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Washington, D.C. 20549

#### **AMENDMENT NO.** 3

TO

#### FORM S-1

# REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

### APEX BIOVENTURES ACQUISITION CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 6770 20-4997725

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

(Primary Standard Industrial Classification Code Number)

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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public: As soon as practicable after the effective date of this registration statement.

If any of the securities being registered on this Form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933 check the following box.  $\circ$ 

If this Form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, please check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering."

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If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(d) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

The registrant hereby amends this registration statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this registration statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 or until the registration statement shall become effective on such date as the Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.

# CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of Each Class of Security Being Registered	Amount Being Registered	Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Security(1)		Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price(1)		Amount of Registration Fee	
Units, each consisting of one share of Common Stock, \$0.0001 par value, and one Warrant(2)	8,625,000 Units	\$	8.00	\$ 69,000,000	\$	2,118.30	
Shares of Common Stock included as part of the Units (2)	8,625,000 Shares			, ,		(3)	
Warrants included as part of the Units(2)	8,625,000 Warrants					(3)	
Shares of Common Stock underlying the Underwriter s Unit Purchase Option ( Underwriters Units )(4)	8,625,000 Shares	\$	6.00	\$ 51,750,000	\$	1,588.73	
Underwriters Unit Purchase Option Units underlying the Underwriter s Unit Purchase Option ( Underwriter s	1	\$	100.00	\$ 100	\$	(3)	
Units )(4) Shares of Common Stock included as part of	450,000 Units	\$	10.00	\$ 4,500,000	\$	138.15	
the Underwriters Units(4)	450,000 Shares					(3)	
Warrants included as part of the Underwriters Units(4)	450,000 Warrants					(3)	
Shares of Common Stock underlying the Warrants included in the							
Underwriters Units	450,000 Shares	\$	6.00	\$ 2,700,000	\$	82.89	
Total				\$ 127,950,100	\$	3,928.07 (5)	

(1)

Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee.

(2)

Includes 1,125,000 Units and 1,125,000 Shares of Common Stock and 1,125,000 Warrants underlying such Units which may be issued on exercise of a 45-day option granted to the Underwriter to cover over-allotments, if any.

(3)

No fee pursuant to Rule 457(g).

(4)

Pursuant to Rule 416, there are also being registered such indeterminable additional securities as may be issued as a result of the anti-dilution provisions contained in the Warrants included in the Units and the Warrants included in the Underwriter s Units.

(5)

A registration fee of \$17,113.32 was paid upon the filing of the registrant s Registration Statement on Form S-1 (Registration Statement No. 333-135755).

The registrant hereby amends this registration statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this registration statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 or until the registration statement shall become effective on such date as the Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.

The information in this prospectus is not complete and may be changed. We may not sell these securities until the registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is effective. This prospectus is not an offer to sell these securities and it is not soliciting an offer to buy these securities in any state where the offer or sale is not permitted.

**PROSPECTUS** 

**Subject To Completion, Dated** May 23, 2007

\$60,000,000

#### APEX BIOVENTURES ACQUISITION CORPORATION

#### 7,500,000 Units

Apex Bioventures Acquisition Corporation is a newly organized blank check company formed for the purpose of acquiring, through a merger, capital stock exchange, asset acquisition, stock purchase or other similar business combination, one or more domestic or foreign operating businesses in the healthcare industry. We do not have any specific merger, capital stock exchange, asset acquisition, stock purchase or other similar business combination under consideration and we have not, nor has anyone on our behalf, directly or indirectly, contacted any prospective target business or had any discussions, formal or otherwise, with respect to such a transaction.

This is an initial public offering of our securities. Each unit has an offering price of \$8.00 and consists of:

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one share of our common stock; and
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one warrant.
We are offering 7,500,000 units. We expect that the public offering price will be \$8.00 per unit. Each warrant entitles the holder to purchase one share of our common stock at a price of \$6.00. Each warrant will become exercisable on the later of our completion of a business combination or [], 2008 [one year from the date of this prospectus], and will expire on [], 2011 [four years from the date of this prospectus] or earlier upon redemption.

Our officers, directors and existing stockholders have agreed to purchase 1,800,000 warrants from us, at a purchase price of \$1.00 per warrant, in a private placement that will occur immediately prior to this offering. All such warrants will be identical to the warrants sold in this offering, except that such warrants will be non-redeemable and can be exercised on a cashless basis as long as these persons hold such warrants. In addition, subject to certain limited exceptions, none of the warrants to be purchased by our officers, directors and existing stockholders will be transferable or salable until six months after the consummation of a business combination.

We have granted the underwriters a 45-day option to purchase up to 1,125,000 additional units to cover over-allotments, if any. We have also agreed to sell to the underwriters, for \$100, as additional compensation, an option to purchase up to a total of 450,000 units at a price of \$10.00 per unit. The option can be exercised on a cashless basis commencing on the 90<sup>th</sup> day following the consummation of a business combination. We may call the option for redemption, for \$100, if the volume weighted average price of our common stock equals or exceeds \$11.50 per share for any 20 trading days within any 30 trading day period ending three business days before we send the notice of redemption. The units issuable upon exercise of this option are identical to those offered by this prospectus. The purchase option and its underlying securities have been registered under the registration statement of which this

prospectus forms a part.

There is presently no public market for our units, common stock or warrants. We anticipate that the units will be
traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbol [] and will begin trading on or promptly after the date
of this prospectus. The common stock and warrants comprising the units will begin separate trading as promptly as
practicable after the earlier to occur of the expiration or termination of the underwriters option to purchase up to
1,125,000 additional units to cover over-allotments or the exercise in full by the underwriters of such option, subject
in either case to our filing a Current Report on Form 8-K with the Securities and Exchange Commission, containing
an audited balance sheet reflecting our receipt of the gross proceeds of this offering and issuing a press release
announcing when such separate trading will begin. Once the securities comprising the units begin separate trading, the
common stock and warrants will be traded on the American Stock Exchange under the symbols [] and [],
respectively. We cannot assure you that our securities will be or continue to be listed on the American Stock
Exchange.

Investing in our securities involves a high degree of risk. See Risk Factors beginning on page 12 of this prospectus for a discussion of information that should be considered in connection with an investment in our securities.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

	Pe	r Unit	To	tal Proceeds
Public offering price	\$	8.00	\$	60,000,000
Underwriting discounts and commissions(1)(2)		0.56		4,200,000
Total	\$	7.44	\$	55,800,000

(1)

Includes \$0.24 per unit, or \$1,800,000 (\$2,070,000 if the underwriters—over-allotment option is exercised in full), payable to the underwriters for deferred underwriting discounts and commissions from the funds to be placed in a trust account at J.P. Morgan Chase N.A., to be maintained by Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company, acting as trustee, and invested by Morgan Stanley. Such funds will be released to the underwriters only upon completion of an initial business combination as described in this prospectus.

(2)

No discount or commissions are payable with respect to the warrants purchased in the private placement.

Of the net proceeds after expenses we receive from this offering and the private placement, approximately \$7.82 per unit, or \$58,690,000 (\$67,330,000 if the underwriters over-allotment option is exercised in full), will be deposited into a trust account at J.P. Morgan Chase N.A., maintained by Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company, acting as trustee, and invested by Morgan Stanley. This amount includes the deferred underwriting discounts and commissions of \$1,800,000 and the \$1,800,000 of net proceeds from the private placement in which our officers, directors and existing stockholders purchased 1,800,000 founder warrants.

We are offering the units for sale on a firm-commitment basis. The underwriters expect to deliver the units to investors in the offering on or about [\_\_\_\_], 2007.

The date of this prospectus is [\_\_\_\_\_], 2007

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You should rely only on the information contained in this prospectus. We have not authorized anyone to provide you with different information. We are not making an offer of these securities in any state where the offer is not permitted. You should not assume that the information contained in this prospectus is accurate as of any date other than the date on the front of this prospectus.

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Until [\_\_\_\_\_\_], 2007 (\_\_ days after the date of this prospectus), all dealers that buy, sell or trade our securities, whether or not participating in this offering, may be required to deliver a prospectus. This is in addition to the dealers obligation to deliver a prospectus when acting as underwriters and with respect to their unsold allotments or subscriptions.

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#### PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

This summary highlights certain information appearing elsewhere in this prospectus. As this is a summary, it does not contain all of the information that you should consider in making an investment decision. You should read the entire prospectus carefully, including the information under Risk Factors and our financial statements and the related notes included in this prospectus, before investing. Unless otherwise stated in this prospectus:

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references to we, us or our company refer to Apex Bioventures Acquisition Corporation;

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the term existing stockholders refers to the persons that held shares of our common stock immediately prior to the date of this offering and the private placement;

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the term public stockholders means the holders of common stock sold as part of the units in this offering or in the aftermarket, including any existing stockholders, to the extent that they purchase or acquire such units in this offering or in the aftermarket:

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the term private placement refers to the purchase by our existing stockholders in a private placement that will occur immediately prior to this offering, of an aggregate of 1,800,000 warrants, at a purchase price of \$1.00 per warrant to purchase an aggregate of 1,800,000 shares of our common stock;

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the term founder warrants refers to the warrants to purchase an aggregate of 1,800,000 shares of our common stock being purchased by our officers, directors and existing stockholders in the private placement.

Except as otherwise specified, all information in this prospectus and all per share information has been adjusted to reflect a 1 for 1.086956522 reverse stock split of our outstanding common stock that was effected on April 5, 2007. In addition, unless we tell you otherwise, the information in this prospectus assumes that the underwriters will not exercise their over-allotment option.

#### **Our Business**

We were formed on June 1, 2006 as a blank check company for the purpose of acquiring through a merger, capital stock exchange, asset acquisition, stock purchase or other similar business combination, one or more domestic or foreign operating businesses in the healthcare industry. To date, our efforts have been limited to organizational activities and do not have any specific merger, capital stock exchange, asset acquisition, stock purchase or other business combination transaction under consideration and neither we nor any representative acting on our behalf has had any contacts or discussions with any target business with respect to such a transaction. We intend to utilize cash derived from the proceeds of this offering, our capital stock, debt or a combination of cash, capital stock and debt, to effect a business combination.

While we may seek to effect business combinations with more than one target business, our initial business combination must be with a target business or businesses whose collective fair market value is equal to at least 80% of

our net assets (excluding deferred underwriting discounts and commissions of approximately \$1,800,000, or \$2,070,000 if the over-allotment option is exercised in full) at the time of such acquisition. The fair market value of a target business will be determined by our board of directors based upon standards generally accepted by the financial community, such as actual and potential sales, earnings and cash flow and book value and the fair market value of comparable businesses. If our board is not able to independently determine that the target business has a sufficient fair market value (for example, if the financial analysis is too complicated for our board of directors to perform on their own), we will obtain an opinion from an unaffiliated, independent investment banking firm which is a member of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. with respect to the satisfaction of such criteria. As used in this prospectus, a target business shall include one or more domestic or foreign operating businesses in the healthcare industry, and a business combination shall mean the acquisition by us of such a target business, through a merger, capital stock exchange, asset acquisition, stock purchase or other similar business combination.

We have not, nor has anyone on our behalf, either directly or indirectly, contacted any potential target businesses or their representatives or had any discussions, formal or otherwise, with respect to effecting any potential business combination with our company. Moreover, we have not engaged or retained any agent or other representative to identify or locate any suitable acquisition candidate for us. Our management team is aware of the restrictions that apply to the identification of, and negotiations and agreements with, prospective target businesses and the disclosure required when there is an agreement pertaining to an acquisition or an acquisition is probable.

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Following completion of this offering and until we consummate a business combination, our officers and directors will not receive any compensation other than reimbursement for out-of-pocket expenses incurred by them on our behalf in connection with identifying potential target businesses and performing due diligence. However, Apex Bioventures, LLC, a company controlled by K. Michael Forrest, our President and Chief Operating Officer and one of our directors, may receive payments for providing office space and related services. All transactions between us and Apex Bioventures, LLC or any other affiliate of our officers, directors or existing stockholders will be on terms believed by us to be no less favorable than are available from unaffiliated third parties and such transactions will require prior approval in each instance by a majority of our disinterested independent directors, or if there are no disinterested independent directors, the members of our board who do not have an interest in the transactions. In addition, any or all of our officers and directors may be paid consulting, management, director or other fees from target businesses as a result of the business combination, with any and all amounts being fully disclosed to stockholders, to the extent then known, in the proxy solicitation materials furnished to our stockholders.

Our offices are located at 18 Farm Lane, Hillsborough, California 94010, and our telephone number is 650-344-3029.

#### **Private Placement**

Our officers, directors and existing stockholders have agreed to purchase from us an aggregate of 1,800,000 founder warrants, at a purchase price of \$1.00 per warrant in a private placement that will occur immediately prior to this offering. All such founder warrants will be identical to the warrants offered in this offering, except that the founder warrants will be non-redeemable and can be exercised on a cashless basis as long as our officers, directors and existing stockholders (or the permitted transferees described below) hold such warrants. Exercising warrants on a cashless basis means that in lieu of paying the aggregate exercise price for the shares of common stock being purchased upon exercise of the founder warrants in cash, the holder will forfeit a number of shares underlying the founder warrants with a market value equal to such aggregate exercise price. Accordingly, we would not receive additional proceeds to the extent the founder warrants are exercised on a cashless basis. Warrants included in the units sold in this offering are not exercisable on a cashless basis and the exercise price, if any, with respect to those warrants will be paid directly to us.

In addition, none of the founder warrants are transferable or salable until six months after the consummation of a business combination, except that a purchaser of founder warrants that is an entity may transfer the founder warrants to persons or entities that are controlling, controlled by, or under common control with such entity, or to any stockholder, member, partner or limited partner of such entity, and a purchaser of founder warrants that is an individual may transfer founder warrants to family members and trusts for estate planning purposes, or, upon death, to an estate of beneficiaries. The purchase price of these founder warrants will be added to the proceeds from this offering to be held in the trust account pending the consummation of our initial business combination.

#### THE OFFERING

Securities offered: 7,500,000 units, at \$8.00 per unit, each unit consisting of:

one share of common stock; and

one warrant.

Trading commencement and separation of common stock and warrants:

The units will begin trading on or promptly after the date of this prospectus. Each of the common stock and warrants will begin separate trading as promptly as practicable after the earlier to occur of the expiration or termination of the underwriters option to purchase up to 1,125,000 additional units to cover over-allotments or the exercise in full by the underwriters of such option, subject in either case to our having filed the Form 8-K described below and having issued a press release announcing when such separate trading will begin.

In no event will separate trading of the common stock and warrants occur until we have filed an audited balance sheet reflecting our receipt of the gross proceeds of this offering. We will file a Current Report on Form 8-K, including an audited balance sheet, upon the consummation of this offering, which is anticipated to take place three business days from the date of this prospectus. The audited balance sheet will include proceeds we receive from the exercise of the over-allotment option if the over-allotment option is exercised prior to the filing of the Current Report on Form 8-K. If the over-allotment option is exercised following the initial filing of such Form 8-K, an additional Current Report on Form 8-K will be filed to provide updated financial information to reflect the exercise of the over-allotment option.

#### Common stock:

Number outstanding before this offering and the private placement: 1,875,000 shares(1)

Number to be outstanding after this offering and the private placement: 9,375,000 shares(1)

Warrants:

Number outstanding before the date of this prospectus:

Number to be outstanding after this offering and the private placement:

1,800,000 warrants

9,300,000 warrants

Exercisability:	Each warrant is exercisable for one share of our common stock
Exercise price:	\$6.00
Exercise period for the warrants included in the units sold in this offering:	The warrants will become exercisable on the later of:
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	the consummation of a business combination; and
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	[], 2008 [one year from the date of this prospectus].
	All warrants will expire at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on [], 2011 [four years from the date of this prospectus], or earlier upon redemption or upon our dissolution.
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	shares of common stock by our existing stockholders to the extent the ercised so that our existing stockholders will own 20% of the issued and Principal Stockholders.
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Redemption:

Once the warrants become exercisable, we may redeem the outstanding warrants (including any warrants issued upon exercise of the underwriters unit purchase option):

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in whole and not in part;

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at a price of \$.01 per warrant;

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upon a minimum of 30 days prior written notice of redemption; and

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only if the volume weighted average price of our common stock equals or exceeds \$11.50 per share for any 20 trading days within a 30 trading day period ending three business days before we send the notice of redemption.

