue to receive suvodirsen. The OLE is expected to enroll up to 40 patients who previously participated in the Phase 1 trial. Patients in the OLE are undergoing quarterly clinical assessments using validated clinical outcome measures and are having muscle biopsies taken so that an interim analysis may be conducted by measuring dystrophin expression using a standardized Western blot. Data from this interim analysis are intended to be an important component of a submission to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (“FDA”) for accelerated approval of suvodirsen in the United States, and we remain on track to deliver these data in the second half of 2019. We anticipate initiating the global, placebo-controlled Phase 2/3 efficacy and safety clinical trial of suvodirsen in 2019. The Phase 2/3 trial is designed to measure clinical efficacy and dystrophin expression, and we intend to use the results of this trial to seek regulatory approvals globally. On January 3, 2019, we announced that the Phase 2/3 trial of suvodirsen had been selected for the FDA pilot program for complex innovative trial designs (“CID”). In evaluating

submissions for the CID pilot program, the FDA considered two key criteria: the innovative features of the Phase 2/3 trial design and the therapeutic need (i.e., therapeutics being developed for use in disease areas where there are limited or no treatment options). Through the CID pilot program, we intend to reduce the number of patients required to deliver conclusive clinical efficacy results, thereby minimizing the number of patients required in the placebo treatment arm and potentially accelerating completion of the trial. This marks the first time that the FDA has selected clinical protocols for its CID pilot program that was announced in August 2018.

- Our second development program in DMD, WVE-N531, targets exon 53. Subject to our submission of clinical trial applications and approval to proceed, we would expect to deliver topline clinical data for WVE-N531 in the second half of 2020.
- Also in DMD, we are exploring programs targeting DMD exons 44, 45, 52, 54 and 55 and investigating alternative forms of delivery, including subcutaneous administration, for our existing and future DMD programs.
- In addition to DMD, we are conducting research to identify potential targets for other neuromuscular diseases where our novel platform technology, candidate discovery and rational design process may be most effective.

*Neurology: Central Nervous System (“CNS”)*

- In HD, we are advancing two programs, WVE-120101 and WVE-120102, each targeting a disease-associated single nucleotide polymorphism (“SNP”) within the *huntingtin* gene (“*HTT*”): rs362307 (“*HTT* SNP1”) and rs362331 (“*HTT* SNP2”), respectively. Targeting mRNA transcript with these SNPs allows us to lower the mutant allele transcript, while leaving the healthy transcript relatively intact. We commonly refer to this method (or approach) as “allele specific targeting.” SNPs are naturally occurring variations within a given genetic sequence and in certain instances can be used to distinguish between two related copies of a gene where only one is associated with the expression of a disease-causing protein. We have shown that by targeting *HTT* SNP1 and *HTT* SNP2 in preclinical *in vitro* studies, the production of disease-causing proteins associated with HD can be reduced. As part of ongoing, required and routine toxicology support of our clinical programs, we continue to conduct *in vivo* nonclinical toxicology studies for WVE-120101 and WVE-120102. A recent *in vivo* micronucleus assay yielded results that require additional nonclinical studies that we are planning to conduct. In July 2017, we initiated PRECISION-HD, a global clinical program consisting of the PRECISION-HD1 and PRECISION-HD2 clinical trials. PRECISION-HD1 and PRECISION-HD2 are two parallel, multicenter, double-blind, randomized, placebo-controlled Phase 1b/2a clinical trials evaluating WVE-120101 and WVE-120102, respectively, administered intrathecally, consisting of single-ascending dose and multiple-ascending dose portions. The primary objective of these two trials is to assess the safety and tolerability of intrathecal doses of WVE-120101 and WVE-120102, respectively, in early manifest HD patients. Additional objectives include measurement of total *HTT* protein and mutant *HTT* protein, and exploratory pharmacokinetic, pharmacodynamic, clinical and MRI endpoints. Each trial is expected to enroll approximately 50 Stage I or Stage II HD patients, ages 25-65, who have screened positively for the presence of SNP1 or SNP2. Outside of the United States, we are enrolling patients in both the single-ascending dose and multiple-ascending dose portions of the PRECISION-HD1 and PRECISION-HD2 trials. In the United States, we received approvals to proceed with the single-dose portions of both trials. However, the FDA indicated to us that we cannot progress to the multiple-ascending dose portions of these trials in the United States unless we conduct an additional preclinical study and present the resulting data to the FDA for its review. For the single-dose portion of the PRECISION-HD1 trial in the United States, escalation to our highest proposed doses is subject to the FDA’s review and approval of additional monitoring plans. We expect to deliver topline clinical data from the PRECISION-HD trials in the first half of 2019.
- In amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (“ALS”) and frontotemporal dementia (“FTD”), we are advancing WVE-3972-01, which preferentially targets the transcript containing the GGGGCC (“G4C2”) expansion in the *C9ORF72* gene. WVE-3972-01 is designed to minimize the impact on normal *C9ORF72* protein



levels in patients, thereby reducing potential on-target risk. The G4C2 expansion in the *C9ORF72* gene is the most common cause of familial ALS and FTD and is a strong genetic risk factor for non-inherited (sporadic) forms of ALS and FTD. Subject to our submission of clinical trial applications and approval to proceed, we would expect to deliver topline clinical data for WVE-3972-01 in the second half of 2020.

- In spinocerebellar ataxia 3 (“SCA3”), we are advancing a lead candidate targeting *ATXN3*. SCA3 is a rare, hereditary (autosomal dominant), progressive, neurodegenerative disorder that is caused by a CAG-repeat expansion in the *ATXN3* gene.
- We are collaborating with Takeda Pharmaceutical Company Limited (“Takeda”) to advance genetically defined targets for the treatment of other CNS disorders, including Alzheimer’s disease and Parkinson’s disease. Under the terms of the agreement, we may collaborate with Takeda on up to six preclinical programs at any one time, during a four-year term. Takeda is entitled to exclusively license multiple preclinical programs from us during the term.

