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Biostime International Holdings Limited 合生元國際控股有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock Code : 1112)

Announcement

Election of Language and Means of Receipt of Corporate Communications

The Company is making arrangements to ascertain the Shareholders' preferences with respect to the choice of language and means of receipt of future Corporate Communications in accordance with Rule 2.07A and Rule 2.07B of the Listing Rules.

INTRODUCTION

In order to save mailing and printing costs and for the protection of the environment, the Company, pursuant to the applicable laws and regulations and the Company's articles of association, is making the arrangements described below to ascertain the Shareholders' preference as to receiving future Corporate Communications of the Company: (i) in both Chinese and English in printed form; (ii) in English in printed form only; (iii) in Chinese in printed form only; or (iv) in both Chinese and English by means of the Company's website at <u>www.biostime.com.cn</u> in lieu of receiving printed copies and receiving a notification letter of the publication of the Corporate Communications on the Company's website. The Company recommends that the Shareholders take advantage of these new options for their own convenience.

Proposed Arrangements

In accordance with Rule 2.07A and note (8) of Rule 2.07B(2) of the Listing Rules, the following arrangements have been be made by the Company:

1. The Company sent a letter on 25 February 2011 (the "**First Letter**") together with a reply form (the "**Reply Form**"), prepared in English and

Chinese, which includes a pre-paid mailing label (applicable for posting within Hong Kong only) to the Shareholders to enable them to select to receive future Corporate Communications: (i) in both Chinese and English in printed form; (ii) in English in printed form only; (iii) in Chinese in printed form only; or (iv) in both Chinese and English by means of the Company's website at <u>www.biostime.com.cn</u> in lieu of receiving printed copies and receiving a notification letter of the publication of the Corporate Communications on the Company's website.

2. The First Letter explains that if no reply is received from a Shareholder by 25 March 2011, such Shareholder is deemed to have consented to receiving by electronic means through the Company's website in lieu of receiving printed copies and only a notification letter of the publication of the Corporate Communications on the Company's website will be sent to such Shareholder in the future.

Shareholders are entitled at any time by reasonable notice in writing (Address: 17M Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong) or by email (Email address: biostime.ecom@computershare.com.hk) to the Company c/o the Share Registrar to change their choice of language and means of receipt of Corporate Communications.

- 3. With respect to the Shareholders who choose to receive Corporate Communications in printed form, the Company will send the selected language version of such Corporate Communications to those Shareholders who have made a selection unless and until they notify the Share Registrar in writing or by email that they wish to receive Corporate Communications in the other (or both) language(s), or by electronic means through the Company's website.
- 4. When each printed Corporate Communications is sent out in accordance with the arrangements described in paragraphs 1 and 2 above, a letter (the "Second Letter") and a change request form (the "Change Request Form"), prepared in English and Chinese, will be attached to or printed at some prominent place in the sent out versions of such Corporate Communications, together with a pre-paid mailing label (applicable for posting within Hong Kong only), specifying that the Corporate Communications prepared in the other language will be available upon request, and that Shareholders may change their language choice and means of receipt of subsequent Corporate Communications by completing the Change Request Form and returning it to the Share Registrar.
- 5. All Corporate Communications in both English and Chinese, and in accessible format, will be available on the Company's website at <u>www.biostime.com.cn</u>. Both languages of each Corporate Communications will be filed with the Hong Kong Stock Exchange in electronic format on the same day as such Corporate Communications is

despatched to the Shareholders, or on such other day as required by the Hong Kong Stock Exchange or pursuant to the Listing Rules.

- 6. The Company's Share Registrar is providing a dial-up hotline service (Tel: (852) 2862 8688) during business hours (9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, excluding public holidays) to enable the Shareholders to make enquiry of the Company's proposed arrangements set out above.
- 7. The First Letter and the Second Letter will mention that both languages of each Corporate Communications will be available on the Company's website and that the dial-up hotline service has been provided, as respectively mentioned in paragraphs 5 and 6 above.

DEFINITIONS

In this announcement, the following expressions have the meanings set out below, unless the context requires otherwise:

"Company"	Biostime International Holdings Limited (合生元國際 控股有限公司), incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability and shares of which are listed on the main board of Hong Kong Stock Exchange;
"Corporate Communications"	any documents issued or to be issued by the Company for the information or action of holders of any of the Company's securities as defined in the definition stated in Rule 1.01 of the Listing Rules, including but not limited to:
	(a) the directors' report, its annual accounts together with a copy of the auditors' report and, where applicable, its summary financial report;
	(b) the interim report and, where applicable, summary interim report;
	(c) a notice of meeting;
	(d) a listing document;
	(e) a circular; and
	(f) a proxy form;
"Share Registrar"	Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, 17M Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East,

Wanchai, Hong Kong;

"Shareholders"	holders of the shares of the Company;
"Hong Kong Stock Exchange"	The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited; and
"Listing Rules"	the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

By order of the board of directors Biostime International Holdings Limited Luo Fei Chairman

Hong Kong

25 February 2011

As at the date of this announcement, the executive Directors are Mr. Luo Fei, Dr. Zhang Wenhui, Ms.Kong Qingjuan; the non-executive Directors are Mr. Wu Xiong, Mr. Luo Yun, Mr. Chen Fufang; and the independent non-executive Directors are Mr. Ngai Wai Fung, Mr. Tan Wee Seng and Professor Xiao Baichun.