In the event that the common stock issuable upon exercise of the warrants has not been registered, qualified or deemed to be exempt under the securities laws of the state of residence of the holder of the warrants, we will not have the right to redeem the warrants. We have established the above conditions to provide warrant holders with a reasonable premium to the initial warrant exercise price as well as a reasonable cushion against a negative market reaction, if any, to our redemption call. If the foregoing conditions are satisfied and we call the warrants for redemption, each warrant holder shall then be entitled to exercise his or her warrant prior to the date scheduled for redemption. However, there can be no assurance that the price of the common stock will exceed the \$11.50 trigger price for redemption or the warrant exercise price after the redemption call is made.

The founder warrants are non-redeemable so long as such warrants are held by our officers, directors and existing stockholders.

Private placement of founder warrants to officers, directors and existing stockholders:

Our officers, directors and existing stockholders have agreed

to purchase from us an aggregate of 1,800,000 founder warrants, at a purchase price of \$1.00 per warrant, in a private placement that will occur immediately prior to this offering. The aggregate proceeds from the private placement will be added to the proceeds from this offering to be held in the trust account pending our completion of a business combination. If we do not complete a business combination that meets the criteria described in this prospectus, then the amount held in the trust account, including the proceeds from the private placement, will become part of the distribution of our assets to our public stockholders upon our dissolution, and the founder warrants will expire worthless.

The founder warrants have terms and provisions that are identical to the warrants included in the units offered pursuant to this prospectus, except that the founder warrants will be non-redeemable and can be exercised on a cashless basis as long as our officers, directors and existing stockholders (or the permitted transferees described below) hold such warrants. Exercising warrants on a cashless basis means that in lieu of paying the aggregate exercise price for the shares of common stock being purchased upon exercise of the founder warrants in cash, the holder will forfeit a number of shares underlying the founder warrants with a market value equal to such aggregate exercise price. Accordingly, we would not receive additional proceeds to the extent the founder warrants are exercised on a cashless basis. Warrants included in the units sold in this offering are not exercisable on a cashless basis and the exercise price, if any, with respect to those warrants will be paid directly to us.

In addition, the founder warrants purchased in the private placement will not be transferable or salable by our officers, directors and existing stockholders until six months after the consummation of a business combination, except that a purchaser of founder warrants that is an entity may transfer the founder warrants to persons or entities that are controlling, controlled by, or under common control with such entity, or to any stockholder, member, partner or limited partner of such entity, and a purchaser of founder warrants that is an individual may transfer founder warrants to family members and trusts for estate planning purposes, or, upon death, to an estate of beneficiaries.

Commencing on the date immediately following consummation of a business combination, the founder warrants and the shares of common stock underlying the founder warrants are entitled to registration rights pursuant to the registration rights agreement to be entered into on or before the date of this prospectus in connection with the private placement.

Proposed American Stock Exchange symbols for our securities:

Units

Common stock

Warrants

Offering and private placement proceeds to be held in the trust account:

\$58,690,000 of the proceeds of this offering and the private placement (or \$67,330,000, if the over-allotment option is exercised in full), or approximately \$7.82 per unit, will be placed in a trust account at J.P. Morgan Chase N.A. maintained by Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company, as trustee, and invested by Morgan Stanley pursuant to an agreement to be signed on the date of this prospectus. These proceeds include the \$1,800,000 in proceeds from the private placement and \$1,800,000 in deferred underwriting discounts and commissions (or \$2,070,000 if the underwriters over-allotment option is exercised in full). We believe that the inclusion in the trust account of the proceeds from the private placement and the deferred underwriting discounts and commissions is a benefit to our stockholders because additional proceeds will be available for distribution to our public stockholders upon our dissolution if we are unable to complete a business combination within the required time period.

These proceeds will not be released until the earlier of (i) the completion of a business combination on the terms described

in this prospectus or (ii) our dissolution and implementation of our plan for the distribution of our assets. Therefore, unless and until a business combination is consummated, the proceeds held in the trust account will not be available for our use for any purpose, including the payment of any expenses related to this offering or expenses which we may incur related to the investigation and selection of a target business or the negotiation of an agreement to effect the business combination, except there can be released to us from the trust account \$1,600,000 of the interest earned, net of taxes payable on such interest, to fund these expenses or our other working capital requirements or to pay for the costs associated with our dissolution and the distribution of our assets if we do not consummate a business combination. With these exceptions, expenses incurred by us while seeking a business combination may be paid prior to a business combination only

from the net proceeds of this offering not held in the trust account (initially, approximately \$50,000 after the payment of the expenses related to this offering).

None of the founder warrants may be exercised until six months after the consummation of a business combination and, thus, after the proceeds of the trust account have been disbursed. Accordingly, after the consummation of a business combination, the proceeds from the exercise of the founder warrants will be paid directly to us and not placed in the trust account.

There will be no fees or other cash payments paid to our existing stockholders or our officers and directors prior to or in connection with a business combination other than:

repayment of an aggregate of \$225,000 of promissory notes payable to K. Michael Forrest, Robert J. Easton and Treasure Road Partners, Ltd., a company controlled by Gary E. Frashier and his wife, Giva H. Frashier;

payment of \$7,500 per month to Apex Bioventures, LLC, a company controlled by K. Michael Forrest, our President and Chief Operating Officer, for office space and related services; and

reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses incurred by them in connection with certain activities on our behalf, such as identifying and investigating possible business targets and business combinations.

There is no limit on the amount of out-of-pocket expenses that could be incurred and there will be no review of the reasonableness of the expenses by anyone other than our board of directors, which may include persons who may seek reimbursement, or a court of competent jurisdiction if such reimbursement is challenged.

Our initial business combination must be with one or more domestic or foreign target businesses that collectively have a fair market value of at least 80% of our net assets (excluding deferred underwriting discounts and commissions of approximately \$1,800,000, or approximately \$2,070,000 if

Limited payments to insiders:

Conditions to consummating our initial business combination:

Stockholders must approve business combination:

the over-allotment option is exercised in full) at the time of such business combination.

We will seek stockholder approval before we effect our initial business combination, even if the nature of the acquisition would not ordinarily require stockholder approval under applicable law. In connection with the stockholder vote on our initial business combination, all of our existing stockholders, including all of our officers and directors, have agreed to vote the shares of common stock then owned by them, including any shares of common stock purchased in or following this offering, either for or against the business combination in accordance with the majority of the shares of common stock voted by our public stockholders other than our existing stockholders, officers and directors. We will proceed with the initial business combination only if the following two conditions are met: (i) a majority of the shares of common stock voted by the stockholders are voted in favor of the business combination and (ii) public stockholders owning less than 30% of the shares sold in this offering vote against the business combination and exercise their conversion rights as described below. Public stockholders who convert their stock into a pro rata share of the trust account retain their warrants. For more

Conversion rights for stockholders voting to reject a business combination:

information, see the section entitled Proposed Business Effecting a Business Combination Opportunity for stockholder approval of a business combination.

Public stockholders voting against a business combination which is approved and consummated will be entitled to convert their stock into a pro rata share of the trust account, before payment of deferred underwriting discounts and commissions and including any interest earned on their pro rata share, net of taxes payable on such interest, and net of interest income (less taxes on such interest) of up to \$1,600,000 of the interest income on the trust account balance accrued and reserved or released to us to fund working capital requirements). Our existing stockholders, including all of our officers and directors, will not be able to convert their shares of common stock owned prior to this offering into a pro rata share of the trust account under these circumstances. For more information, see the section entitled Proposed Business Effecting a Business Combination Conversion rights. Public stockholders who convert their common stock into a pro rata share of the trust account will be paid the conversion price promptly after the consummation of the business combination and will continue to have the right to exercise any warrants they own. The initial conversion price is approximately \$7.82 per share. Since this amount is less than the \$8.00 per unit price in this offering and may be lower than the market price of the common stock on the date of conversion, there may be a disincentive on the part of public stockholders to exercise their conversion rights. Because converting stockholders will receive their proportionate share of the deferred underwriting discounts and commissions and the underwriters will be paid the full amount of their deferred underwriting compensation at the time of the consummation of our initial business combination, we (and therefore, the non-converting stockholders) will bear the financial effect of such payments to both the converting stockholders and the underwriters.

Dissolution and distribution of assets if no business combination:

We will promptly initiate procedures for our dissolution and the distribution of our assets, including the funds held in the trust account, to our public stockholders, if we do not effect a business combination within 18 months after consummation of this offering (or within 24 months after the consummation of this offering if a letter of intent, agreement in principle, or definitive agreement has been executed within 18 months after consummation of this offering and the business

combination related thereto has not been consummated within such 24-month period). Pursuant to our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation, upon the expiration of such time periods, our purpose and powers will be limited to acts and activities relating to dissolving, liquidating and winding up. Our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation also provides that we must comply with Section 281(b) of the Delaware General Corporation Law ( DGCL ). Section 281(b) requires us to adopt a plan for the distribution of our assets that will provide for the payment to our creditors and potential creditors, based on facts known to us at such time, of (i) all existing claims, (ii) all pending claims and (iii) all claims that may be brought against us in the subsequent 10 years. The plan will also provide that after reserving amounts sufficient

to cover our liabilities and obligations and the costs of dissolution and liquidation, we will distribute our remaining assets, including the amounts held in the trust account, solely to our public stockholders. We will seek stockholder approval for our dissolution and plan for the distribution of our assets. Upon the approval by our stockholders of our dissolution and plan for the distribution of our assets, we will liquidate our assets, including the trust account, and after reserving amounts sufficient to cover our liabilities and obligations and the costs of dissolution and liquidation, distribute those assets solely to our public stockholders. However, we cannot assure you that third parties will not seek to recover from the assets distributed to our public stockholders any amounts owed to them by us. Under the DGCL, our stockholders could be liable for any claims against the corporation to the extent of distributions received by them in dissolution. Further, because our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation provides that we distribute our assets in accordance with Section 281(b) rather than Sections 280 and 281(a), any such liability of our stockholders could extend to claims for which an action, suit or proceeding is begun after the third anniversary of our dissolution.

Our existing stockholders, including all of our officers and directors, have waived their rights to participate in any distributions occurring upon our failure to complete a business combination with respect to shares of common stock acquired by them prior to this offering, and have agreed to vote all of their shares in favor of our dissolution and our plan for the distribution of our assets. We estimate that, in the event we liquidate the trust account and distribute those assets to our public stockholders, each public stockholder will receive approximately \$7.82 per share, without taking into account interest earned on the trust account. Our public stockholders may receive less than their proportional share of the trust account if and to the extent that creditors that have claims against us cannot be satisfied by our remaining assets not held in the trust account and attach amounts in the trust account for settlement of their claims. In addition, such holders may be held liable for claims by creditors against us to the extent of distributions received by them in our dissolution. Although we are obligated to seek waivers from all acquisition targets, vendors and service providers to claims to amounts in the trust account, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to obtain any such waiver or that any such waiver will be held valid and enforceable. Our existing stockholders have agreed that they will be personally liable, on a joint and several basis, to cover claims made by such third parties, but

only if, and to the extent, the claims reduce the amounts in the trust account available for payment to our stockholders in the event of a liquidation and the claims are made by a vendor or service provider for services rendered, or products sold, to us or by a prospective acquisition target. However, our existing stockholders will not have any personal liability as to any claimed amounts owed to a third party who executed a waiver (including a prospective acquisition target) or the underwriters.

We expect that all costs associated with implementing our dissolution and plan for the distribution of our assets, including payments to any creditors, will be funded by the proceeds of this offering not held in the trust account, but if we do not have sufficient funds outside of the trust account for those purposes or to

cover our liabilities and obligations, the amount distributed to our public stockholders may be less than \$7.82 per share. We estimate that our total costs and expenses for implementing and completing our dissolution and the distribution of our assets will be in the range of \$50,000 to \$75,000. This amount includes all costs and expenses relating to filing our certificate of dissolution in the State of Delaware, the winding up of our company and the costs of a proxy statement and meeting relating to the approval by our stockholders of our dissolution and plan for the distribution of our assets. We believe that there should be sufficient funds available from the proceeds not held in the trust account and interest earned on the trust account released to us to fund the \$50,000 to \$75,000 of expenses, although we cannot assure you that there will be sufficient funds for such purposes.

In addition, if we seek approval from our stockholders to consummate a business combination within 90 days of the expiration of 24 months after the consummation of this offering (assuming that the period in which we need to consummate a business combination has been extended, as provided in our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation), the proxy statement related to such business combination will also seek stockholder approval for our dissolution and plan for the distribution of our assets, in the event our stockholders do not approve such business combination. If no proxy statement seeking the approval of our stockholders for a business combination has been filed 30 days prior to the date that is 24 months after the consummation of this offering, our board will, prior to such date, convene, adopt and recommend to our stockholders our dissolution and a plan for the distribution of our assets, and on such date file a proxy statement with the SEC seeking stockholder approval for our dissolution and such plan.

We cannot provide investors with assurances of a specific time frame for the completion of our dissolution and the distribution of our assets to our public stockholders.

For more information regarding the dissolution and distribution procedures and the factors that may impair our ability to distribute our assets, including stockholder approval requirements, or cause distributions to be less than \$7.82 per share, please see the sections entitled Risk Factors If third parties bring claims against us, the proceeds held in a trust account could be reduced and the per-share liquidation price received by our stockholders could be less than approximately \$7.82 per share, Risk Factors Under Delaware law, our

dissolution requires the approval of the holders of a majority of our outstanding stock, without which we will not be able to dissolve, liquidate and distribute our assets to our public stockholders, Risk Factors Our stockholders may be held liable for claims by third parties against us to the extent of distributions received by them, and Business Dissolution and Liquidation if No Business Combination.

Escrow of our existing stockholders initial shares and founder warrants:

On the date of this prospectus, all of our existing stockholders, including all of our officers and directors, will place the shares and the founder warrants they owned before this offering into an escrow account maintained by Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company, acting as escrow agent. The shares will not be released

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from escrow until (1) one year from the date of consummation of the business combination or (2) any time after six months from the consummation of the business combination if the volume weighted average price of our common stock equals or exceeds \$11.50 per share for any 20 trading days within any 30 trading day period. The founder warrants will not be released until six months after the consummation of the business combination.

The foregoing restrictions are subject to certain limited exceptions. Individuals holding initial shares may transfer shares to family members and trusts for estate planning purposes, or upon death of an escrow depositor, to an estate or beneficiaries. An entity holding initial shares may transfer shares only to persons or entities controlling, controlled by, or under common control with such entity, or to any stockholder, member, partner or limited partner of such entity. Even if transferred under these circumstances, the initial shares will remain in the escrow account. The shares are releasable from escrow prior to the above dates only if following the initial business combination, we consummate a transaction in which all of the stockholders of the combined entity have the right to exchange their shares of common stock for cash, securities or other property. A purchaser of founder warrants that is an entity may transfer the founder warrants to persons or entities that are controlling, controlled by, or under common control with such entity, or to any stockholder, member, partner or limited partner of such entity, and a purchaser of founder warrants that is an individual may transfer founder warrants to family members and trusts for estate planning purposes, or, upon death, to an estate of beneficiaries.

Determination of offering amount:

We based the size of this offering on our belief as to the capital required to facilitate our combination with one or more viable target businesses with sufficient scale to operate as a stand-alone public entity. We also considered the financial resources of competitors, including other blank check companies with no limitation on the industries in which they may acquire businesses and the amounts such blank check companies were seeking to raise or had raised in recent public offerings. In addition, we also considered the past experiences of our officers and directors in operating businesses, and the size of those businesses, in or related to the healthcare industry. The determination of the offering price of our units and the valuation accorded to our company is more arbitrary than the pricing of securities for, or the valuation of, operating companies in the healthcare industry.