#### *Ophthalmology*

- We are designing and advancing stereopure oligonucleotides for the potential treatment of rare, inherited eye diseases. Our research is assessing four inherited retinal diseases, which typically begin in childhood or adolescence and commonly lead to progressive vision loss: retinitis pigmentosa due to a P23H mutation in the *RHO* gene, Stargardt disease, Usher syndrome type 2A and Leber congenital amaurosis 10. Our preclinical data demonstrate that a single intravitreal injection of stereopure oligonucleotide in the eye of non-human primates resulted in greater than 95% knockdown of a target RNA in the retina for at least four months. Based on these data, we are working to design candidates that could achieve a therapeutic effect with only two doses per year. We expect to announce our first ophthalmology candidate in the second half of 2019.

#### *Hepatic*

- We are collaborating with Pfizer to advance genetically defined targets for the treatment of metabolic diseases, bringing together our proprietary drug development platform across antisense and single-stranded RNAi modalities, along with GalNAc and Pfizer’s hepatic targeting technology for delivery to the liver. Pfizer has selected five targets, including Apolipoprotein C-III (*APOC3*), which is the maximum number of targets that Pfizer may select under the terms of the agreement. We will advance five targets from discovery through the selection of clinical candidates, at which point Pfizer may elect to exclusively license the programs and undertake further development and potential commercialization.

#### **Our Strategy**

We are leveraging our innovative and proprietary synthetic chemistry drug development platform to design, develop and commercialize optimized disease-modifying nucleic acid therapeutics for indications with a high degree of unmet medical need in genetically defined diseases. We are focused on designing single-stranded oligonucleotides that can distribute broadly within the human body, allowing us to target diseases across multiple organ systems and tissues, through both systemic and local administration. Our initial programs are focused in neurology and are aimed at addressing DMD, HD, ALS and FTD. In parallel to our neurology programs, we are exploring additional therapeutic areas that may benefit from the application of our platform.

The key components of our strategy are as follows:

- ***Maintain and extend our leadership in oligonucleotides.*** We intend to establish a dominant position in the field of oligonucleotides, advancing basic research and pharmacology using stereochemistry across multiple therapeutic modalities and target classes. Our efforts are already revealing structure-activity relationships amongst chemical modification, stereochemistry and pharmacology that may allow us to tune the activity of our oligonucleotides in a previously unexplored modality-specific manner.
- ***Rapidly advance our clinical development programs.*** We are advancing three programs currently in clinical development: suvodirsen targeting exon 51 in DMD and WVE-120101 and WVE-120102,

targeting HTT SNP1 and HTT SNP2, respectively, in HD. We expect to deliver topline data from our two Phase 1b/2a trials in HD in the first half of 2019. In DMD, we expect to deliver an interim analysis of dystrophin expression from the OLE for suvodirsen in the second half of 2019.

- **Sustain our leadership in neurology.** We are committed to transforming the care of rare genetic diseases in neurology, which we broadly define as the neuromuscular system and the CNS. Our current neurology development programs offer a foundation from which to transform our company into a fully integrated commercial organization. We also believe there are additional areas within neurology, specifically neurodegenerative movement disorders, neuromuscular diseases beyond DMD and neurodegenerative dementias, that we can uniquely address with our chemistry platform to reach underserved patient populations.
- **Expand our pipeline.** We remain intent on making disciplined investments in our platform to enable a sustainable discovery and development engine for future growth. We believe our platform will yield optimized nucleic acid therapeutic candidates to deepen our pipeline in neurologic and hepatic diseases, as well as to allow us to broaden our pipeline into additional therapeutic areas, such as ophthalmology, where our initial focus is in rare, inherited retinal diseases. We will continue to pursue these investments through wholly-owned programs as well as through potential partnerships and collaborations.
- **Leverage manufacturing leadership in stereopure oligonucleotides.** We expect that our manufacturing capabilities based in our Lexington, Massachusetts facility, and our growing internal expertise in cGMP, specifically for stereopure oligonucleotides, will better facilitate our growth and enhances our ability to secure drug substance for current and future development activities and, potentially, commercial-scale manufacturing. In July 2017, we took occupancy of the approximately 90,000 square foot multi-use Lexington facility and began manufacturing production in the fourth quarter of 2017.

#### **Recent Developments**

As of December 31, 2018, we had cash and cash equivalents of approximately \$174.8 million. The estimated cash and cash equivalents as of December 31, 2018 are preliminary and may change, were prepared by management and are based on the most current information available to management as of the date of this prospectus supplement, and are subject to completion by management of the financial statements as of and for the year ended December 31, 2018, including completion of the review procedures, final adjustments and other developments that may arise between now and the time the financial results for this period are finalized. As a result, there can be no assurance that our cash and cash equivalents as of December 31, 2018 will not differ from these estimates and any such changes could be material. For more information on factors that could cause actual results to differ from those described below are set forth in “Risk Factors” and “Special Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements.” The preliminary financial data included in this prospectus supplement has been prepared by, and is the responsibility of, our management. KPMG LLP has not audited, reviewed, compiled, or applied agreed-upon procedures with respect to the preliminary financial data. Accordingly, KPMG LLP does not express an opinion or any other form of assurance with respect thereto. Complete annual results will be included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2018, which is not expected to be filed until after this offering is completed.

#### **Risks Relating to Our Business**

We are a genetic medicines company, and our business and ability to execute our business strategy are subject to a number of significant risks of which you should be aware before you decide to buy our ordinary shares. Among these important risks are the following:

- We are a clinical-stage genetic medicines company with a history of losses, and we expect to continue to incur losses for the foreseeable future, and we may never achieve or maintain profitability.
- We will require substantial additional funding, which may not be available on acceptable terms, or at all.

