Chinese Cross Border Life Sciences Strategic Transactions in the Age of COVID-19



Increasingly in China over the past decade, corporations in the pharmaceutical, biotechnology and medical device sectors have supplemented their own internal research and development and business development efforts by participating in the equity funding of start-up and early stage Chinese as well as other Asian, U.S. and European companies which have over time been able to provide the corporation's business with potential strategic and sometimes even financial gain. In recent years, regulations in both China and abroad relating to currency controls, foreign investments into sensitive industries and other factors have complicated this strategy, but it has continued to be an important means by which innovation in the sector is advanced in China and more broadly throughout Asia and the world.

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The COVID-19 pandemic is continuing to cause major global disruption to the activities of development stage and other life sciences companies due to, among other factors, limited or no access to clinical trial sites, reduced supply levels for active pharmaceutical ingredients or other key materials needed to make drug candidates or medical devices, and the inability of personnel to access laboratory and other specialized work spaces.

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