In making your decision on whether to invest in our securities, you should take into account not only the backgrounds of our management team, but also the special risks we face as a blank check company, as well as the fact that this offering is not being conducted in compliance with Rule 419 promulgated under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act ), and, therefore, you will not be entitled to protections normally afforded to investors in Rule 419 blank check offerings. You should carefully consider these and the other risks set forth in the section entitled Risk Factors beginning on page 12 of this prospectus.

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#### SUMMARY FINANCIAL DATA

The following table summarizes the relevant financial data for our business and should be read with our financial statements, which are included in this prospectus. We have not had any significant operations to date, so only balance sheet data is presented. The historical financial information gives retroactive effect to a 1 for 1.086956522 reverse stock split effected on April 5, 2007.

	February 28, 2007			
	Actual		As Adjusted(1)	
Balance Sheet Data:				
Working capital (deficiency)(2)	\$	(361,338)	\$	56,908,351
Total assets(3)	\$	408,103	\$	58,708,351
Total liabilities(4)	\$	439,752	\$	1,800,000
Value of common stock which may be converted for				
cash	\$		\$	17,594,992
Stockholders equity	\$	(31,649)	\$	39,313,359

(1)

The as adjusted information gives effect to the sale of the units we are offering pursuant to this prospectus, including the application of the estimated gross proceeds, the receipt of approximately \$1,800,000 from the sale of the founder warrants in a private placement immediately prior to this offering, and the payment of the estimated remaining costs from such unit sale, including the repayment of an aggregate of \$225,000 of promissory notes payable to K. Michael Forrest, Robert J. Easton and Treasure Road Partners, Ltd., a company controlled by Gary E. Frashier and his wife Giva H. Frashier.

(2)

The working capital (as adjusted) amount includes the proceeds of the sale of \$1,800,000 of founder warrants immediately prior to this offering, but does not include the \$1,800,000 (or \$2,070,000 if the underwriters over-allotment option is exercised in full) being held in the trust account that will either be paid to the underwriters upon consummation of our initial business combination or to our public stockholders in the event we do not consummate a business combination within the required time period.

(3)

The total assets (as adjusted) amounts include the \$58,690,000 being held in the trust account, which will be distributed on completion of our initial business combination (i) to any stockholders who exercise their conversion rights, (ii) to the underwriters in the amount of \$1,800,000 (or \$2,070,000 if the underwriters over-allotment option is exercised in full) in payment of their deferred underwriting discounts and commissions and (iii) to us in the amount remaining in the trust account. All such proceeds will be distributed from the trust account only upon consummation of a business combination within the time period described in this prospectus. If a business combination is not so consummated, we have agreed to promptly adopt a plan of dissolution and liquidation and initiate procedures for our dissolution and liquidation and the distribution of our assets, including the funds held in the trust account.

(4)

The total liabilities (as adjusted) amount represents the underwriter s fee being held in trust that will be paid to the underwriters upon consummation of our initial business combination. \$1,800,000 (or \$2,070,000 if the underwriters over-allotment option is exercised in full) is held in trust for this purpose.

The working capital excludes \$329,689 of costs related to this offering and the founder warrants being sold in the private placement which were paid or accrued prior to February 28, 2007. These deferred offering costs have been recorded as a long-term asset and are reclassified against stockholders equity in the as adjusted column.

We will not proceed with a business combination if public stockholders owning 30% or more of the shares sold in this offering vote against the business combination and exercise their conversion rights. Accordingly, we may effect a business combination if public stockholders owning less than 30% of the shares sold in this offering vote against the business combination and exercise their conversion rights. If this occurred, we would be required to convert to cash up to 2,249,999 shares of common stock, or approximately 29.99% of the aggregate number of shares of common stock sold in this offering, at an initial per-share conversion price of approximately \$7.82. The actual per share conversion price will be equal to the aggregate amount then on deposit in the trust account, before payment of deferred underwriting discounts and commissions, and including any interest earned on their pro rata share, net of taxes payable on such interest, and net of interest income (less taxes payable on such interest) of up to \$1,600,000 of the interest income on the trust account balance accrued and reserved or released to us to fund working capital requirements, as of two business days prior to the proposed consummation of the business combination, divided by the number of shares of common stock sold in this offering.

#### RISK FACTORS

An investment in our securities involves a high degree of risk. You should consider carefully all of the material risks described below, together with the other information contained in this prospectus, before making a decision to invest in our securities. If any of the following events occur, our business, financial condition and operating results may be materially adversely affected. In that event, the trading price of our securities could decline, and you could lose all or part of your investment. This prospectus also contains forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. Our actual results could differ materially from those anticipated in the forward-looking statements as a result of specific factors, including the risks described below.

#### **Risks Associated with Our Business**

We are a development stage company with no operating history and, accordingly, you will not have any basis on which to evaluate our ability to achieve our business objective.

We are a recently incorporated development stage company with no operating results to date. Therefore, our ability to begin operations is dependent upon obtaining financing through the public offering of our securities. Since we do not have an operating history, you will have no basis upon which to evaluate our ability to achieve our business objective, which is to acquire an operating business. We have not conducted any discussions and we have no plans, arrangements or understandings with any prospective acquisition candidates. We will not generate any revenues (other than interest income) until, at the earliest, after the consummation of a business combination. We cannot assure you as to when, or if, a business combination will occur.

We may not be able to consummate a business combination within the required time frame, in which case, we will be forced to dissolve and liquidate.

We must complete a business combination with one or more operating businesses with a collective fair market value equal to at least 80% of our net assets (excluding deferred underwriting discounts and commissions of \$1,800,000, or \$2,070,000 if the over-allotment option is exercised in full) at the time of the acquisition within 18 months after the consummation of this offering (or within 24 months after the consummation of this offering if a letter of intent, agreement in principle or a definitive agreement has been executed within 18 months after the consummation of this offering and the business combination relating thereto has not yet been consummated within such 24-month period). If we fail to complete a business combination within the required time frame we will promptly initiate procedures to dissolve and liquidate our assets. We may not be able to find suitable target businesses within the required time frame. In addition, our negotiating position and our ability to conduct adequate due diligence on any potential target may be reduced as we approach the deadline for the consummation of a business combination. We do not have any specific merger, capital stock exchange, asset acquisition, stock purchase or other business combination transaction under consideration and neither we, nor any representative acting on our behalf, has had any contacts or discussions with any target business regarding such a transaction.

Unlike most other blank check offerings, we allow up to approximately 29.99% of our public stockholders to exercise their conversion rights. This higher threshold will make it easier for us to consummate a business combination with which you may not agree, and you may not receive the full amount of your original investment upon exercise of your conversion rights.

When we seek stockholder approval of a business combination, we will offer each public stockholder (other than our existing stockholders) the right to have his, her or its shares of common stock converted to cash if the stockholder votes against the business combination and the business combination is approved and consummated. We will consummate the initial business combination only if the following two conditions are met: (i) a majority of the shares of common stock voted by the public stockholders are voted in favor of the business combination and (ii) public stockholders owning 30% or more of the shares sold in this offering do not vote against the business combination and

exercise their conversion rights. Most other blank check companies have a conversion threshold of 20%, which makes it more difficult for such companies to consummate their initial business combination. Thus, because we permit a larger number of stockholders to exercise their conversion rights, it will be easier for us to consummate an initial business combination with a target business which you may believe is not suitable for us, and you may not receive the full amount of your original investment upon exercise of your conversion rights.

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If we are required to dissolve and liquidate before a business combination, our public stockholders will receive less than \$8.00 per share upon distribution of the funds held in the trust account and our warrants will expire with no value.

If we are unable to complete a business combination and are required to dissolve and liquidate our assets, the per-share liquidation amount will be less than \$8.00 because of the expenses related to this offering, our general and administrative expenses, and the anticipated cost associated with seeking a business combination. Upon our dissolution and liquidation of the trust account, investors in this offering will be entitled to receive approximately \$7.82 per share plus interest earned on their pro rata portion of the trust account not previously released to us (net of taxes payable thereon) and may lose money on their initial investment. Furthermore, the warrants will expire with no value if we dissolve and liquidate before the completion of a business combination.

If we are unable to maintain a current prospectus relating to the common stock underlying our warrants, our warrants may have little or no value and the market for our warrants may be limited.

No warrant will be exercisable and we will not be obligated to issue shares of common stock unless at the time a holder seeks to exercise such warrant, a prospectus relating to the common stock issuable upon exercise of the warrant is current and the common stock has been registered or qualified or deemed to be exempt under the securities laws of the state of residence of the holder of the warrants. Under the terms of the warrant agreement between Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company, as warrant agent, and us, we have agreed to use our reasonable best efforts to maintain a current prospectus relating to the common stock issuable upon exercise of our warrants until the expiration of our warrants. However, we cannot assure you that we will be able to do so. In addition, the warrant agreement provides that we are not required to net-cash settle the warrants if we are unable to maintain a current prospectus. If the prospectus relating to the common stock issuable upon exercise of the warrants is not current or if the common stock is not qualified or exempt from qualification in the jurisdictions in which the holders of the warrants reside, our warrants may not be exercisable before they expire. Thus, our warrants may be deprived of any value and the market for our warrants may be limited and the warrants may expire worthless.

Under Delaware law, the requirements and restrictions relating to this offering contained in our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation may be amended, which could reduce or eliminate the protection afforded to our stockholders by such requirements and restrictions.

Our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation contains certain requirements and restrictions relating to this offering that will apply to us until the consummation of a business combination. Our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation requires that we obtain consent of 95% of our stockholders to amend the following provisions:

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upon consummation of this offering, \$58,690,000 (or \$67,330,000 if the over-allotment option is exercised in full), of the proceeds from the offering and the private placement shall be placed into the trust account, which proceeds may not be disbursed from the trust account except in connection with a business combination, including the payment of the deferred underwriting discounts and commissions, or thereafter, upon our dissolution and liquidation, or as otherwise permitted in the second amended and restated certificate of incorporation;

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prior to consummating a business combination, we must submit such business combination to our stockholders for approval;

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we may consummate the business combination if approved by a majority of our stockholders and public stockholders owning less than 30% of the shares sold in this offering exercise their conversion rights;

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if a business combination is approved and consummated, public stockholders who voted against the business combination and who exercise their conversion rights will receive their pro rata share of the trust account, before payment of deferred underwriting discounts and commissions and including any interest earned on their pro rata share, net of taxes payable on such interest, and net of interest income (less taxes payable on such interest) of up to \$1,600,000 of the interest income on the trust account balance accrued and reserved or released to us to fund working capital requirements); and

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if a business combination is not consummated or a letter of intent, an agreement in principle, or a definitive agreement is not signed within the time periods specified in this prospectus, then our corporate purposes and powers will immediately thereupon be limited to acts and activities relating to dissolving and winding

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up our affairs, including liquidation of our assets, including funds in the trust account, and we will not be able to engage in any other business activities.

#### You will not be entitled to protections normally afforded to investors of blank check companies.

Since the net proceeds of this offering are intended to be used to complete a business combination with a target business or businesses that have not been identified, we may be deemed to be a blank check company under the United States securities laws. However, since we will have net tangible assets in excess of \$5,000,000 upon the successful consummation of this offering and will file a Current Report on Form 8-K with the SEC upon consummation of this offering, including an audited balance sheet demonstrating this fact, we are exempt from rules promulgated by the SEC to protect investors of blank check companies such as Rule 419. Accordingly, investors will not be afforded the benefits or protections of those rules. Because we are not subject to Rule 419, our units will be immediately tradable and we have a longer period of time to complete a business combination in certain circumstances. For a more detailed comparison of our offering to offerings under Rule 419, see the section entitled Comparison to offerings of blank check companies below.

# Under Delaware law, our dissolution requires the approval of the holders of a majority of our outstanding stock, without which we will not be able to dissolve and liquidate, and distribute our assets to our public stockholders.

We will promptly initiate procedures for our dissolution and the distribution of our assets, including the funds held in the trust account, to our public stockholders, if we do not effect a business combination within 18 months after consummation of this offering (or within 24 months after the consummation of this offering if a letter of intent, agreement in principle, or definitive agreement has been executed within 18 months after consummation of this offering and the business combination related thereto has not been consummated within such 24-month period). We will seek stockholder approval for our dissolution and plan for the distribution of our assets. Upon the approval by our stockholders of our dissolution and plan for the distribution of our assets, we will liquidate our assets, including the trust account, and after reserving amounts sufficient to cover our liabilities and obligations and the costs of dissolution and liquidation, distribute those assets solely to our public stockholders. However, soliciting the vote of our stockholders will require the preparation of preliminary and definitive proxy statements, which will need to be filed with the SEC and could be subject to their review. This process could take up to several months.

As a result, the distribution of our assets to the public stockholders could be subject to a considerable delay. Furthermore, we may need to postpone the stockholders meeting, resolicit our stockholders, or amend our plan for the distribution of our assets to obtain the required stockholder approval, all of which would further delay the distribution of our assets and result in increased costs. If we are not able to obtain approval from a majority of our stockholders, we will not be able to dissolve and we will not be able to distribute funds from our trust account to holders of our common stock sold in this offering and these funds will not be available for any other corporate purpose. In the event we seek stockholder approval for our dissolution obtain such approval, we will nonetheless continue to pursue stockholder approval for our dissolution. However, we cannot assure you that our stockholders will approve our dissolution in a timely manner or will ever approve our dissolution. As a result, we cannot provide investors with assurances of a specific timeframe for the dissolution and distribution. If our stockholders do not approve a plan of dissolution and distribution and the funds remain in the trust account for an indeterminate amount of time, we may be considered to be an investment company.

# If third parties bring claims against us, the proceeds held in the trust account could be reduced and the per-share liquidation price received by stockholders could be less than \$7.82 per share.

Our placing of funds in the trust account may not protect those funds from third party claims against us. Pursuant to Delaware General Corporation Law Section 281(b), upon our dissolution we will be required to pay or make reasonable provision to pay all claims and obligations of the corporation, including all contingent, conditional, or unmatured claims. While we intend to pay those amounts from our funds not held in trust, we cannot assure you those

funds will be sufficient to cover such claims and obligations. Although we are obligated to have all vendors, prospective target businesses or other entities waive any right, title, interest, or claim of any kind in or to any monies held in the trust account for the benefit of our public stockholders, there is no guarantee that they will agree to such waivers, or even if they agree to such waivers that they would be prevented from bringing claims against the trust account, including but not limited to, fraudulent inducement, breach of fiduciary responsibility, and other similar claims, as well as claims challenging the enforceability of the waiver, in each case in order to gain an advantage with a claim against our assets, including the funds held in the trust account.

Our existing stockholders have agreed that they will be personally liable, on a joint and several basis, to cover claims made by such third parties, but only if, and to the extent, the claims reduce the amounts in the trust account available for payment to our stockholders in the event of a liquidation and the claims are made by a vendor or service provider for services rendered, or products sold, to us or by a prospective acquisition target. However, our existing stockholders will not have any personal liability as to any claimed amounts owed to a third party who executed a waiver (including a prospective acquisition target) or the underwriters. Based on representations made to us by our existing stockholders, we currently believe that they are of substantial means and capable of funding a shortfall in our trust account to satisfy their foreseeable indemnification obligations, but we have not asked them to reserve for such an eventuality. The indemnification obligations may be substantially higher than our existing stockholders currently foresee or expect and/or their financial resources may deteriorate in the future. Hence, we cannot assure you that our existing stockholders will be able to satisfy those obligations or that the proceeds in the trust account will not be reduced by such claims. Furthermore, creditors may seek to interfere with the distribution of the trust account pursuant to federal or state creditor and bankruptcy laws, which could delay the actual distribution of such funds or reduce the amount ultimately available for distribution to our public stockholders. If we are forced to file a bankruptcy case or an involuntary bankruptcy case is filed against us which is not dismissed, the funds held in our trust account will be subject to applicable bankruptcy law and may be included in our bankruptcy estate and subject to claims of third parties with priority over the claims of our public stockholders. To the extent bankruptcy claims deplete the trust account, we cannot assure you we will be able to return to our public stockholders the distribution amounts due to them. Accordingly, the actual per share amount distributed from the trust account to our public stockholders could be significantly less than approximately \$7.82, without taking into account interest earned on the trust account (net of taxes payable on such interest), due to claims of creditors. Any claims by creditors could cause additional delays in the distribution of trust funds to the public stockholders beyond the time periods required to comply with Delaware General Corporation Law procedures and federal securities laws and regulations.