- Our management has broad discretion over the use of proceeds received from sales of our securities, including sales of our securities in this offering, and our collaborations with third parties, and the proceeds may not be used effectively.
- Our short operating history may make it difficult for shareholders to evaluate the success of our business to date and to assess our future viability.
- The approach we are taking to discover and develop our oligonucleotides is novel and may never lead to marketable products.
- Because we are developing nucleic acid therapeutics, which are considered a relatively new class of drugs, there is increased risk that the outcome of our clinical trials will not be sufficient to obtain regulatory approval.
- Our preclinical studies and clinical trials may not be successful. If we are unable to commercialize our product candidates or experience significant delays in doing so, our business will be materially harmed.
- If we cannot successfully manufacture our product candidates for our research and development and preclinical activities, or manufacture sufficient amounts of our product candidates to meet our clinical requirements and timelines, our business may be materially harmed.
- Results of preclinical studies and early clinical trials may not be predictive of results of future clinical trials.
- If we experience delays or difficulties in the enrollment of patients in clinical trials, our receipt of necessary regulatory approvals could be delayed or prevented.
- We may be unable to obtain regulatory approval in the United States or foreign jurisdictions and, as a result, be unable to commercialize our product candidates and our ability to generate revenue will be materially impaired.
- We have been granted orphan drug designation for our product candidates in various jurisdictions, but there can be no guarantee that we will maintain orphan drug status for these product candidates or receive orphan drug approval.
- Even if we obtain regulatory approvals, our marketed drugs will be subject to ongoing regulatory oversight. If we fail to comply with continuing U.S. and foreign requirements, our approvals could be limited or withdrawn, we could be subject to other penalties, and our business would be seriously harmed.
- Any drugs we develop may become subject to unfavorable pricing regulations, third-party reimbursement practices or healthcare reform initiatives, thereby harming our business.
- We depend on collaborations with third parties for the development and commercialization of certain of our product candidates.
- We rely, and expect to continue to rely, on third parties to conduct some aspects of our compound formulation, research, preclinical studies and clinical trials, and those third parties may not perform satisfactorily, including failing to meet deadlines for the completion of such formulation, research or testing.
- If any of our research collaborators terminates or fails to perform its obligations under agreements with us, the development and commercialization of our product candidates could be delayed or our business could be otherwise adversely affected.
- We rely on third parties to design, conduct, supervise and monitor our preclinical studies and clinical trials, and if those third parties perform in an unsatisfactory manner, it may harm our business.
- We rely on third parties to supply and manufacture our product candidates for our research, preclinical and clinical activities, and may do the same for commercial supplies of our product candidates.
- If any of our product candidates are approved for marketing and commercialization and we are unable to develop sales, marketing and distribution capabilities on our own, or enter into agreements with third parties to perform these functions on acceptable terms, we will be unable to commercialize successfully any such future products.

- If we are not able to obtain and enforce patent protection for our technologies or product candidates, development and commercialization of our product candidates may be adversely affected.
- Other companies or organizations may challenge our or our licensors' patent rights or may assert patent rights that prevent us from developing and commercializing our products.
- As of December 31, 2018, we are no longer an emerging growth company and are no longer able to take advantage of the reduced disclosure requirements and other exemptions applicable to emerging growth companies.
- We are incorporated in Singapore and our shareholders may have more difficulty protecting their interests than they would as shareholders of a corporation incorporated in the United States.

If we are unable to adequately address these and other risks we face, our business, financial condition, operating results and prospects may be adversely affected. For additional information about the risks we face, please see the information contained in or incorporated by reference under "Risk Factors" on page S-10 of this prospectus supplement and page 6 of the accompanying prospectus.

### **Corporate History and Information**

Wave Life Sciences Pte. Ltd. (Registration No.: 201218209G) was incorporated under the laws of Singapore on July 23, 2012. On November 16, 2015, we closed our initial public offering. In connection with our initial public offering, on November 5, 2015, Wave Life Sciences Pte. Ltd. converted from a private limited company to a public limited company known as Wave Life Sciences Ltd. ("Wave"). Wave has four wholly-owned subsidiaries: Wave Life Sciences USA, Inc. ("Wave USA"), a Delaware corporation (formerly Ontorii, Inc.); Wave Life Sciences Japan, Inc. ("Wave Japan"), a company organized under the laws of Japan (formerly Chiralgen., Ltd.); Wave Life Sciences Ireland Limited ("Wave Ireland"), a company organized under the laws of Ireland; and Wave Life Sciences UK Limited ("Wave UK"), a company organized under the laws of England and Wales.

Our registered office is located at 7 Straits View #12-00 Marina One East Tower, Singapore 018936, and our telephone number at that address is +65 6236 3388. Our principal offices for Wave USA are located at 733 Concord Avenue, Cambridge, MA 02138, and our telephone number at that address is +1-617-949-2900. Our registered office for Wave Japan is 2438 Miyanoura-cho, Kagoshima-shi, Kagoshima pref. 891-1394, Japan. Our registered office for Wave Ireland is One Spencer Dock, North Wall Quay, Dublin 1, Ireland. Our registered office for Wave UK is Hays Galleria, 1 Hays Lane, London, SE1 2RD, United Kingdom. Our corporate website address is [www.wavelifesciences.com](http://www.wavelifesciences.com). The information on our website is not part of this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus or incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus, and you should not consider any information contained on, or that can be accessed through, our website in deciding whether to purchase our ordinary shares. Our Annual Report on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and Current Reports on Form 8-K and all amendments to such reports are made available free of charge through the "For Investors & Media—Financial Information" section of our website as soon as reasonably practicable after they have been filed or furnished with the SEC.

## COMPARISON OF SHAREHOLDER RIGHTS

We are incorporated under the laws of Singapore. The following discussion summarizes material differences between the rights of holders of our ordinary shares and the rights of holders of the common stock of a typical corporation incorporated under the laws of the state of Delaware which result from differences in governing documents and the laws of Singapore and Delaware.

This discussion does not purport to be a complete statement of the rights of holders of our ordinary shares under applicable law in Singapore and our constitution or the rights of holders of the common stock of a typical corporation under applicable Delaware law and a typical certificate of incorporation and bylaws.

Delaware	Singapore
<b>Board of Directors</b>	
<p>A typical certificate of incorporation and bylaws provides that the number of directors on the board of directors will be fixed from time to time by a vote of the majority of the authorized directors. Under Delaware law, a board of directors can be divided into classes and cumulative voting in the election of directors is only permitted if expressly authorized in a corporation's certificate of incorporation.</p>	<p>The constitution of companies will typically state the minimum and maximum number of directors as well as provide that the number of directors may be increased or reduced by shareholders via ordinary resolution passed at a general meeting, provided that the number of directors following such increase or reduction is within the maximum (if any) and minimum number of directors provided in our constitution and the Singapore Companies Act, respectively.</p>
<b>Limitation on Personal Liability of Directors</b>	
<p>A typical certificate of incorporation provides for the elimination of personal monetary liability of directors for breach of fiduciary duties as directors to the fullest extent permissible under the laws of Delaware, except for liability (i) for any breach of a director's loyalty to the corporation or its stockholders, (ii) for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, (iii) under Section 174 of the Delaware General Corporation Law (relating to the liability of directors for unlawful payment of a dividend or an unlawful stock purchase or redemption) or (iv) for any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit. A typical certificate of incorporation also provides that if the Delaware General Corporation Law is amended so as to allow further elimination of, or limitations on, director liability, then the liability of directors will be eliminated or limited to the fullest extent permitted by the Delaware General Corporation Law as so amended.</p>	<p>Pursuant to the Singapore Companies Act, any provision (whether in the constitution, a contract with the company or otherwise) exempting or indemnifying a director against any liability which by law would otherwise attach to him or her in respect of any negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust of which such director may be guilty in relation to the company is void. However, a company is not prohibited from (a) purchasing and maintaining for any such director insurance against any such liability, or (b) indemnifying such director against any liability incurred by him or her to a person other than the company except when the indemnity is against any liability (i) of the director to pay a fine in criminal proceedings, (ii) of the director to pay a penalty in respect of non-compliance with any regulatory requirements, (iii) incurred by the director in defending criminal proceedings in which he or she is convicted, (iv) incurred by the director in defending civil proceedings brought by the company or a related company in which judgment is given against him or her, or (v) incurred by the director in connection with an application for relief under Section 76A(13) or Section 391 of the Singapore Companies Act in which the court refuses to grant him or her relief. Nevertheless, a director can be released by the shareholders of a company for breaches of duty to a company except in the case of fraud, illegality, insolvency of the company and oppression or disregard of minority interests.</p> <p>Subject to the Singapore Companies Act and every other Singapore statute for the time being in force and affecting the Company, we may indemnify our</p>

**Interested Shareholders**

Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law generally prohibits a Delaware corporation from engaging in specified corporate transactions (such as mergers, stock and asset sales, and loans) with an “interested stockholder” for three years following the time that the stockholder becomes an interested stockholder. Subject to specified exceptions, an “interested stockholder” is a person or group that owns 15% or more of the corporation’s outstanding voting stock (including any rights to acquire stock pursuant to an option, warrant, agreement, arrangement or understanding, or upon the exercise of conversion or exchange rights, and stock with respect to which the person has voting rights only), or is an affiliate or associate of the corporation and was the owner of 15% or more of the voting stock at any time within the previous three years.

A Delaware corporation may elect to “opt out” of, and not be governed by, Section 203 through a provision in either its original certificate of incorporation, or an amendment to its original certificate or bylaws that was approved by majority stockholder vote. With a limited exception, this amendment would not become effective until 12 months following its adoption.

**Removal of Directors**

A typical certificate of incorporation and bylaws provide that, subject to the rights of holders of any preferred stock, directors may be removed at any time by the affirmative vote of the holders of at least a majority, or in some instances a supermajority, of the voting power of all of the then outstanding shares entitled to vote generally in the election of directors, voting together as a single class. A certificate of incorporation could also provide that such a right is only exercisable when a director is being removed for cause (removal of a director only for cause is the default rule in the case of a classified board).

directors against costs, charges, fees, and other expenses that may be incurred by any of them in defending any proceedings (whether civil or criminal) relating to anything done or omitted or alleged to be done or omitted by such person acting in his or her capacity as a director of our company, in which judgment is given in his or her favor, or in which he or she is acquitted or in which the courts have granted relief pursuant to the provisions of the Singapore Companies Act, provided that such indemnity shall not extend to any liability which by law would otherwise attach to him or her in respect of any negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust of which he may be guilty in relation to our company, or which would otherwise result in such indemnity being voided under applicable Singapore laws.

There are no comparable provisions under the Singapore Companies Act with respect to public companies which are not listed on the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited.

Under the Singapore Companies Act, directors of a public company may be removed before expiration of their term of office, notwithstanding anything in its constitution or in any agreement between the public company and such directors, by ordinary resolution (i.e., a resolution which is passed by a simple majority of those shareholders present and voting in person or by proxy). Notice of the intention to move such a resolution has to be given to the company not less than 28 days before the meeting at which it is moved. The company shall then give notice of such resolution to its

**Filling Vacancies on the Board of Directors**

A typical certificate of incorporation and bylaws provide that, subject to the rights of the holders of any preferred stock, any vacancy, whether arising through death, resignation, retirement, disqualification, removal, an increase in the number of directors or any other reason, may be filled by a majority vote of the remaining directors, even if such directors remaining in office constitute less than a quorum, or by the sole remaining director. Any newly elected director usually holds office for the remainder of the full term expiring at the annual meeting of stockholders at which the term of the class of directors to which the newly elected director has been elected expires.

**Amendment of Governing Documents**

Under the Delaware General Corporation Law, amendments to a corporation's certificate of incorporation require the approval of stockholders holding a majority of the outstanding shares entitled to vote on the amendment. If a class vote on the amendment is required by the Delaware General Corporation Law, a majority of the outstanding stock of the class is required, unless a greater proportion is specified in the certificate of incorporation or by other provisions of the Delaware General Corporation Law. Under the Delaware General Corporation Law, the board of directors may amend bylaws if so authorized in the charter. The stockholders of a Delaware corporation also have the power to amend bylaws.

shareholders not less than 14 days before the meeting. Where any director removed in this manner was appointed to represent the interests of any particular class of shareholders or debenture holders, the resolution to remove such director will not take effect until such director's successor has been appointed.

The constitution of a Singapore company typically provides that the directors have the power to appoint any person to be a director, either to fill a vacancy or as an addition to the existing directors, but so that the total number of directors shall not at any time exceed the maximum number (if any) fixed by or in accordance with the constitution. Any director so appointed shall hold office until the next following annual general meeting, where such director will then be eligible for re-election. Our constitution provides that the directors may appoint any person to be a director either to fill a casual vacancy or as an additional director but so that the total number of Directors shall not at any time exceed the maximum number fixed by or in accordance with the constitution.