# Our stockholders may be held liable for claims by third parties against us to the extent of distributions received by them in dissolution, regardless of when such claims are filed.

We cannot assure you that third parties will not seek to recover from the assets distributed to our public stockholders any amounts owed to them by us. Under the DGCL, our stockholders could be liable for any claims against the corporation to the extent of distributions received by them in dissolution. Further, because our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation provides that we distribute our assets in accordance with Section 281(b) rather than Sections 280 and 281(a), any such liability of our stockholders could extend to claims for which an action, suit or proceeding is begun after the third anniversary of our dissolution. The limitations on stockholder liability under the DGCL for claims against a dissolved corporation are determined by the procedures that a corporation follows for distribution of its assets following dissolution. If we complied with the procedures set forth in Sections 280 and 281(a) of the DGCL (which would include, among other things, a 60-day notice period during which any third-party claims can be brought against us, a 90-day period during which we may reject any claims brought, an additional 150-day waiting period before any liquidating distributions are made to stockholders, as well as review by the Delaware Court of Chancery) our stockholders would have no further liability with respect to claims on which an action, suit or proceeding is begun after the third anniversary of our dissolution. However, in accordance with our intention to liquidate and distribute our assets to our stockholders as soon as reasonably possible after dissolution, our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation provides that we will comply with Section 281(b) of the DGCL instead of Sections 280 and 281(a). Accordingly, our stockholders liability could extend to claims for which an action, suit or proceeding is begun after the third anniversary of our dissolution.

Since we have not currently selected any target business with which to complete a business combination, investors in this offering are unable to currently ascertain the merits or risks of the target business s operations.

Since we have not yet identified a prospective target business, investors in this offering have no current basis to evaluate the possible merits or risks of the target business s operations. To the extent we complete a business combination with a financially unstable company or an entity in its development stage, we may be affected by

numerous risks inherent in the business operations of those entities. Although our management will endeavor to evaluate the risks inherent in a particular target business, we cannot assure you that we will properly or adequately ascertain or assess all of the significant risk factors. We also cannot assure you that an investment in our units will not ultimately prove to be less favorable to investors in this offering than a direct investment, if an opportunity were

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available, in a target business. For a more complete discussion of our selection of a target business, see the section below entitled Effecting a business combination We have not identified a target business.

We are uncertain as to the type of healthcare company that we may acquire and, accordingly, investors in this offering are unable to ascertain the merits or risks of the particular segment of the healthcare industry from which we may ultimately select a target business for a business combination.

We intend to consummate a business combination with a company in the healthcare industry. We are currently uncertain as to what type of healthcare business we intend to acquire. The healthcare industry is very broad and an investor s view of what constitutes a healthcare company may vary from our management s view of a healthcare company. We will have virtually unrestricted flexibility in identifying and selecting a prospective acquisition candidate within the healthcare industry. Accordingly, there is no basis for investors in this offering to evaluate the possible merits or risks of the particular segment of the healthcare industry from which we may ultimately select a target business for a business combination.

We may acquire a target business located outside of the United States which may subject us to additional risks that could have an adverse effect on our business operations and financial results subsequent to the business combination.

Acquiring and operating a foreign target company may involve additional risks, including changes in trade protection and investment laws, policies and measures, and other regulatory requirements affecting foreign trade and investment; social, political, labor, or economic conditions in a specific country or region; and difficulties in staffing and managing foreign operations. In addition, significant fluctuations in exchange rates between the U.S. dollar and foreign currencies may adversely affect the price of acquiring a foreign target business and, subsequent to acquisition, our future net revenues. These types of risks may impede our ability to successfully complete a business combination with a target business located outside of the United States and may impair our financial results and operations if we consummate such a business combination.

Because there are numerous companies with a business plan similar to ours seeking to effectuate a business combination, it may be more difficult for us to do so.

Based on publicly available information, since August 2003, approximately 101 similarly structured blank check companies have completed initial public offerings and numerous others have filed registration statements. Of these companies, only 24 companies have consummated a business combination, of which only one was in the healthcare industry, while 21 other companies have announced that they have entered into definitive agreements or letters of intent with respect to potential business combinations, but have not yet consummated such business combinations. Accordingly, there are approximately 45 blank check companies and potentially approximately an additional 38 blank check companies that have filed registration statements and are or will be seeking to enter into a business combination. We believe that there are approximately eleven blank check companies that have identified the healthcare industry as the industry in which they are seeking to complete a business combination, of which four have completed initial public offerings and are seeking to complete a business combination, four have announced business combinations that are currently pending and three have filed registration statements for their initial public offerings. As a result, we may be subject to competition from these and other companies seeking to complete a business combination within the healthcare industry which, in turn, will result in an increased demand for privately-held companies in such industry. Because of this competition, we cannot assure you that we will be able to effectuate a business combination within the required time period. Further, because only 45 of such companies have either consummated a business combination or entered into a definitive agreement for a business combination, it may indicate that there are fewer attractive target businesses available to such entities or that many privately-held target businesses are not inclined to enter into these types of transactions with publicly-held blank check companies like ours. We cannot assure you that we will be able to successfully compete for an attractive business combination. Additionally, because of this competition, we cannot assure you that we will be able to effectuate a business

combination within the prescribed time period. If we are unable to consummate a business combination within the prescribed time period, we will be forced to liquidate.

We may issue shares of our capital stock or debt securities to complete a business combination, which would reduce the equity interest of our stockholders and likely cause a change in control of our ownership.

Our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation authorizes the issuance of up to 60,000,000 shares of common stock, par value \$.0001 per share, and 1,000,000 shares of preferred stock, par value \$.0001 per share. Immediately after this offering (assuming no exercise of the underwriters over-allotment option), there will be 40,425,000 authorized but unissued shares of our common stock available for issuance (assuming issuance of shares upon full exercise of our outstanding warrants and the purchase option granted to the underwriters) and all of the 1,000,000 shares of preferred stock available for issuance. Although we have no commitments as of the date of this offering to issue our securities, we may issue a substantial number of additional shares of our common stock or preferred stock, or a combination of common and preferred stock, to complete a business combination. Any additional equity investors in an offering consummated prior to, or in connection with, a business combination would not be able to participate in any distribution upon our liquidation of the trust account and, accordingly, would not reduce the \$7.82 amount expected to be paid to public stockholders upon liquidation of the trust account. The issuance of additional shares of our common stock or any number of shares of our preferred stock:

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may significantly reduce the equity interest of investors in this offering;

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could cause a change in control if a substantial number of our shares of common stock are issued, which may affect, among other things, our ability to use our net operating loss carry forwards, if any, and most likely also result in the resignation or removal of our present officers and directors; and

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may adversely affect prevailing market prices for our common stock.

Additionally, the healthcare industry is capital intensive, traditionally using substantial amounts of indebtedness to finance acquisitions, capital expenditures and working capital needs. If we finance any acquisitions through the issuance of debt securities, it could result in:

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default and foreclosure on our assets if our operating cash flow after a business combination were insufficient to pay our debt obligations;

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acceleration of our obligations to repay the indebtedness even if we have made all principal and interest payments when due if the debt security contained covenants that required the maintenance of certain financial ratios or reserves and any such covenant were breached without a waiver or renegotiation of that covenant;

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our immediate payment of all principal and accrued interest, if any, if the debt security was payable on demand; and

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our inability to obtain additional financing, if necessary, if the debt security contained covenants restricting our ability to obtain additional financing while such security was outstanding.

The value of your investment in us may decline if any of these events occur.

For a more complete discussion of the possible structure of a business combination, see the section below entitled Effecting a business combination. Selection of a target business and structuring of a business combination.

Our existing stockholders, including officers and directors, control a substantial interest in us and thus may influence certain actions requiring stockholder vote.

Upon consummation of the offering, our existing stockholders, including our officers and directors, will collectively own approximately 20% of our issued and outstanding shares of common stock which could permit them to effectively influence the outcome of all matters requiring approval by our stockholders at such time, including the election of directors and approval of significant corporate transactions, following the consummation of our initial business combination. If we are not subject to Section 2115(b) of the California Corporations Code, our board of directors will be divided into three classes, each of which will generally serve for a term of three years with only one class of directors being elected in each year. It is unlikely that there will be an annual meeting of stockholders to elect new directors prior to the consummation of a business combination, in which case all of the current directors will continue in office at least until the consummation of the business combination. If there is an annual meeting, as a consequence of our staggered board of directors, only a minority of the board of directors will be considered for election and our existing stockholders, because of their ownership position, will have

considerable influence regarding the outcome. Accordingly, our existing stockholders will continue to exert control at least until the consummation of a business combination.

We will be dependent upon interest earned on the trust account to fund our search for a target company and consummation of a business combination.

Of the net proceeds of this offering and the private placement, only \$50,000 is estimated to be available to us initially outside the trust account to fund our working capital requirements. We will be dependent upon sufficient interest being earned on the proceeds held in the trust account to provide us with the additional working capital we will need to search for a target company and consummate a business combination. While we are entitled to \$1,600,000 of the interest earned, net of taxes payable on such interest, for such purposes, if interest rates were to decline substantially, we may not have sufficient funds available to provide us with the working capital necessary to complete a business combination. In such event, we would need to raise additional equity capital or borrow funds from our existing stockholders, including officers and directors, or others or be forced to liquidate. None of our existing stockholders, officers or directors is required to provide any financing to us and we are permitted to obtain financing from third party lenders.

Our ability to successfully effect a business combination and to be successful afterward will be totally dependent upon the efforts of our key personnel, some of whom may join us following a business combination and whom we would have only a limited ability to evaluate. It is also likely that some of our current officers and directors will resign upon the consummation of a business combination.

Our ability to successfully effect a business combination will be totally dependent upon the efforts of our key personnel. The future role of our key personnel following a business combination, however, cannot presently be fully ascertained. Although several of our management and other key personnel may remain associated with us following a business combination, it is unlikely that all of our current management will be able to remain with the combined company after the consummation of a business combination. Thus, we will likely employ other personnel following the business combination. While we intend to closely scrutinize any additional individuals we engage after a business combination, we cannot assure you that our assessment of these individuals will prove to be correct. These individuals may be unfamiliar with the requirements of operating a public company as well as United States securities laws which could cause us to have to expend time and resources helping them become familiar with such laws. This could be expensive and time-consuming and could lead to various regulatory issues which may adversely affect our operations.

Because all of our officers and directors currently directly or indirectly own shares of our common stock that will not participate in liquidating distributions, they may have a conflict of interest in determining whether a particular target business is appropriate for a business combination.

All of our officers and directors, either directly or indirectly own shares of our common stock. None of these persons will have the right to receive distributions from the funds held in a trust account with respect to shares of our common stock acquired by them prior to the completion of this offering upon our dissolution and liquidation in the event we fail to complete a business combination, and they would lose their entire investment in us were this to occur. Therefore, the personal and financial interests of our directors and officers may influence their motivation in identifying and selecting target businesses and completing a business combination in a timely manner. This may result in a conflict of interest when determining whether the terms, conditions, and timing of a particular business combination are appropriate and in our stockholders best interest.

Our officers and directors may allocate their time to other businesses thereby causing conflicts of interest in their determination as to how much time to devote to our affairs. This could have a negative impact on our ability to consummate a business combination.

Our officers and directors are not required to commit their full time to our affairs, which may result in a conflict of interest in allocating their time between our operations and other businesses. We do not intend to have any full time employees prior to the consummation of a business combination. All of our executive officers are engaged in several other business endeavors and are not obligated to contribute any specific number of hours per week to our affairs. If our executive officers—other business affairs require them to devote more substantial amounts of time to such affairs, it could limit their ability to devote time to our affairs and could have a negative impact on our ability to consummate a business combination. For a complete discussion of the potential conflicts of interest that you

should be aware of, see the section below entitled Management Conflicts of Interest. We cannot assure you that these conflicts will be resolved in our favor.

If we seek to effect a business combination with an entity that is directly or indirectly affiliated with one or more of our existing stockholders, conflicts of interest could arise.

Our existing stockholders either currently have or may in the future have affiliations with companies in the healthcare industry. If we were to seek a business combination with a target business with which one or more of our existing stockholders is affiliated, conflicts of interest could arise in connection with negotiating the terms of and completing the business combination. If conflicts arise, they may not necessarily be resolved in our favor.

Our officers, directors and their affiliates currently are, and may in the future become affiliated with entities engaged in business activities that are, similar to those intended to be conducted by us and, accordingly, may have conflicts of interest in determining to which entity a particular business opportunity should be presented.

None of our officers, directors or their affiliates has been or currently is a principal of, or affiliated or associated with, a blank check company. However, all of our officers and directors currently are, and may in the future become affiliated with additional entities that are engaged in business activities similar to those intended to be conducted by us. All of our officers and directors hold positions as officers and/or directors of companies in the healthcare industry. Due to these existing affiliations, they and our other directors may have fiduciary obligations to present potential business opportunities to those entities prior to presenting them to us which could cause additional conflicts of interest. Accordingly, they may have conflicts of interest in determining to which entity a particular business opportunity should be presented. For a complete discussion of our management s business affiliations and the potential conflicts of interest that you should be aware of, see the section below entitled Management Conflicts of Interest. We cannot assure you that these conflicts will be resolved in our favor.

Our directors and officers interests in obtaining reimbursement for any out-of-pocket expenses incurred by them may lead to a conflict of interest in determining whether a particular target business is appropriate for a business combination and in the public stockholders best interest.

Our directors and officers will not receive reimbursement for any out-of-pocket expenses incurred by them to the extent that such expenses exceed the amount of available proceeds not deposited in the trust fund and \$1,600,000 of the interest income from the trust account, net of taxes payable on such interest, which will be released to us, unless the business combination is consummated. These amounts are based on management s estimates of the funds needed to fund our operations for the next 24 months and consummate a business combination. Those estimates may prove to be inaccurate, especially if a portion of the available proceeds is used to make a down payment in connection with a business combination or pay exclusivity or similar fees or if we expend a significant portion in pursuit of an acquisition that is not consummated. The financial interest of our directors and officers could influence their motivation in selecting a target business or negotiating with a target business in connection with a proposed business combination and thus, there may be a conflict of interest when determining whether a particular business combination is in the stockholders best interest.

It is probable that our initial business combination will be with a single target business, which may cause us to be solely dependent on a single business and a limited number of services.

Our initial business combination must be with a business or businesses with a collective fair market value equal to at least 80% of our net assets (excluding deferred underwriting discounts and commissions of \$1,800,000, or \$2,070,000 if the underwriters—over-allotment option is exercised in full) at the time of such acquisition. We may not be able to acquire more than one target business because of various factors, including possible complex accounting issues, which would include generating pro forma financial statements reflecting the operations of several target businesses as if they had been combined, and numerous logistical issues, which could include attempting to coordinate the timing of

negotiations, proxy statement disclosure and closings with multiple target businesses. In addition, we would also be exposed to the risk that conditions to closings with respect to the acquisition of one or more of the target businesses would not be satisfied bringing the fair market value of the initial business combination below the required fair market value of 80% of our net assets threshold. Accordingly, while it is possible that we may attempt to effect our initial business combination with more than one target business, we are more likely to choose a single target business if deciding between one target business meeting such 80% threshold and comparable multiple target business candidates collectively meeting the 80% threshold. Consequently, it is

probable that, unless the purchase price consists substantially of our equity, we will have the ability to complete only the initial business combination with the proceeds of this offering. Accordingly, the prospects for our success may be:

solely dependent upon the performance of a single business, or

dependent upon the development or market acceptance of a single or limited number of services.

In this case, we will not be able to diversify our operations or benefit from the possible spreading of risks or offsetting of losses, unlike other entities which may have the resources to complete several business combinations in different industries or different areas of a single industry. Further, the prospects for our success may be entirely dependent upon the future performance of the initial target business or businesses that we acquire.

Because of our limited resources and the significant competition for target businesses, we may not be able to consummate an attractive business combination.