Our constitution may be altered by special resolution (i.e., a resolution passed by at least a three-fourths majority of the shareholders entitled to vote, present in person or by proxy at a meeting for which not less than 21 days' written notice is given). The board of directors has no right to amend the constitution.

Under the Singapore Companies Act, an entrenching provision may be included in the constitution with which a company is formed and may at any time be inserted into the constitution of a company only if all the shareholders of the company agree. An entrenching provision is a provision of the constitution of a company to the effect that other specified provisions of the constitution may not be altered in the manner provided by the Singapore Companies Act or may not be so altered except (i) by a resolution passed by a specified majority greater than 75% (the minimum majority required by the Singapore Companies Act for a special resolution) or (ii) where other specified conditions are met. The Singapore Companies Act provides that such entrenching provision may be removed or altered only if all the members of the company agree.

*Annual and Special Meetings*

Typical bylaws provide that annual meetings of stockholders are to be held on a date and at a time fixed by the board of directors. Under the Delaware General Corporation Law, a special meeting of stockholders may be called by the board of directors or by any other person authorized to do so in the certificate of incorporation or the bylaws.

*Quorum Requirements*

Under the Delaware General Corporation Law, a corporation's certificate of incorporation or bylaws can specify the number of shares which constitute the quorum required to conduct business at a meeting, provided that in no event shall a quorum consist of less than one-third of the shares entitled to vote at a meeting.

*Annual General Meetings*

All companies are required to hold an annual general meeting after the end of each financial year within either 4 months (in the case of a public company that is listed on an exchange in Singapore approved by the Monetary Authority of Singapore) or 6 months (in the case of any other company).

*Extraordinary General Meetings*

Any general meeting other than the annual general meeting is called an "extraordinary general meeting." Notwithstanding anything in the constitution, directors of a company are required to convene an extraordinary general meeting if required to do so by requisition (i.e. written notice, requiring that a meeting be called, given to the directors) by shareholder(s) holding not less than 10% of the total number of paid-up shares as at the date of the deposit of the requisition carrying the right of voting at general meetings of the company. In addition, the constitution usually also provides that general meetings may be convened in accordance with the Singapore Companies Act by the directors.

*Quorum Requirements*

Our constitution provides that any two shareholders present in person or by proxy or by attorney or, in the case of a corporation, by a representative and entitled to vote thereat; in each case representing in aggregate not less than a majority of the total voting rights of all shareholders having the right to vote at a general meeting, shall constitute a quorum. In the event a quorum is not present, the meeting if not convened on the requisition of shareholders may be adjourned for one week. When reconvened, the quorum for the meeting will be the same and if at such adjourned meeting a quorum is not present, the meeting will be dissolved.

*Shareholders' Rights at Meetings*

The Singapore Companies Act provides that every member shall, notwithstanding any provision in the constitution, have a right to attend any general meeting of the company and to speak on any resolution before the meeting. The company's constitution may provide that a member shall not be entitled to vote unless all calls or other sums personally payable by him in respect of shares in the company have been paid.

Public companies may issue non-voting shares and shares that confer special, limited and conditional voting rights, such that the holder of a share may vote on a resolution before a general meeting if, in accordance with the provisions of Section 64A of the Singapore Companies Act, the share confers on the holder a right to vote on the resolution.



Under the Singapore Companies Act, (a) any number of shareholders representing not less than 5% of the total voting rights of all the shareholders having at the date of requisition a right to vote at a meeting to which the requisition relates or (b) not less than 100 shareholders holding shares on which there has been paid up an average sum, per shareholder, of not less than S\$500, may requisition the company to give to shareholders notice of any resolution which may properly be moved and is intended to be moved at the next annual general meeting, and circulate to shareholders any statement of not more than 1,000 words with respect to the matter referred to in any proposed resolution or the business to be dealt with at that meeting.

### **Indemnification of Officers, Directors and Employees**

Under the Delaware General Corporation Law, subject to specified limitations in the case of derivative suits brought by a corporation's stockholders in its name, a corporation may indemnify any person who is made a party to any third-party action, suit or proceeding on account of being a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation (or was serving at the request of the corporation in such capacity for another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise) against expenses, including attorney's fees, judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by him or her in connection with the action, suit or proceeding through, among other things, a majority vote of a quorum consisting of directors who were not parties to the suit or proceeding, if the person:

- acted in good faith and in a manner he or she reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation or, in some circumstances, at least not opposed to its best interests; and
- in a criminal proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe his or her conduct was unlawful.

Delaware corporate law permits indemnification by a corporation under similar circumstances for expenses (including attorneys' fees) actually and reasonably incurred by such persons in connection with the defense or settlement of a derivative action or suit, except that no indemnification may be made in respect of any claim, issue or matter as to which the person is adjudged to be liable to the corporation unless the Delaware Court of Chancery or the court in which the action or suit was brought determines upon application that the person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnity for the expenses which the court deems to be proper.

Under Section 172 of the Singapore Companies Act, any provision exempting or indemnifying the officers of a company (including directors) against liability, which by law would otherwise attach to them for any negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust in relation to the company is void.

However, the Singapore Companies Act allows a company to:

- purchase and maintain for any officer insurance against any liability which by law would otherwise attach to such officer in connection with any negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust in relation to the company;
- indemnify such officer against any liability incurred by him or her to a person other than the company except when the indemnity is against any liability (i) of the officer to pay a fine in criminal proceedings, (ii) of the officer to pay a penalty in respect of non-compliance with any regulatory requirements, (iii) incurred by the officer in defending criminal proceedings in which he or she is convicted, (iv) incurred by the officer in defending civil proceedings brought by the company or a related company in which judgment is given against him or her, or (v) incurred by the officer in connection with an application for relief under Section 76A(13) or Section 391 of the Singapore Companies Act in which the court refuses to grant him or her relief.

#### **Delaware**

To the extent a director, officer, employee or agent is successful in the defense of such an action, suit or proceeding, the corporation is required by Delaware corporate law to indemnify such person for reasonable expenses incurred thereby. Expenses (including attorneys' fees) incurred by such persons in defending any action, suit or proceeding may be paid in advance of the final disposition of such action, suit or proceeding upon receipt of an undertaking by or on behalf of that person to repay the amount if it is ultimately determined that that person is not entitled to be so indemnified.

#### **Singapore**

In cases where a director is sued by the company, the Singapore Companies Act gives the court the power to relieve directors either wholly or partially from their liability for their negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust. In order for relief to be obtained, it must be shown that (i) the director acted reasonably and honestly; and (ii) it is fair, having regard to all the circumstances of the case including those connected with such director's appointment, to excuse the director. However, Singapore case law has indicated that such relief will not be granted to a director who has benefited as a result of his or her breach of trust.

Our constitution provides that subject to the provisions of the Singapore Companies Act and every other applicable statute for the time being in force concerning companies and affecting the company, the directors and officers are entitled to be indemnified against costs, charges, fees and other expenses that may be incurred by such person in defending any proceedings, whether civil or criminal, which relates to anything done or omitted or alleged to be done or omitted by such person as a director, officer or employee of the company and in which judgment is given in his or her favor or in which such person is acquitted or in which the courts have granted relief pursuant to the provisions of the Singapore Companies Act, provided that such indemnity shall not extend to any liability which by law would otherwise attach to him or her in respect of any negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust of which he or she may be guilty in relation to the company, or which would otherwise result in such indemnity being voided under applicable Singapore laws.

#### **Shareholder Approval of Issuances of Shares**

Under Delaware law, the board of directors has the authority to issue, from time to time, capital stock in its sole discretion, as long the number the shares to be issued, together with those shares that are already issued and outstanding and those shares reserved to be issued, do not exceed the authorized capital for the corporation as previously approved by the stockholders and set forth in the corporation's certificate of incorporation. Under the foregoing circumstances, no additional stockholder approval is required for the issuance of capital stock. Under Delaware law, stockholder approval is required (i) for any amendment to the corporation's certificate of incorporation to increase the authorized capital and (ii) for the issuance of stock in a direct merger transaction where the number of shares exceeds 20% of the corporation's shares outstanding prior to the transaction, regardless of whether there sufficient authorized capital.

Section 161 of the Singapore Companies Act provides that notwithstanding anything in the company's constitution, the directors shall not exercise any power to issue shares without prior approval of Company's shareholders in a general meeting. The affirmative vote of shareholders holding at least a majority of the ordinary shares held by the shareholders present in person or represented by proxy at the annual general meeting and entitled to vote is required for this authorization. Once this shareholders' approval is obtained, unless previously revoked or varied by the company in general meeting, it continues in force until the conclusion of the next annual general meeting or the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting after that date is required by law to be held, whichever is earlier; but any approval may be revoked or varied by the company in general meeting. Notwithstanding this general authorization to allot and issue our ordinary shares, WAVE will be required to seek shareholder approval with respect to future

**Shareholder Approval of Business Combinations**

Generally, under the Delaware General Corporation Law, completion of a merger, consolidation, or the sale, lease or exchange of substantially all of a corporation's assets or dissolution requires approval by the board of directors and by a majority (unless the certificate of incorporation requires a higher percentage) of outstanding stock of the corporation entitled to vote.

The Delaware General Corporation Law also requires a special vote of stockholders in connection with a business combination with an "interested stockholder" as defined in section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law. See "—Interested Shareholders" above.

**Shareholder Action Without A Meeting**

Under the Delaware General Corporation Law, unless otherwise provided in a corporation's certificate of incorporation, any action that may be taken at a meeting of stockholders may be taken without a meeting, without prior notice and without a vote if the holders of outstanding stock, having not less than the minimum number of votes that would be necessary to authorize such action, consent in writing. It is not uncommon for a corporation's certificate of incorporation to prohibit such action.

issuances of ordinary shares, where required under the NASDAQ Stock Market rules, such as if we were to propose an issuance of ordinary shares that would result in a change in control of WAVE or in connection with a transaction involving the issuance of ordinary shares representing 20% or more of our outstanding ordinary shares.

The Singapore Companies Act mandates that specified corporate actions require approval by the shareholders in a general meeting, notably:

- notwithstanding anything in the company's constitution, directors are not permitted to carry into effect any proposals for disposing of the whole or substantially the whole of the company's undertaking or property unless those proposals have been approved by shareholders in a general meeting;
- the company may by special resolution resolve that it be wound up voluntarily;
- subject to the constitution of each amalgamating company, an amalgamation proposal must be approved by the shareholders of each amalgamating company via special resolution at a general meeting;
- a compromise or arrangement proposed between a company and its shareholders, or any class of them, must, among other things, be approved by a majority in number representing three-fourths in value of the shareholders or class of shareholders present and voting either in person or by proxy at the meeting ordered by the court; and
- notwithstanding anything in the company's constitution, the directors may not, without the prior approval of shareholders, issue shares, including shares being issued in connection with corporate actions.

There are no equivalent provisions under the Singapore Companies Act in respect of public companies which are listed on a securities exchange, like our company.

Under the Delaware General Corporation Law, a stockholder may bring a derivative action on behalf of the corporation to enforce the rights of the corporation. An individual also may commence a class action suit on behalf of himself or herself and other similarly situated stockholders where the requirements for maintaining a class action under the Delaware General Corporation Law have been met. A person may institute and maintain such a suit only if such person was a stockholder at the time of the transaction which is the subject of the suit or his or her shares thereafter devolved upon him or her by operation of law. Additionally, under Delaware case law, the plaintiff generally must be a stockholder not only at the time of the transaction which is the subject of the suit, but also through the duration of the derivative suit. The Delaware General Corporation Law also requires that the derivative plaintiff make a demand on the directors of the corporation to assert the corporate claim before the suit may be prosecuted by the derivative plaintiff, unless such demand would be futile.

### *Standing*

Only registered shareholders of our company reflected in our register of members are recognized under Singapore law as shareholders of our company. As a result, only registered shareholders have legal standing to institute shareholder actions against us or otherwise seek to enforce their rights as shareholders. Holders of book-entry interests in our shares will be required to exchange their book-entry interests for certificated shares and to be registered as shareholders in our shareholder register in order to institute or enforce any legal proceedings or claims against us, our directors or our executive officers relating to shareholder rights. A holder of book-entry interests may become a registered shareholder of our company by exchanging its interest in our shares for certificated shares and being registered in our shareholder register.