We expect to encounter intense competition from other entities having a business objective similar to ours, including venture capital funds, leveraged buyout funds and operating businesses competing for acquisitions. Many of these entities are well established and have extensive experience in identifying and effecting acquisitions directly or through affiliates. Many of these competitors possess greater technical, human and other resources than we do and our financial resources will be relatively limited when contrasted with those of many of these competitors. While we believe that there are numerous potential target businesses that we could acquire with the net proceeds of this offering, our ability to compete in acquiring certain sizable target businesses will be limited by our available financial resources. This inherent competitive limitation gives others an advantage in pursuing the acquisition of certain target businesses. Further:

our obligation to seek stockholder approval of a business combination may materially delay the consummation of a transaction;

our obligation to convert into cash the shares of common stock in certain instances may materially reduce the resources available for a business combination; and

our outstanding warrants, and the future dilution they potentially represent, may not be viewed favorably by certain target businesses.

Any of these obligations may place us at a material competitive disadvantage in successfully negotiating a business combination, particularly against a competitor that does not need stockholder approval. Because of these factors, we may not be able to successfully compete for an attractive business combination, or to effectuate any business combination within the required time periods. If we do not find a suitable target business within such time periods, we will be forced to liquidate.

A significant portion of our working capital could be expended in pursuing acquisitions that are not consummated.

We expect that the investigation of each specific target business and the negotiation, drafting and execution of relevant agreements, disclosure documents and other instruments will require substantial management time and attention and substantial costs for accountants, attorneys and others. In addition, we may opt to make down payments or pay exclusivity or other fees in connection with structuring and negotiating a business combination. If a decision is made not to complete a specific business combination, the costs incurred up to that point for the proposed transaction, potentially including down payments or exclusivity or similar fees, probably would not be recoverable. Furthermore, even if an agreement is reached relating to a specific target business, we may fail to consummate the transaction for any number of reasons, including those beyond our control such as that 30% or more of our public stockholders vote against the transaction and exercise their conversion rights even though a majority of our public stockholders approve the transaction. Any such event will result in a loss to us of the related costs incurred, which could materially adversely affect subsequent attempts to locate and acquire or merge with another business. For more information, see the section entitled Proposed Business Effecting a Business Combination We have neither selected nor approached any target businesses.

We may be unable to obtain additional financing, if required, to complete a business combination or to fund the operations and growth of the target business, which could compel us to restructure the transaction or abandon a particular business combination.

As we have not yet identified any prospective target business, we cannot ascertain the capital requirements for any particular transaction. If the net proceeds of this offering prove to be insufficient, either because of the size of the business combination or the depletion of the available net proceeds not held in trust (including interest earned on the trust account released to us) in search of a target business, or because we become obligated to convert into cash a significant number of shares from dissenting stockholders, we will be required to seek additional financing. We cannot assure you that such financing would be available on acceptable terms, if at all. To the extent that additional financing proves to be unavailable when needed to consummate a particular business combination, we would be compelled to restructure the transaction or abandon that particular business combination and seek an alternative target business candidate. In addition, if we consummate a business combination, we may require additional financing to fund the operations or growth of the target business. The failure to secure additional financing could have a material adverse effect on the continued development or growth of the target business. None of our officers, directors or existing stockholders is required to provide any financing to us in connection with or after a business combination.

#### **Risks Related to the Healthcare Industry**

If we are unable to comply with governmental regulations affecting the healthcare industry, it could negatively affect our operations.

There is extensive government regulation of many healthcare businesses as well as various proposals at the federal government level to reform the healthcare system. Changes to the existing regulatory framework and/or implementation of various reform initiatives could adversely affect certain sectors of the healthcare industry. If we are unable to adhere to these requirements, it could result in the imposition of penalties and fines against us, and could also result in the imposition of restrictions on our business and operations. For a more complete discussion of the government regulations applicable to the healthcare industry, please see the section entitled Proposed Business Government Regulations below.

If we are required to obtain governmental approval of our products following a business combination, the production of our products could be delayed and we could be required to engage in a lengthy and expensive approval process that may not ultimately be successful.

Unanticipated problems may arise in connection with the development of new products or technologies, and many such efforts may ultimately be unsuccessful. In addition, testing or marketing products may require obtaining government approvals, which may be a lengthy and expensive process with an uncertain outcome. Delays in commercializing products may result in the need to seek additional capital, potentially diluting the interest of investors. These various factors may result in abrupt advances and declines in the securities prices of particular companies in the healthcare industry and, in some cases, may have broad effect on the prices of securities of specific healthcare companies or of companies in the healthcare industry generally.

The healthcare industry is susceptible to significant liability exposure. If liability claims are brought against us following a business combination, it could materially adversely affect our operations.

Any target business we acquire in the healthcare industry will be exposed to potential liability risks that are inherent in the testing, manufacturing, marketing and sale of healthcare products and/or the provisions of healthcare services. We cannot assure you that a liability claim would not have material adverse effect on our business, financial condition or market prices of our securities.

If we are unable to obtain and maintain protection for the intellectual property relating to our technologies and products or services following a business combination, the value of our technology, products or services may be decreased and our revenues may be likewise decreased.

Intellectual property rights in the fields of biotechnology, pharmaceuticals, diagnostics and medical devise is highly uncertain and involves complex legal and scientific questions. At the same time, the profitability of companies in these fields generally depends on sustained competitive advantages and differentiation that are based

on intellectual property. Our success following a business combination will depend in large part on our ability to obtain and maintain protection in the United States and other countries for the intellectual property covering or incorporated into our technology products or services. We may not be able to obtain additional issued patents relating to our technology, products or services. Even if issued, patents may be challenged, narrowed, invalidated or circumvented, which could limit our ability to stop competitors from marketing similar products or services, limit the length of term of patent protection we may have for our products or services, and expose us to substantial litigation costs and drain our resources. Changes in either patent laws or in interpretation of patent laws in the Untied States and other countries may diminish the value of our intellectual property or narrow the scope of our patent protection.

If our prospective business infringes on the rights of third parties, we could be prevented from selling products, forced to pay damages, and may have to defend against litigation.

In the event that the products, methods, processes or other technologies of our prospective business are claimed to infringe the proprietary rights of other parties, we could incur substantial costs and may be required to:

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obtain licenses, which may not be available on commercially reasonable terms, if at all;
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abandon an infringing product, process or technology;
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redesign our products, processes or technologies to avoid infringement;
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stop using the subject matter claimed in the patents held by others;
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defend litigation or administrative proceedings; or
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Our investments in healthcare-related companies may be extremely risky and we could lose all or part of our investments.

pay damages.

An investment in healthcare-related companies may be extremely risky relative to an investment in companies operating in other sectors due, in part, to the following factors:

early stage healthcare companies typically have limited operating histories, narrow research and development capabilities, narrow potential product lines, are usually focused exclusively on development of potential products and technologies, and most have not yet reached the stage of product commercialization;

to the extent that early stage healthcare companies are actually commercializing products, they generally have smaller market shares than larger businesses, which tend to render them more vulnerable to competitors actions and market conditions:

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early stage healthcare companies generally have less predictable operating results, may from time to time be parties to litigation, may be engaged in rapidly changing businesses with product candidates subject to a substantial risk of failure, and may require substantial additional capital to support their operations, finance expansion or maintain their competitive position;

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because many smaller healthcare companies tend to be privately owned, there is generally little publicly available information about these businesses; therefore, we may not learn all of the material information we need to know regarding these businesses; and

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many small healthcare companies are more likely to depend on the management talents and efforts of a small group of persons; therefore, the death, disability, resignation or termination of one or more of these persons could have a material adverse impact on the operations of any healthcare-related company we may acquire.

Changes in the healthcare industry are subject to various influences, each of which may affect our prospective business.

The healthcare industry is subject to changing political, economic, and regulatory influences. These factors affect the purchasing practices and operations of healthcare organizations. Any changes in current healthcare financing and reimbursement systems could cause us to make unplanned enhancements of our prospective products,

or result in delays or cancellations of orders, or in the revocation of endorsement of our prospective products by clients. Federal and state legislatures have periodically considered programs to reform or amend the U.S. healthcare system at both the federal and state level. Such programs may increase governmental regulation or involvement in healthcare, lower reimbursement rates, or otherwise change the environment in which healthcare industry participants operate. Healthcare industry participants may respond by reducing their investments or postponing investment decisions, including investments in our prospective products.

Many healthcare industry participants are consolidating to create integrated healthcare systems with greater market power. As the healthcare industry consolidates, competition to provide products to industry participants may become even more intense, as will the importance of establishing a relationship with each industry participant. These industry participants may try to use their market power to negotiate price reductions for our prospective products. If we were forced to reduce our prices, our operating results could suffer if we could not achieve corresponding reductions in our expenses.

Any business we acquire will be subject to extensive government regulation. Any business changes to the laws and regulations governing our prospective business, or the interpretation and enforcement of those laws or regulations, could cause us to modify our operations and could negatively impact our operating results.

Our prospective business will be extensively regulated by the federal government and any states in which we decide to operate. The laws and regulations governing our operations, if any, are generally intended to benefit and protect persons other than our stockholders. The government agencies administering these laws and regulations have broad latitude to enforce them. These laws and regulations along with the terms of any government contracts we may enter into would regulate how we do business, what products we could offer, and how we would interact with the public. These laws and regulations, and their interpretations, are subject to frequent change. Changes in existing laws or regulations, or their interpretations, or the enactment of new laws or regulations could reduce our revenue, if any, by:

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imposing additional research requirements, thereby delaying the launch of potential new products and increasing expenses;
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increasing our liability;
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increasing our administrative and other costs;
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increasing or decreasing mandated benefits;
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forcing us to restructure our relationships with providers or partners; or

requiring us to implement additional or different programs and systems.

An example of recently enacted and far-reaching legislation is the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003, which will have very significant effects in greatly increasing the level of federal expenditures for prescription drugs. The new legislation will alter the nature and degree of reimbursement for drugs as it is phased in during 2006. Any analogous requirements applied to our prospective products would be costly to implement and could affect our prospective revenues.

The current administration s issuance of new regulations, its enforcement of the existing laws and regulations, the states ability to promulgate stricter rules, and uncertainty regarding many aspects of the regulations may make compliance with any new regulatory landscape difficult. In order to comply with any new regulatory requirements, any prospective business we acquire may be required to employ additional or different programs and systems, the costs of which are unknown to us at this time. Further, compliance with any such new regulations may lead to additional costs that we have not yet identified. We do not know whether, or the extent to which, we would be able to recover our costs of complying with any new regulations. Any new regulations and the related compliance costs could have a material adverse effect on our business.

If we are unable to attract qualified healthcare professionals at reasonable costs, it could limit our ability to grow, increase our operating costs and negatively impact our business.

We may rely significantly on our ability to attract and retain qualified healthcare professionals who possess the skills, experience and licenses necessary to meet the certification requirements and the requirements of applicable

state and federal governing bodies. We will compete for qualified healthcare professionals with other healthcare organizations, universities, hospitals and government organizations.

Our ability to attract and retain such qualified healthcare professionals will depend on several factors, including our ability to provide attractive assignments and competitive benefits and wages. We cannot assure you that we will be successful in any of these areas.

We may be dependent on payments from Medicare and Medicaid. Changes in the rates of methods governing these payments for our prospective products, or delays in such payments, could adversely affect our prospective revenue.

Any reductions in amounts paid by government programs for our prospective products or changes in methods or regulations governing payments would adversely affect our potential revenue. Additionally, delays in any such payments, whether as a result of disputes or for any other reason, would also adversely affect our potential revenue.

If our costs were to increase more rapidly than payment adjustments we receive from Medicare, Medicaid or other third-party payors for any of our potential products, our revenue could be negatively impacted. Accordingly, our revenue may be largely dependent on our ability to manage costs of providing such products.

We may depend on payments from third-party payors, including managed care organizations. If these payments are reduced, eliminated or delayed, our prospective revenues could be adversely affected.

We may be dependent upon private sources of payment for any of our potential products or research services. Any amounts that we may receive in payment for such products or services may be adversely affected by market and cost factors as well as other factors over which we have no control, including regulations and cost containment and utilization decisions and reduced reimbursement schedules of third-party payors. Any reductions in such payments, to the extent that we could not recoup them elsewhere, would have a material adverse effect on our prospective business and results of operations. Additionally, delays in any such payments, whether as a result of disputes or for any other reason, would have a material adverse effect on our prospective business and results of operations.

# If the FDA or other state or foreign agencies impose regulations that affect our potential products, our costs will increase.

The development, testing, production and marketing of any of our potential products that we may manufacture, market or sell following a business combination may be subject to regulation by the FDA as drugs. All new drugs must be the subject of an FDA-approved new drug application (NDA) and all new biologics products must be the subject of a biologics license application (BLA) before they may be marketed in the United States. All generic equivalents to previously approved drugs or new dosage forms of existing drugs must be the subject of an FDA-approved abbreviated new drug application (ANDA) before they may be marketed in the United States. In all cases, the FDA has the authority to determine what testing procedures are appropriate for a particular product and, in some instances, has not published or otherwise identified guidelines as to the appropriate procedures. The required product testing and approval process for new drugs and biologics ordinarily takes several years and requires the expenditure of substantial resources. Testing of any product under development may not result in a commercially viable product. Even after such time and expenses, regulatory approval by the FDA may not be obtained for any products developed. Even if regulatory approval is obtained, a marketed product, its manufacturer and its manufacturing facilities are subject to continual review and periodic inspections. Subsequent discovery of previously unknown problems with a product, manufacturer or facility may result in restrictions on the product or manufacturer, including withdrawal of the product from the market.

Even if required FDA approval has been obtained with respect to a new drug or biologic product, foreign regulatory approval of a product must also be obtained prior to marketing the product internationally. Foreign approval procedures vary from country to country and the time required for approval may delay or prevent marketing. Although

there is now a centralized European Union approval mechanism for new pharmaceutical products in place, each European Union member state may nonetheless impose its own procedures and requirements, many of which are time consuming and expensive, and some European Union member states require price approval as part of the regulatory approval process. Thus, there can be substantial delays in obtaining required approval from both the FDA and foreign regulatory authorities.

The regulatory requirements applicable to any new drug or biologic product may be modified in the future. We cannot determine what effect changes in regulations or statutes or legal interpretations may have on a product in the future. Any changes or new legislation could have a material adverse effect on our ability to develop and sell new drug and biologics products and, therefore, our ability to generate revenue and cash flow from them.

The FDA and state authorities have broad enforcement powers. The FDA can impose civil and criminal enforcement actions and other penalties on us if we were to fail to comply with stringent FDA regulations. Our failure to comply with applicable regulatory requirements could result in enforcement action by the FDA or state agencies, which may include any of the following sanctions:

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warning letters, fines, injunctions, consent decrees and civil penalties;
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repair, replacement, refunds, recall or seizure of our products;
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operating restrictions or partial suspension or total shutdown of production;
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refusal of requests for approval of new products, new intended uses, or modifications to existing products;
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withdrawal of market approvals previously granted; and
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criminal prosecution.
If any of these events were to occur it could harm our business

Medical manufacturing facilities must maintain records, which are available for FDA inspectors documenting that the appropriate manufacturing procedures were followed.

Should we acquire such a facility as a result of a business combination, the FDA would have authority to conduct inspections of such a facility. Labeling and promotional activities are also subject to scrutiny by the FDA and, in certain instances, by the Federal Trade Commission. Any failure by us to take satisfactory corrective action in response to an adverse inspection or to comply with applicable FDA regulations could result in enforcement action against us, including a public warning letter, a shutdown of manufacturing operations, a recall of our products, civil or criminal penalties or other sanctions. From time to time, the FDA may modify such requirements, imposing additional or different requirements that could require us to alter our business.

#### **Risks Associated with this Offering**

Our existing stockholders paid an aggregate of \$25,000, or approximately \$0.01333 per share, for their founding shares (assuming the underwriters over-allotment is not exercised and 281,250 shares are forfeited) and,

#### accordingly, you will experience immediate and substantial dilution from the purchase of our common stock.

The difference between the public offering price per share of our common stock and the pro forma net tangible book value per share of our common stock after this offering constitutes the dilution to you and the other investors in this offering. The fact that our existing stockholders acquired their shares of common stock at a nominal price has significantly contributed to this dilution. Assuming the offering is completed, you and the other new investors will incur an immediate and substantial dilution of approximately 31.00% or \$2.48 per share (the difference between the pro forma net tangible book value per share of \$5.52 and the initial offering price of \$8.00 per unit).

# Our outstanding warrants may have an adverse effect on the market price of common stock and make it more difficult to effect a business combination.

In connection with this offering and the private placement, as part of the units offered pursuant to this prospectus and the founder warrants issued in the private placement, we will be issuing warrants to purchase an aggregate of 9,300,000 shares of common stock. In addition, we have agreed to sell to the underwriters an option to purchase up to an aggregate of 450,000 units that, if exercised, would result in the issuance of an additional 450,000 units, comprised of 450,000 shares of common stock and 450,000 warrants (assuming the option is not exercised on a cashless basis). We may call the option for redemption, for \$100, if the volume weighted average price of our common stock equals or exceeds \$11.50 per share for any 20 trading days within any 30 trading day period ending three business days before we send the notice of redemption. To the extent we issue shares of common stock to effect a business combination, the potential for the issuance of substantial numbers of additional shares upon exercise of these warrants could make us a less attractive acquisition vehicle in the eyes of a target

business, as such securities, when exercised, will increase the number of issued and outstanding shares of our common stock and reduce the value of the shares issued to complete the business combination. Accordingly, our warrants may make it more difficult to effect a business combination or increase the cost of the target business. Additionally, the sale, or even the possibility of sale, of the shares underlying the warrants could have an adverse effect on the market price for our securities or on our ability to obtain future public financing. If and to the extent these warrants are exercised, you may experience dilution to your holdings.

If our existing stockholders exercise their registration rights, it may have an adverse effect on the market price of our common stock and the existence of these rights may make it more difficult to effect a business combination.

Our existing stockholders are entitled to demand that we register the resale of the shares of common stock they acquired prior to this offering at any time after the date on which their shares are released from escrow, which, except in limited circumstances, will occur upon the expiration of one year after a business combination is completed or any time after six months from the consummation of a business combination, if the volume weighted average price of our common stock equals or exceeds \$11.50 per share for any 20 trading days within a 30 trading day period. Furthermore, they are entitled to demand the registration of the securities underlying the 1,800,000 founder warrants at any time after the date on which the warrants are released from escrow, which, except in limited circumstances, will occur upon the expiration of six months after the completion of a business combination. If our existing stockholders exercise their registration rights with respect to all of their shares of common stock and warrants, then there will be an additional 3,675,000 shares (after giving effect to the forfeiture of 281,250 shares of common stock by our existing stockholders to the extent that the underwriters over-allotment option is not exercised) of common stock eligible for trading in the public market (assuming no exercise of the underwriters over-allotment option and the warrants are not exercised on a cashless basis). The presence of these additional securities eligible for trading in the public market may have an adverse effect on the market price of our common stock. In addition, the existence of these rights may make it more difficult to effect a business combination or increase the cost of the target business, as the stockholders of the target business may be discouraged from entering into a business combination with us or request a higher price for their securities as a result of these registration rights and the potential future effect their exercise may have on the trading market for our common stock.

There is currently no market for our securities and a market for our securities may not develop, which could adversely affect the liquidity and price of our securities.

There is no market for our securities. Therefore, stockholders should be aware that they cannot benefit from information about prior market history as to their decisions to invest which means they are at further risk if they invest. In addition, the price of the securities, after the offering, can vary due to general economic conditions and forecasts, our general business condition and the release of our financial reports.

The American Stock Exchange may delist our securities, which could limit investor s ability to make transactions in our securities and subject us to additional trading restrictions.

We intend to apply to list our securities on the American Stock Exchange, a national securities exchange, upon consummation of this offering. We cannot assure you that our securities, once listed, will continue to be listed on the American Stock Exchange. Additionally, in connection with our business combination, it is likely that the American Stock Exchange may require us to file a new initial listing application and meet its initial listing requirements as opposed to its more lenient continued listing requirements. We cannot assure you that we will be able to meet those initial listing requirements at the time of our business combination. If the American Stock Exchange delists our securities from trading on it exchange, we could face significant consequences including:

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reduced liquidity with respect to our securities;

a determination that our common stock is a	penny stock	which will require b	rokers trading in our	common stock to
adhere to more stringent rules and possibly r	esult in a redu	ced level of trading a	ctivity in the seconda	ry trading market
for our common stock;				

limited amount of news and analyst coverage for our company; and

a decreased ability to issue additional securities or obtain additional financing in the future

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If our common stock becomes subject to the SEC s penny stock rules, broker-dealers may experience difficulty in completing customer transactions and trading activity in our securities may be adversely affected.

If at any time we have net tangible assets of \$5,000,000 or less and our common stock has a market price per share of less than \$5.00, transactions in our common stock may be subject to the penny stock rules promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Under these rules, broker-dealers who recommend such securities to persons other than institutional accredited investors must:

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make a special written suitability determination for the purchaser;

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receive the purchaser s written agreement to a transaction prior to sale;

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provide the purchaser with risk disclosure documents that identify certain risks associated with investing in penny stocks and that describe the market for these penny stocks, as well as a purchaser s legal remedies; and

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obtain a signed and dated acknowledgment from the purchaser demonstrating that the purchaser has actually received the required risk disclosure document before a transaction in penny stock can be completed.

If our common stock becomes subject to these rules, broker-dealers may find it difficult to effect customer transactions and trading activity in our securities may be adversely affected. As a result, the market price of our securities may be depressed, and you may find it more difficult to sell our securities.

If we are deemed to be an investment company, we may be required to institute burdensome compliance requirements and our activities may be restricted, which may make it difficult for us to complete a business combination.

In order not to be regulated as an investment company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, or the 1940 Act, unless we can qualify for an exclusion, we must ensure that we are engaged primarily in a business other than investing, reinvesting or trading of securities and that our activities do not include investing, reinvesting, owning, holding or trading investment securities. Our business will be to identify and consummate a business combination and thereafter to operate the acquired business or businesses. We will invest the funds in the trust account only in treasury bills issued by the United States having a maturity of 180 days or less or in money market funds meeting the criteria under Rule 2a-7 under the 1940 Act until we use them to complete a business combination. By limiting the investment of the funds to these instruments, we believe that we will not be considered an investment company under the 1940 Act. This offering is not intended for persons who are seeking a return on investments in these types of instruments. The trust account and the purchase of government securities for the trust account is intended as a holding place for funds pending the earlier to occur of either: (i) the consummation of our primary business objective, which is a business combination, or (ii) absent a business combination, our dissolution, liquidation and distribution of our assets, including the proceeds held in the trust account, as part of our plan of dissolution and liquidation. If we fail to invest the proceeds as described above or if we cease to be primarily engaged in our business as set forth above (for instance, if our stockholders do not approve a plan of dissolution and liquidation and the funds remain in the trust account for an indeterminable amount of time), we may be considered to be an investment company and thus be required to comply with the 1940 Act.

If we are deemed to be an investment company under the 1940 Act, our activities may be restricted, including:

restrictions on the nature of our investments; and

restrictions on the issuance of securities, each of which may make it difficult for us to consummate a business combination.

We would also become subject to burdensome regulatory requirements, including reporting, record keeping, voting, proxy and disclosure requirements and the costs of meeting these requirements would reduce the funds we have available outside the trust account to consummate a business combination.

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Because we may acquire a company located outside of the United States, we may be subject to various risks of the foreign jurisdiction in which we ultimately operate.

If we acquire a business that has operations outside the United States, we will be exposed to risks that could negatively impact our future results of operations following a business combination. The additional risks to which we may be exposed in any such case include but are not limited to:

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tariffs and trade barriers;
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regulations related to customs and import/export matters;
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tax issues, such as tax law changes and variations in tax laws as compared to the United States;
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cultural and language differences;
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an inadequate banking system;
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foreign exchange controls;
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restrictions on the repatriation of profits or payments of dividends;
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crime, strikes, riots, civil disturbances, terrorist attacks and wars;
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nationalization or expropriation of property;
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law enforcement authorities and courts that are inexperienced in commercial matters; and
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a deterioration of political relations with the United States.

## Foreign currency fluctuations could adversely affect our business and financial results.

A target business with which we combine may do business and generate sales within other countries. Foreign currency fluctuations may affect the costs that we incur in such international operations. It is also possible that some or all of our operating expenses may be incurred in non-U.S. dollar currencies. The appreciation of non-U.S. dollar currencies in those countries where we have operations against the U.S. dollar would increase our costs and could harm our results of operations and financial condition.

#### CAUTIONARY NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

The statements contained in this prospectus that are not purely historical are forward-looking statements. Our forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements regarding our management s expectations, hopes, beliefs, intentions or strategies regarding the future. In addition, any statements that refer to projections, forecasts or other characterizations of future events or circumstances, including any underlying assumptions, are forward-looking statements. The words anticipates, believe, continue, could, estimate, expect, intends, m plan, possible, potential, predicts, project, should, would and similar expressions may identify forward-look statements, but the absence of these words does not mean that a statement is not forward-looking. Forward-looking statements in this prospectus may include, for example, statements about our:

plan, possible, potential, predicts, project, should, would and similar expressions may identify for statements, but the absence of these words does not mean that a statement is not forward-looking. Forward-looking statements in this prospectus may include, for example, statements about our:
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ability to complete a combination with one or more target businesses;
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success in retaining or recruiting, or changes required in, our officers, key employees or directors following a business combination;
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executive officers and directors allocating their time to other businesses and potentially having conflicts of interest with our business or in approving a business combination, as a result of which they would then receive expense reimbursements and their shares of common stock would become eligible for later release from escrow;
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potential inability to obtain additional financing to complete a business combination;
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limited pool of prospective target businesses;
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securities ownership being concentrated;
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potential change in control if we acquire one or more target businesses for stock;
risks associated with operating in the healthcare industry;
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public securities limited liquidity and trading, as well as the current lack of a trading market; and

use of proceeds not in trust or available to us from interest income, net of income taxes, on the trust account balance, and our financial performance following this offering.

The forward-looking statements contained in this prospectus are based on our current expectations and beliefs concerning future developments and their potential effects on us. There can be no assurance that future developments affecting us will be those that we have anticipated. These forward-looking statements involve a number of risks, uncertainties (some of which are beyond our control) or other assumptions that may cause actual results or performance to be materially different from those expressed or implied by these forward-looking statements. These risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, those factors described under the heading Risk Factors. Should one or more of these risks or uncertainties materialize, or should any of our assumptions prove incorrect, actual results may vary in material respects from those projected in these forward-looking statements. We undertake no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as may be required under applicable securities laws and/or if and when management knows or has a reasonable basis on which to conclude that previously disclosed projections are no longer reasonably attainable.

# **USE OF PROCEEDS**

We estimate that the net proceeds of this offering and the private placement will be as set forth in the following table:

	Without Over- Allotment Option		Over- Allotment Option Exercised	
Gross proceeds				
Offering gross proceeds	\$	60,000,000	\$	69,000,000
Gross proceeds from private placement of founder warrants		1,800,000		1,800,000
Total gross proceeds	\$	61,800,000	\$	70,800,000
Offering and private placement expenses(1)				
Underwriting discounts and commissions (7% of offering gross proceeds)(2)	\$	4,200,000	\$	4,830,000
Legal fees and expenses		350,000		350,000
Miscellaneous expenses		91,400		91,400
Printing and engraving expenses		65,000		65,000
Accounting fees and expenses		50,000		50,000
SEC registration fees		17,100		17,100
NASD registration fees		16,500		16,500
AMEX listing fee		70,000		70,000
Total offering expenses	\$	4,860,000	\$	5,490,000
Proceeds after non-deferred offering and private placement				
expenses	\$	56,940,000	\$	65,310,000
Deferred underwriting discounts and commissions held in trust	\$	1,800,000	\$	2,070,000
Adjusted proceeds after offering expenses	\$	58,740,000	\$	67,380,000
Total net proceeds not held in trust	\$	50,000	\$	50,000
Total net proceeds held in trust	\$	58,690,000	\$	67,330,000
Percentage of offering gross proceeds held in trust		97.8 % 97		97.6 %
Use of net proceeds not held in trust and \$1,600,000 of the interest income earned on the trust account (net of taxes payable) that will be released to us				
Legal, accounting and other expenses attendant to the structuring and negotiation of a business combination and the preparation and filing of the related proxy statement		525,000		32 %
Payment for office space and administrative and support services				
(\$7,500 per month for up to two years)		180,000		11 %
Due diligence of prospective target businesses		350,000		21 %
Miscellaneous fees		145,000		9 %

Working capital to cover miscellaneous expenses including D&O		
insurance and other insurance and possible dissolution expenses(3)	450,000	27 %
Total	1,650,000	100 %

(1)

A portion of the offering and private placement expenses have been paid from the funds we received from our existing stockholders, as described below. These funds will be repaid upon consummation of this offering out of the proceeds of this offering.

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The amount of deferred underwriting discounts and the amount held in trust includes \$1,800,000 (or \$2,070,000 if the underwriters over-allotment option is exercised in full) that will be paid to the underwriters only upon consummation of the initial business combination and will not be available for use to acquire an operating business.

(3)

The miscellaneous fees and expenses may include, without limitation, potential deposits, down payments, exclusivity fees, finder s fees, or similar fees or compensation, reserves, costs and expenses associated with our dissolution and liquidation and costs for possible repurchase of dividend shares from existing stockholders.

We intend to use the proceeds from the sale of the units to acquire one or more operating businesses in the healthcare industry.

Of the net proceeds from this offering and the private placement, \$58,690,000 (or \$67,330,000 if the underwriters over-allotment option is exercised in full), of which \$1,800,000 (or \$2,070,000 if the underwriters over-allotment option is exercised in full) is attributable to the deferred underwriter s discounts and commissions, will be placed in a trust account at J.P. Morgan Chase N.A., maintained by Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company, acting as trustee, and invested by Morgan Stanley. Except for interest income released to us, net of income taxes, the proceeds will not be released from the trust account until the earlier of the completion of a business combination or our dissolution. All amounts held in the trust account that are not converted to cash or released to us as interest income, net of income taxes, will be released on closing of our initial business combination with one or more target businesses which have a fair market value equal to at least 80% of our net assets (excluding deferred underwriting discounts and commissions of \$1,800,000 (or \$2,070,000 if the underwriters over-allotment option is exercised in full) at the time of such business combination, subject to a majority of our public stockholders voting in favor of the business combination and less than 30% of the public stockholders voting against the business combination and exercising their conversion rights. Following release from the trust account of \$1,600,000 of the interest income, net of taxes payable on such interest, on the trust account balance that we may use for working capital requirements and after payment of the conversion price to any public stockholders who exercise their conversion rights, the underwriters will receive their deferred underwriting fee discount equal to 3% of the gross proceeds of the offering, and the remaining funds will be released to us and can be used to pay all or a portion of the purchase price of the business or businesses with which our initial combination occurs. If the business combination is paid for using stock or debt securities, we may apply the cash released to us from the trust account to general corporate purposes, including for maintenance or expansion of operations of the acquired business, the payment of principal or interest due on indebtedness incurred in consummating our initial business combination or for working capital to finance the operations of the target business, which may include subsequent acquisitions. We have agreed to pay Apex Bioventures, LLC, a limited liability company controlled by K. Michael Forrest, our President and Chief Operating Officer and one of our directors, a monthly fee of \$7,500 for general and administrative services, including office space, utilities and secretarial support. We believe that, based on rents and fees for similar services in the San Francisco, California metropolitan area, the fee charged by Apex Bioventures, LLC is at least as favorable as we could have obtained from an unaffiliated third party.