### *Personal remedies in cases of oppression or injustice*

A shareholder may apply to the court for an order under Section 216 of the Singapore Companies Act to remedy situations where (i) the company's affairs are being conducted or the powers of the company's directors are being exercised in a manner oppressive to, or in disregard of the interests of one or more of the shareholders or holders of debentures of the company, including the applicant; or (ii) the company has done an act, or threatens to do an act, or the shareholders or holders of debentures have passed some resolution, which unfairly discriminates against, or is otherwise prejudicial to, one or more of the company's shareholders or holders of debentures, including the applicant.

Singapore courts have wide discretion as to the relief they may grant under such application, including, *inter alia*, directing or prohibiting any act or cancelling or varying any transaction or resolution, providing that the company be wound up, or authorizing civil proceedings to be brought in the name of or on behalf of the company by such person or persons and on such terms as the court directs.

### *Derivative actions and arbitrations*

The Singapore Companies Act has a provision which provides a mechanism enabling shareholders to apply to the court for leave to bring a derivative action or commence an arbitration on behalf of the company. Derivative actions are also allowed as a common law action.

The Delaware General Corporation Law permits a corporation to declare and pay dividends out of statutory surplus or, if there is no surplus, out of net profits for the fiscal year in which the dividend is declared and/or for the preceding fiscal year as long as the amount of capital of the corporation following the declaration and payment of the dividend is not less than the aggregate amount of the capital represented by the issued and outstanding stock of all classes having a preference upon the distribution of assets.

Under the Delaware General Corporation Law, any corporation may purchase or redeem its own shares, except that generally it may not purchase or redeem these shares if the capital of the corporation is impaired at the time or would become impaired as a result of the redemption. A corporation may, however, purchase or redeem out of capital shares that are entitled upon any distribution of its assets to a preference over another class or series of its shares if the shares are to be retired and the capital reduced.

**Distributions and Dividends; Repurchases and Redemptions**

Applications are generally made by shareholders of the company, but courts are given the discretion to allow such persons as they deem proper to apply (e.g., beneficial owner of shares).

It should be noted that this provision of the Singapore Companies Act is primarily used by minority shareholders to bring an action or arbitration in the name and on behalf of the company or intervene in an action or arbitration to which the company is a party for the purpose of prosecuting, defending or discontinuing the action or arbitration on behalf of the company. Prior to commencing a derivative action or arbitration, the court must be satisfied that (i) 14 days' notice has been given to the directors of the company of the party's intention to commence such action or arbitration if the directors of the company do not bring, diligently prosecute or defend or discontinue the action, (ii) the party is acting in good faith and (iii) it appears to be prima facie in the interests of the company that the action be brought, prosecuted, defended or discontinued.

*Class actions*

The concept of class action suits in the United States, which allows individual shareholders to bring an action seeking to represent the class or classes of shareholders, does not exist in the same manner in Singapore. In Singapore, it is possible as a matter of procedure for a number of shareholders to begin proceedings on behalf of themselves and other shareholders who have the same interest whom they represent. These shareholders are known as "representative plaintiffs."

The Singapore Companies Act provides that no dividends can be paid to shareholders except out of profits.

The Singapore Companies Act does not provide a definition on when profits are deemed to be available for the purpose of paying dividends and this is accordingly governed by case law.

Our constitution provides that no dividend can be paid otherwise than out of profits.

*Acquisition of a company's own shares*

The Singapore Companies Act generally prohibits a company from acquiring its own shares or purporting to acquire the shares of its holding company or ultimate holding company, whether directly or indirectly, in any way, subject to certain exceptions. Any contract or

transaction made or entered into in contravention of the aforementioned prohibition by which a company acquires or purports to acquire its own shares or shares in its holding company or ultimate holding company is void. However, provided that it is expressly permitted to do so by its constitution and subject to the special conditions of each permitted acquisition contained in the Singapore Companies Act, a company may:

- redeem redeemable preferred shares on such terms and in such manner as is provided by its constitution. Preferred shares may be redeemed out of capital only if all the directors make a solvency statement in relation to such redemption in accordance with the Singapore Companies Act, and the company lodges a copy of the statement with the Registrar of Companies;
- whether listed on an exchange in Singapore approved by the Monetary Authority of Singapore or any securities exchange outside Singapore, or not, make an off-market purchase of its own shares in accordance with an equal access scheme authorized in advance at a general meeting;
- make a selective off-market purchase of its own shares in accordance with an agreement authorized in advance at a general meeting by a special resolution where persons whose shares are to be acquired and their associated persons have abstained from voting; and
- whether listed on an exchange in Singapore approved by the Monetary Authority of Singapore or any securities exchange outside Singapore, or not, make an acquisition of its own shares under a contingent purchase contract which has been authorized in advance at a general meeting by a special resolution.

A company may also purchase its own shares by an order of a Singapore court.

- The total number of ordinary shares, stocks in any class and non-redeemable preferred shares that may be acquired by a company in a relevant period may not exceed 20% (or such other prescribed percentage) of the total number of ordinary shares, stocks in any class or non-redeemable preferred shares (as the case may be) as of the date of the resolution to acquire the shares. Where, however, a company has reduced its share capital by a special resolution or a Singapore court made an order to such

effect, the total number of ordinary shares, stocks in any class or non-redeemable preferred shares shall be taken to be the total number of ordinary shares, stocks in any class or non-redeemable preferred shares (as the case may be) as altered by the special resolution or the order of the court. Payment, including any expenses (including brokerage or commission) incurred directly in the acquisition by the company of its own shares, may be made out of the company's profits or capital, provided that the company is solvent.

*Financial assistance for the acquisition of shares*

A public company or a company whose holding company or ultimate holding company is a public company may not give financial assistance to any person whether directly or indirectly for the purpose of or in connection with:

- the acquisition or proposed acquisition of shares in the company or units of such shares; or
- the acquisition or proposed acquisition of shares in its holding company or ultimate holding company, or units of such shares.

Financial assistance may take the form of a loan, the giving of a guarantee, the provision of security, the release of an obligation, the release of a debt or otherwise.

However, it should be noted that a company may provide financial assistance for the acquisition of its shares or shares in its holding company or ultimate holding company if it complies with the requirements (including approval by special resolution) set out in the Singapore Companies Act.

Our constitution provides that subject to the provisions of the Singapore Companies Act, we may purchase or otherwise acquire our own shares upon such terms and subject to such conditions as we may deem fit. We may deal with any such shares which is so purchased or acquired by us in such manner as may be permitted under the Singapore Companies Act (including, without limitation, hold such shares as treasury shares).

**Transactions with Officers or Directors**

Under the Delaware General Corporation Law, some contracts or transactions in which one or more of a corporation's directors has an interest are not void or voidable because of such interest provided that some

Under the Singapore Companies Act, directors and the chief executive officer of the company are not prohibited from dealing with the company, but where they have an interest, whether directly or indirectly, in

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conditions, such as obtaining the required approval and fulfilling the requirements of good faith and full disclosure, are met. Under the Delaware General Corporation Law, either (a) the stockholders or the board of directors of a corporation must approve in good faith any such contract or transaction after full disclosure of the material facts or (b) the contract or transaction must have been “fair” as to the corporation at the time it was approved. If board approval is sought, the contract or transaction must be approved in good faith by a majority of disinterested directors after full disclosure of material facts, even though less than a majority of a quorum.

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a transaction with the company, that interest must be disclosed to the board of directors. In particular, every director or chief executive officer who is in any way, whether directly or indirectly, interested in a transaction or proposed transaction with the company must, as soon as is practicable after the relevant facts have come to such director’s or, as the case may be, the chief executive officer’s knowledge, declare the nature of such interest at a meeting of the directors or send a written notice to the company detailing the nature, character and extent of the interest.

In addition, a director or chief executive officer who holds any office or possesses any property which directly or indirectly might create interests in conflict with such director’s or, as the case may be, the chief executive officer’s duties as director or chief executive officer is required to declare the fact and the nature, character and extent of the conflict at a meeting of directors or send a written notice to the company detailing the nature, character and extent of the conflict.

The Singapore Companies Act extends the scope of this statutory duty of a director and chief executive officer to disclose any interests by pronouncing that an interest of a member of a director’s or, as the case may be, the chief executive officer’s family (including spouse, son, adopted son, step-son, daughter, adopted daughter and step-daughter) will be treated as an interest of the director or chief executive officer (as the case may be).

A director or chief executive officer shall not be deemed to be interested or at any time interested in a transaction or proposed transaction where the interest of the director or chief executive officer (as the case may be) consists only of being a member or creditor of a corporation which is interested in the transaction or proposed transaction with the company if the interest may properly be regarded as immaterial. Where the transaction or the proposed transaction relates to any loan to the company, no disclosure need be made where the director or chief executive officer (as the case may be) has only guaranteed the repayment of such loan, unless the constitution provides otherwise.

Further, where the transaction or the proposed transaction has been or will be made with or for the benefit of a related corporation (i.e., the holding company, subsidiary or subsidiary of a common holding company), the director or chief executive officer shall not be deemed to be interested or at any time interested in such transaction or proposed transaction by virtue of only being a director or chief executive officer (as the case may be) of the related corporation, unless the constitution provides otherwise.



Subject to specified exceptions, the Singapore Companies Act prohibits a company (other than an exempt private company) from, among others, (i) making a loan or a quasi-loan to its directors or to directors of a related corporation, or giving a guarantee or security in connection with such a loan or quasi-loan, (ii) entering into a credit transaction as creditor for the benefit of its directors or the directors of a related corporation, or giving a guarantee or any security in connection with such a credit transaction, (iii) arranging an assignment to or assumption by us of any rights, obligations or liabilities under a transaction which, if it had been entered into by us, would have been a restricted transaction, and (iv) taking part in an arrangement under which another person enters into a transaction which, if entered into by us, would have been a restricted transaction and such person obtains a benefit from us or our related corporation pursuant thereto. Companies are also prohibited from entering into any of these transactions with the spouse or children (whether adopted or natural or step-children) of its directors.

Subject to specified exceptions, the Singapore Companies Act prohibits a company (other than an exempt private company) from making a loan or a quasi-loan to another company or a limited liability partnership or entering into any guarantee or providing any security in connection with a loan or a quasi-loan made to another company or a limited liability partnership by a person other than the first-mentioned company, entering into a credit transaction as a creditor for the benefit of another company or a limited liability partnership, or entering into any guarantee or provide any security in connection with a credit transaction entered into by any person for the benefit of another company or a limited liability partnership if a director or directors of the first-mentioned company is or together are interested in 20% or more of the total voting power in the other company or the limited liability partnership (as the case may be).

Such prohibition shall extend to apply to a loan, quasi-loan, credit transaction made by a company (other than an exempt private company), a credit transaction made by a company (other than an exempt private company) for the benefit of another company or limited liability partnership and a guarantee or security provided by a company (other than an exempt private company) in connection with a loan or quasi-loan made by a person other than the first-mentioned company to another company or a limited liability partnership where such other company or limited liability partnership is incorporated or formed (as the case may be) outside Singapore, if a director or directors of the first-mentioned company (a) is or together are interested in

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**Dissenters' Rights**

Under the Delaware General Corporation Law, a stockholder of a corporation participating in some types of major corporate transactions may, under varying circumstances, be entitled to appraisal rights pursuant to which the stockholder may receive cash in the amount of the fair market value of his or her shares in lieu of the consideration he or she would otherwise receive in the transaction.

**Cumulative Voting**

Under the Delaware General Corporation Law, a corporation may adopt in its bylaws that its directors shall be elected by cumulative voting. When directors are elected by cumulative voting, a stockholder has the number of votes equal to the number of shares held by such stockholder times the number of directors nominated for election. The stockholder may cast all of such votes for one director or among the directors in any proportion.

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20% or more of the total voting power in the other company or limited liability partnership or (b) in a case where the other company does not have a share capital, exercises or together exercise control over the other company whether by reason of having the power to appoint directors or otherwise.

The Singapore Companies Act also provides that an interest of a member of a director's family (including spouse, son, adopted son, step-son, daughter, adopted daughter and step-daughter) will be treated as an interest of the director.

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