We expect to use capital (approximately \$300,000) for premiums for director and officer liability insurance, with a balance of \$150,000 allocated for other miscellaneous expenses of structuring and negotiating business combinations, and, if necessary, to cover the costs and expenses associated with our dissolution and liquidation (which we estimate will be in the range of \$50,000 to \$75,000). We have allocated \$350,000 for the expenses associated with identifying and performing initial due diligence of prospective acquisition targets. We have further allocated approximately \$525,000 for legal, accounting and other expenses attendant to the due diligence investigations, structuring and negotiation of a business combination and the preparation and filing of the related proxy statement. We expect that due diligence of prospective target businesses will be performed by some or all of our officers and directors and may include engaging market research and valuation firms, as well as other third party consultants. None of our officers, directors or existing stockholders will receive any compensation for their due diligence efforts, other than reimbursement of any out-of-pocket expenses they may incur on our behalf while performing due diligence of prospective target businesses. To the extent such out-of-pocket expenses exceed the available proceeds not deposited in the trust account and interest income, net of income taxes, of \$1,600,000 of the interest earned, net of taxes payable on such interest, that will be released to us from the trust account, such out-of-pocket expenses would not be reimbursed by us unless we consummate a business combination. In addition, although we have no present intention to do so, it is possible that we will in the future find it necessary or desirable to use a portion of these funds to make a down payment or deposit or fund a lock-up or no-shop provision, with respect to a potential business combination. We have not reserved any specific amounts for such payments or fees, which may have the effect of reducing the available proceeds not deposited in the trust account for payment of our ongoing expenses and reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses incurred on our behalf. If we use a significant portion of our funds for such a purpose and we are required to forfeit such funds (whether as a result of our breach of the agreement relating to the original payment or otherwise),

we could, if such payment was large enough and we had already used some or all of the funds allocated to due diligence and related expenses in connection with the aborted transaction, be left with insufficient funds to continue searching for, or to conduct due diligence with respect to, other potential target businesses. In that event, we may be required to liquidate before the completion of a business combination.

Treasure Road Partners, Ltd., a company controlled by Gary E. Frashier and his wife, Giva H. Frashier, Easton Associates, LLC, the largest equity holder of which was Robert J. Easton, and K. Michael Forrest each loaned to us \$75,000 for the payment of offering expenses. In connection with the termination of Mr. Easton s association with Easton Associates, in April 2007, we repaid in full the \$75,000 loaned to us by Easton Associates. Subsequently, Mr. Easton loaned us \$75,000. These non-interest bearing loans will be payable on the earlier of June 15, 2007 or the consummation of this offering. These loans will be repaid out of the proceeds of this offering not held in trust.

The net proceeds of this offering which are held in the trust account will be invested only in United States government securities, defined as any Treasury Bills issued by the United States having a maturity of 180 days or less or in money market funds meeting certain conditions under Rule 2a-7 promulgated under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended so that we are not deemed to be an investment company under the Investment Company Act of 1940. Interest income, net of taxes payable on such interest, of \$1,600,000 of the interest earned on the trust account balance is releasable to us from the trust account to fund our working capital requirements. Following consummation of this offering, we believe the funds available to us outside of the trust account, together with interest income, net of income taxes on such interest, of \$1,600,000 of the interest earned on the balance of the trust account, net of income taxes payable on such interest, to be released to us for working capital requirements, will be sufficient to allow us to operate for at least the next 24 months, assuming a business combination is not completed during that time.

No compensation of any kind, including finder s and consulting fees, will be paid to any of our directors, officers or existing stockholders or any of their affiliates, other than the payment of \$7,500 per month to Apex Bioventures, LLC, a company controlled by K. Michael Forrest, in connection with the general and administrative services arrangement for services rendered to us prior to or in connection with the business combination. However, our directors, officers and existing stockholders will receive reimbursement for any out-of-pocket expenses incurred by them in connection with activities on our behalf, such as participating in the offering process, identifying potential target businesses and performing due diligence on suitable business combinations. Since the role of present management after a business combination is uncertain, we have no ability to determine what remuneration, if any, will be paid to those persons after a business combination. To the extent that our capital stock is used in whole or in part as consideration to effect a business combination, the proceeds held in the trust fund as well as any other net proceeds not expended will be used to finance the operations of the target business.

A public stockholder will be entitled to receive funds from the trust account (including interest earned on his, her or its portion of the trust account, net of taxes payable and interest amounts, net of taxes payable previously released to us from the trust account) only in the event of our dissolution upon our failure to complete a business combination within the allotted time or if that public stockholder were to seek to convert such shares to cash by exercising conversion rights in connection with a business combination which the public stockholder voted against and which we actually consummate. In no other circumstances will a public stockholder have any right or interest of any kind to or in the trust account.

In the event of our dissolution, as described above, our existing stockholders, including our officers and directors will be entitled to receive distributions of our assets, including funds from the trust account, solely with respect to any shares of common stock which they purchased in or following this offering.

#### DIVIDEND POLICY

We have not paid any dividends on our common stock to date and do not intend to pay dividends prior to the completion of a business combination. After we complete a business combination, if ever, the payment of dividends will depend on our revenues and earnings, if any, capital requirements and general financial condition. The payment of dividends after a business combination will be within the discretion of our then board of directors. Our board currently intends to retain any earnings for use in our business operations and, accordingly, we do not anticipate the board declaring any cash dividends in the foreseeable future.

#### **CAPITALIZATION**

The following table sets forth our capitalization at February 28, 2007, and as adjusted to give effect to the sale of our units in this offering and the founder warrants in the private placement and to give effect to a 1 for 1.086956522 reverse stock split effected on April 5, 2007 and the application of the estimated net proceeds derived from the sale of our units in this offering and the founder warrants in the private placement, but does not give effect to an exercise of the underwriters—over-allotment option:

	February 28, 2007			
	Actual		As Adjusted	
Notes payable to existing stockholders(1)	\$	225,000	\$	
Total debt	\$	225,000	\$	
Common stock, \$.0001 par value, 0 and 2,249,999 shares which are subject to possible conversion, shares at conversion value			\$	17,594,992
Stockholders equity:				
Preferred stock, \$.0001 par value, 1,000,000 shares authorized; none issued or outstanding				
Common stock, \$.0001 par value, 60,000,000 shares authorized; 2,156,250 shares issued and outstanding; 7,125,001 shares issued and outstanding (excluding 2,249,999 shares subject to possible conversion),				
as adjusted(2)		216		713
Additional paid-in capital(3)		24,784		39,369,295
Deficit accumulated during the development stage		(56,649)		(56,649)
Total stockholders equity (deficiency)	\$	(31,649)	\$	39,313,359
Total capitalization	\$	193,351	\$	56,908,351

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The notes payable are comprised of promissory notes totaling \$75,000 issued to each of K. Michael Forrest, Robert J. Easton and Treasure Road Partners, Ltd., a company controlled by Gary E. Frashier and his wife, Giva H. Frashier. The promissory notes are due at the earlier of June 15, 2007 or the closing of this offering.

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Assuming no exercise of the underwriters over-allotment option, and after giving effect to the forfeiture of 281,250 shares of common stock by our existing stockholders as a result of the underwriters not exercising their over-allotment option.

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Includes an aggregate of \$1,800,000 payable immediately prior to this offering by officers, directors and existing stockholders for the purchase in a private placement of \$1,800,000 founder warrants.

If we consummate a business combination, the conversion rights afforded to our public stockholders, other than our existing stockholders, may result in the conversion into cash of up to approximately 29.99% of the aggregate number of shares sold in this offering at a per share conversion price equal to the aggregate amount then on deposit in the trust account, before payment of deferred underwriting discounts and commissions, and including any interest earned on their pro rata share, net of taxes payable on such interest, and net of interest income (less taxes payable on such interest) of up to \$1,600,000 of the interest income on the trust account balance accrued and reserved or released to us to fund working capital requirements, as of two business days prior to the proposed consummation of a business combination, divided by the number of shares sold in this offering (initially, approximately \$7.82 per share).

## **DILUTION**

The difference between the public offering price per share of our common stock, assuming no value is attributed to the warrants included in the units, and the pro forma net tangible book value per share of our common stock after this offering and the private placement constitutes the dilution to investors in this offering and the private placement. Net tangible book value per share is determined by dividing our net tangible book value, which is our total tangible assets less total liabilities (including the value of common stock which may be redeemed for cash), by the number of outstanding shares of our common stock.

At February 28, 2007, after giving effect to a 1 for 1.086956522 reverse stock split effected on April 5, 2007, our net tangible book value was a deficiency of (\$361,338) or approximately \$(0.19) per share of common stock. After giving effect to the sale of 7,500,000 shares of common stock included in the units to be sold in this offering, and the sale of 1,800,000 founder warrants to be sold in the private placement, the deduction of underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated expenses of this offering and the private placement, the reverse stock split and forfeiture of 281,250 shares of common stock by our existing stockholders assuming the underwriters—over-allotment option is not exercised, our pro forma net tangible book value (as decreased by the value of 2,249,999 shares of common stock which may be converted to cash) at February 28, 2007 would have been approximately \$39,313,359 or \$5.52 per share, representing an immediate increase in net tangible book value of \$5.71 per share to the existing stockholders and an immediate dilution of \$2.48 per share, or approximately 31.00% to new investors not exercising their conversion rights.

The following table illustrates the dilution to the new investors on a per-share basis, assuming no value is attributed to the warrants included in the units:

Public offering price		\$ 8.00
Net tangible book value before this offering	\$ (0.19)	
Increase attributable to new investors	5.71	
Pro forma net tangible book value after this		
offering		5.52
Dilution to new investors		\$ 2.48

Our pro forma net tangible book value after this offering is \$17,594,992 less than it otherwise would have been because, if we effect a business combination, the conversion rights of our public stockholders, other than our existing stockholders, may result in the conversion into cash of up to 29.99% of the aggregate number of shares sold in this offering at a per share conversion price equal to the aggregate amount then on deposit in the trust account, before payment of deferred underwriting discounts and commissions, and including any interest earned on their pro rata share, net of taxes payable on such interest, and net of interest income (less taxes payable on such interest) of up to \$1,600,000 of the interest income on the trust account balance accrued and reserved or released to us to fund working capital requirements, as of two business days prior to the proposed consummation of a business combination, divided by the number of shares sold in this offering (initially, approximately \$7.82 per share).

The following table sets forth information with respect to our existing stockholders prior to and after the private placement and the new investors (without giving effect to the exercise of the underwriters—over-allotment option but giving effect to the forfeiture of 281,250 shares of common stock by our existing stockholders):

				Average
Shares 1	Purchased	<b>Total Con</b>	sideration	Price
Number	Percentage	Amount	Percentage	Per Share

Existing					
stockholders	1,875,000	20.0 %	\$ 25,000	0.04 %	\$ 0.01
New investors	7,500,000	80.0 %	\$ 60,000,000	99.96 %	\$ 8.00
	9,375,000	100.0 %	\$ 60,025,000	100.00 %	\$ 6.40

The pro forma net tangible book value after the offering, assuming the underwriters over-allotment option is not exercised, is calculated as follows:

# Numerator:

Net tangible book value before the offering and private placement	\$ (361,338)
Net proceeds from this offering and the private placement	56,940,000
Add: Offering costs paid or accrued and excluded from net tangible book value before	
the offering	329,689
Less: Proceeds held in trust subject to conversion to (\$7.82 x 2,249,999 shares)	(17,594,992)
	\$ 39,313,359
Denominator:	
Shares of common stock outstanding prior to the offering and the private placement(1)	1,875,000
Shares of common stock included in the units offered	7,500,000
Less: Shares subject to conversion	(2,249,999)
	7,125,001

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After giving effect to the forfeiture of 281,250 shares of common stock by our existing stockholders.

# MANAGEMENT S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

We were formed on June 1, 2006, as a blank check company for the purpose of acquiring through a merger, capital stock exchange, asset acquisition, stock purchase or other similar business combination, one or more domestic or foreign operating businesses in the healthcare industry. To date, our efforts have been limited to organizational activities and we do not have any specific merger, capital stock exchange, asset acquisition, stock purchase or other business combination transaction under consideration and neither we nor any representative acting on our behalf has had any contacts or discussions with any target business with respect to such a transaction. We intend to utilize cash derived from the proceeds of this offering, our capital stock, debt or a combination of cash, capital stock and debt, in effecting a business combination. The issuance of additional shares of our capital stock:

may significantly reduce the equity interest of our stockholders;

will likely cause a change in control if a substantial number of our shares of common stock are issued, which may affect, among other things, our ability to use our net operating loss carry forwards, if any, and may also result in the resignation or removal of one or more of our present officers and directors; and

may adversely affect prevailing market prices for our common stock.

Similarly, if we issued debt securities, it could result in:

default and foreclosure on our assets if our operating revenues after a business combination were insufficient to pay our debt obligations;

acceleration of our obligations to repay the indebtedness even if we have made all principal and interest payments when due if the debt security contained covenants that required the maintenance of certain financial ratios or reserves and any such covenant were breached without a waiver or renegotiation of that covenant;

our immediate payment of all principal and accrued interest, if any, if the debt security was payable on demand; and

our inability to obtain additional financing, if necessary, if the debt security contained covenants restricting our ability to obtain additional financing while such security was outstanding.

**Results of Operations and Known Trends or Future Events** 

We have neither engaged in any operations nor generated any revenues to date. Our entire activity since inception has been to prepare for our proposed fundraising through an offering, and concurrent private placement, of our equity securities. Following this offering, we will not generate any operating revenues until after completion of a business combination. We will generate non-operating income in the form of interest income on cash and cash equivalents after this offering. Immediately after the offering, we will begin paying monthly fees of \$7,500 per month to Apex Bioventures, LLC, a company controlled by K. Michael Forrest, for administrative services, and expect to incur increased expenses as a result of being a public company (for legal, financial reporting, accounting and auditing compliance), as well as for due diligence expenses. We expect our expenses to increase substantially after the closing of this offering.

# **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

Our liquidity needs have been satisfied to date through receipt of \$25,000 in stock issuances from our existing stockholders and a loan of \$225,000 as more fully described below.

We estimate that the net proceeds from (i) the sale of the units in this offering, after deducting offering expenses of approximately \$660,000 and underwriting discounts and commissions of approximately \$4,200,000 (or \$4,830,000, if the underwriters over-allotment option is exercised in full) and (ii) the sale of founder warrants in a private placement to occur immediately prior to the closing of this offering for an aggregate purchase price of \$1,800,000, will be approximately \$56,940,000 (or \$65,310,000 if the underwriters over-allotment option is exercised in full). An additional amount equal to 3% of the gross proceeds of this offering, or \$1,800,000 (or \$2,070,000 if the underwriters over-allotment option is exercised in full), will be held in trust and be used to pay the underwriters a deferred fee upon the consummation of our initial business combination, and will not be available for

our use to acquire an operating business. Of these amounts, a total of \$58,690,000 (or \$67,330,000, if the underwriters over-allotment option is exercised in full), will be held in the trust account and the remaining \$50,000, in either case, will not be held in the trust account. We expect that most of the proceeds held in the trust account will be used as consideration to pay the sellers of a target business or businesses with which we ultimately complete a business combination. We will use substantially all of the net proceeds of this offering not in trust to acquire a target business, including identifying and evaluating prospective acquisition candidates, selecting the target business, and structuring, negotiating and consummating the business combination. To the extent that our capital stock is used in whole or in part as consideration to effect a business combination, the proceeds held in the trust account as well as any other net proceeds not expended will be used to finance the operations of the target business.

We believe that, upon consummation of this offering and the private placement, the funds available to us outside of the trust account, together with interest income, net of income taxes payable on such interest, of \$1,600,000 of the interest, net of taxes payable on such interest, on the balance of the trust account which will be released to us for working capital requirements, will be sufficient to allow us to operate for at least the next 24 months, assuming that a business combination is not consummated during that time. Over this time period, we anticipate making the following expenditures:

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approximately \$350,000 of expenses for identifying and performing initial due diligence of prospective acquisition targets;

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approximately \$525,000 of expenses for legal, accounting and other expenses attendant to the due diligence investigations, structuring and negotiation of a business combination;

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approximately \$145,000 of miscellaneous expenses, including legal and accounting fees relating to our SEC reporting obligations;

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approximately \$180,000 of expenses in fees relating to our office space and certain general and administrative services; and

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approximately \$450,000 for general working capital that will be used for other expenses, including approximately \$300,000 for director and officer liability insurance and other insurance premiums, and costs and expenses associated with a dissolution and liquidation (which we estimate will be in the range of \$50,000 to \$75,000), if necessary, and reserves.

We do not believe we will need additional financing following this offering in order to meet the expenditures required for operating our business prior to our initial business combination. However, we are relying on interest earned (\$1,600,000 of the interest earned net of taxes payable on such interest) on the trust account to fund such expenditures and to the extent that the interest earned is below our expectation, we may have insufficient funds available to operate our business prior to our initial business combination.

Moreover, we will need to obtain additional financing to the extent such financing is required to consummate a business combination or because we become obligated to convert into cash a significant number of shares from dissenting stockholders, in which case we may issue additional securities or incur debt in connection with such business combination. Following a business combination, if cash on hand is insufficient, we may need to obtain additional financing in order to meet our obligations.

# **Related Party Transactions**

Our officers, directors and existing stockholders have agreed to purchase from us an aggregate of 1,800,000 founder warrants, at a purchase price of \$1.00 per warrant, in a private placement that will occur immediately prior to this offering. The aggregate proceeds from the private placement will be added to the proceeds from this offering to be held in the trust account pending our completion of a business combination. If we do not complete a business combination that meets the criteria described in this prospectus, then the amount held in the trust account, including the proceeds from the private placement, will become part of the distribution of our assets to our public stockholders upon our dissolution, and the founder warrants will expire worthless. The founder warrants have terms and provisions that are identical to the warrants included in the units offered pursuant to this prospectus, except that the founder warrants will be non-redeemable and can be exercised on a cashless basis as long as our officers, directors and existing stockholders (or the permitted transferees described below) hold such warrants. In addition, the founder warrants purchased in the private placement will not be transferable or salable by our officers, directors and existing stockholders until six months after the consummation of a business combination, except that a purchaser of founder

warrants that is an entity may transfer the founder warrants to persons or entities that are controlling, controlled by, or under common control with such entity, or to any stockholder, member, partner or limited partner of such entity, and a purchaser of founder warrants that is an individual may transfer founder warrants to family members and trusts for estate planning purposes, or, upon death, to an estate of beneficiaries.

Treasure Road Partners, Ltd., a company controlled by Gary E. Frashier and his wife, Giva H. Frashier, Easton Associates, LLC, the largest equity holder of which was Robert J. Easton, and K. Michael Forrest have each loaned to us \$75,000 for the payment of offering expenses. In connection with the termination of Mr. Easton s association with Easton Associates, in April 2007, we repaid in full the \$75,000 loaned to us by Easton Associates. Subsequently, Mr. Easton loaned us \$75,000. These non-interest bearing loans will be payable on the earlier of June 15, 2007 or the consummation of this offering. These loans will be repaid out of the proceeds used to pay the offering expenses.

## **Option Grants**

Upon the consummation of this offering, we have agreed to sell to the underwriters, for \$100, an option to purchase up to a total of 450,000 units at a price of \$10.00 per unit. The option can be exercised on a cashless basis. We may call the option for redemption, for \$100, if the volume weighted average price of our common stock equals or exceeds \$11.50 per share for any 20 trading days within any 30 trading day period ending three business days before we send the notice of redemption. The units issuable upon exercise of this option are identical to those offered by this prospectus.

We intend to account for the fair value of the option, inclusive of the receipt of the \$100 cash payment, as an expense of the offering resulting in a charge directly to stockholders—equity and a credit to paid-in capital, and, accordingly, there will be no net impact on our financial position or results of operations, except for recording the receipt of the \$100 payment at the time of the sale of the option. We estimate that the fair value of this option is approximately \$1.35 million using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model. The fair value of the option is estimated using the following assumptions: (1) expected volatility of 43%, (2) a risk-free interest rate of 4.75% and (3) a contractual life of five years. However, because the units do not have a trading history, the expected volatility is based on information currently available to management. The expected volatility was derived based on the actual volatilities of other similarly structured blank-check companies. The assumption of a contractual life of five years is based on the maximum term during which the option may be exercisable, and during which the option may be sold, assigned, pledged or hypothecated, other than to any underwriters and selected dealer participating in the offering and their bona fide officers or partners. Although an expected life of five years was used in the calculation of the fair value of the option if we do not consummate a business combination within the prescribed time period and we liquidate, the option will become worthless.

## **Controls and Procedures**

We do not currently, and are not required to, maintain an effective system of internal controls as defined by Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. We will be required to comply with the internal control requirements of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2007. As of the date of this prospectus, we have not completed an assessment, nor have our auditors tested our systems, of internal control. We expect that we will assess the internal controls of our target business or businesses preceding the completion of a business combination and will then implement a schedule for implementation and testing of such additional controls as we may determine are required to state that we maintain an effective system of internal controls. A target business may not be in compliance with the provisions of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act regarding the adequacy of its internal controls. Many small and mid-sized target businesses we consider for a business combination may have internal controls that need improvement in areas such as:

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staffing for financial, accounting and external reporting areas, including segregation of duties;
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reconciliation of accounts;
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proper recordation of expenses and liabilities in the period to which they relate;
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proof of internal review and approval of accounting items;
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documentation of key accounting assumptions, estimates and/or conclusions; and
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documentation of accounting policies and procedures.

Because it will take time, management involvement and perhaps outside resources to determine what internal control improvements are necessary for us to meet regulatory requirements and market expectations for our operation of a target business, we may incur significant expense in meeting our public reporting responsibilities, particularly in the areas of designing, enhancing, or remediating internal and disclosure controls. Doing so effectively may also take longer than we expect, thus increasing our exposure to financial fraud or erroneous financial reporting.

Once our management s report on internal controls is complete, we will retain our independent auditors to assess management s report on internal controls and to render an opinion on such report when required by Section 404. Additional matters concerning a target business s internal controls may be identified in the future when the assessment and testing is performed.

# **Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk**

The net proceeds of this offering, including amounts in the trust account, will be invested in U.S. government treasury bills with a maturity of 180 days or less or in money market funds meeting certain conditions under Rule 2a-7 promulgated under the Investment Company Act. Due to the short-term nature of these investments, we believe there will be no associated material exposure to interest rate risk.

# Off-balance Sheet Arrangements; Commitments and Contractual Obligations; Quarterly Results

As of February 28, 2007, we did not have any off-balance sheet arrangements as defined in Item 303(a)(4)(ii) of Regulation S-K and did not have any commitments or contractual obligations. No unaudited quarterly operating data is included in this prospectus as we have conducted no operations to date.

## PROPOSED BUSINESS

## Introduction

We are a blank check company organized under the laws of the State of Delaware on June 1, 2006. We were formed to acquire, through a merger, capital stock exchange, asset acquisition, stock purchase or other similar business combination, one or more domestic or foreign operating businesses in the healthcare industry. To date, our efforts have been limited to organizational activities. We do not have any specific business combination under consideration, nor have we had any discussions with any target business regarding a possible business combination.

## **Healthcare Industry**

Healthcare represents a large and expanding sector of the United States economy. According to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, or CMS, the healthcare industry is one of the largest segments of the U.S. economy, with total U.S. healthcare expenditures in 2004 of nearly \$1.9 trillion, or approximately \$6,300 per person, which accounted for 16% of the 2004 U.S. gross domestic product, or GDP. From 2004 to 2015, national healthcare spending is anticipated to grow 7.2% per year on average, reaching approximately \$4.0 trillion and 20% of GDP by 2015. The sustained demand for new drugs, medical devices, diagnostic tools and other healthcare products is particularly driven by aging populations and advances in therapeutic options. According to U.S. Census Bureau estimates, approximately 12% of the U.S. population was over 65 in 2004 and was forecasted to account for roughly 20% of the population by 2030.

The industry faces continual changes created by government and private sector financial and regulatory initiatives. U.S. healthcare is characterized by a fragmented provider system, geographic discrepancies in cost and quality, high informational asymmetry, and high costs affecting the workforce. In management s business judgment, growing healthcare sophistication worldwide is also increasing the importance and potential of international markets.

As a result of these dynamics, we expect biotechnology and healthcare innovations to continue to create substantial new profit opportunities for both established and emerging companies. We believe that as a well-capitalized, publicly-traded company, we will have attractive business combination opportunities available to us for several reasons including:

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Lack of alternative financing: In the past few years, institutional venture and angel investors have provided robust funding for new drug candidates, devices, diagnostic tools and other healthcare technologies. This investment has created numerous emerging companies with substantial funding needs that exceed traditional venture capital capacity and with shareholders vitally interested in paths to liquidity. We believe that we will find numerous domestic and foreign companies with interesting product development portfolios that have outgrown their venture backing but cannot today independently access public-market capital.

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Availability of acquisition candidates: Our management believes that, as large pharmaceutical and healthcare products companies continue to reengineer their operating platforms and strategies, they will create spin-off and divestiture opportunities. The universe of potential acquirers or investors in these situations will be limited. As a publicly-traded company with a significant amount of liquidity available to us, we believe we will offer attractive advantages as a potential partner.

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Access to public markets: We will seek to identify interesting companies outside the United States whose strategy requires both investing in a United States presence and raising their visibility through a public listing in the United States markets. As a public company, we will offer such opportunities to potential targets.

Our management believes that many early and some later-stage biotechnology and specialty pharmaceutical companies with great potential often experience difficulties achieving and sustaining scaleable levels of success. In our experience, they can, among other things, be under capitalized, take longer than expected to achieve validating scientific or clinical results or attractive shareholder returns or fail in their first few attempts to achieve mainstream and sustaining adoption of their products. In many instances the underlying technologies within such companies are sound and the reasons for some of the situations can be traced to poor management, faulty clinical trial design, suboptimal regulatory strategies, misdirected interaction with the FDA, faulty marketing planning, poor sales strategies or misfiring on one or more components of their execution strategies. We believe that these companies may be forced to work out of these difficult situations when their investors have lost patience and enthusiasm for their investment, which may result in the loss of institutional support and capital at the most critical and promising time in the life of these companies. These are the types of healthcare companies and products we intend to target for acquisition.

Although we may consider a target business in any segment of the healthcare industry, we intend to concentrate our search for an acquisition candidate or merger partner on companies in the following segments:

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Biotechnology/Life Sciences Biotechnology and life sciences companies seek to develop cutting edge therapies for diseases that are insufficiently treated or have no treatment at all.

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Specialty Pharmaceuticals Specialty pharmaceutical companies focus on improving the performance and extending the lifecycle of existing drugs by finding new uses and improved delivery mechanisms.

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Clinical Diagnostics Clinical diagnostics companies seek to develop new technologies that can be used to both diagnose and provide a value-added role in the treatment of a patient.

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Medical Devices Medical device companies seek to develop innovative devices and minimally-invasive surgical procedures to address unmet clinical needs that cannot be treated by medication alone or at all.

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Genomics and Tools Genomics and tools companies make discoveries that enhance the ability to improve the accuracy of the search for drugs that influence signaling pathways or can inhibit or activate targeted genes or receptors.

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Informatics Informatics companies gather biological, clinical and research data or informatics that can be analyzed and interpreted to better understand the expression, interaction and effect of compounds and aid in the drug development process.

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Healthcare Services Healthcare service companies provide important research, manufacturing and sales services to companies in the biotechnology and pharmaceutical industries.

Through our management and directors (and special advisors, as needed), we believe that we have extensive contacts and sources from which to generate acquisition opportunities in the healthcare industry. These contacts and sources include private equity and venture capital funds, public and private companies, investment bankers, attorneys and accountants. We expect that, from time to time, one of these contacts or sources will advise either our management, directors or special advisors of the existence of one or more potential acquisition candidates or that potential acquisition candidates will become known to our management team, directors or special advisors through their other business activities. Our management will evaluate these leads and determine whether to pursue discussions with any of these candidates.

While we may seek to effect a business combination with more than one domestic or foreign target business, which may be in different sectors, our initial business acquisition must be with one or more operating businesses whose fair market value is, either individually or collectively, equal to at least 80% of our net assets at the time of such acquisition. We do not have any specific business combination under consideration, and neither we, nor any representative acting on our behalf, have had any contacts with any target businesses regarding a business combination, nor taken any direct or indirect actions to locate or search for a target business regarding a business combination. However, there is no limitation on our ability to seek to obtain additional funds through the private sale of securities or the incurrence of indebtedness that would enable us to effect a business combination with a target company having a fair market value in excess of 80% of our net assets at the time of acquisition. We have not entered into any such financing arrangements or had discussions with any third party with respect to any such financing arrangements and cannot assure you that we would be able to obtain such financing arrangements on terms acceptable to us, or at all.

We will strive to maintain systematic, disciplined screening of opportunities in order to focus our work on selected high-quality situations where we hope to enjoy a competitive advantage as a result of our structure.

## **Government Regulations**

The healthcare industry is highly regulated, and the federal and state laws that may affect our business following a business combination could be significant. The federal and state governments regulate the healthcare industry extensively including through the Medicare and Medicaid government payment programs, each of which is financed, at least in part, with federal money. State jurisdiction is based upon the state s authority to license certain categories of healthcare professionals and providers and the state s interest in regulating the quality of healthcare in the state, regardless of the source of payment. The significant areas of federal and state regulatory laws that could affect our ability to conduct our business following a business combination could include, among others, those regarding:

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False and other improper claims for payment. The government may fine a provider if it knowingly submits, or participates in submitting, any claim for payment to the federal government that is false or fraudulent, or that contains false or misleading information.

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Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act. Laws designed to combat fraud against any healthcare benefit programs for theft or embezzlement involving healthcare, as well as providing various privacy rights to patients and customers.

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*Anti-kickback laws*. Federal and state anti-kickback laws make it a felony to knowingly and willfully offer, pay, solicit or receive any form of remuneration in exchange for referrals or recommendations regarding services or products.

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The Stark Self-Referral Law and other laws prohibiting self-referral and financial inducements. Laws that limit the circumstances under which physicians who have a financial relationship with a company may refer patients to such company for the provision of certain services.

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Corporate practice of medicine. Many states have laws that prohibit business corporations from practicing medicine, employing physicians to practice medicine, exercising control over medical decisions by physicians, or engaging in certain arrangements, such as fee-splitting, with physicians.

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Antitrust laws. Wide range of laws that prohibit anticompetitive conduct among separate legal entities in the healthcare industry.

A violation of any of these laws could result in civil and criminal penalties, the requirement to refund monies paid by government and/or private payors, exclusion from participation in Medicare and Medicaid programs and/or the loss of licensure. Following a business combination, our management intends to exercise care in structuring our arrangements and our practices to comply with applicable federal and state laws. However, we can not assure you that our

management will be successful in complying with all applicable laws and regulations. If we have been found to have violated any rules or regulations that could adversely affect our business and operations, the violations may delay or impair our ability to complete a business combination. Additionally, the laws in the healthcare industry are subject to change, interpretation and amendment, which could adversely affect our ability to conduct our business following a business combination.

# **Effecting a Business Combination**

#### General

We are not presently engaged in, and we will not engage in, any substantive commercial business for an indefinite period of time following this offering. We intend to utilize cash derived from the proceeds of this offering, our capital stock, debt or a combination of these in effecting a business combination. Although substantially all of the net proceeds of this offering are intended to be generally applied toward effecting a business combination as described in this prospectus, the proceeds are not otherwise being designated for any more specific purposes. Accordingly, prospective investors will invest in us without an opportunity to evaluate the specific merits or risks of any one or more business combinations. A business combination may involve the acquisition of, or merger with, a company which does not need substantial additional capital but which desires to establish a public trading market for its shares, while avoiding what it may deem to be adverse consequences of undertaking a public offering itself.

These include time delays, significant expense, loss of voting control and compliance with various Federal and state securities laws. In the alternative, we may seek to consummate a business combination with a company that may be financially unstable or in its early stages of development or growth. While we may seek to effect business combinations with more than one target business, it is likely that we will have the ability to initially complete only a single business combination, although this may entail the simultaneous acquisitions of several operating businesses at the same time.

## We have not identified a target business

To date, we have not selected any target business with which to seek a business combination. None of our officers, directors, promoters or other affiliates is currently engaged in discussions on our behalf with representatives of other companies regarding the possibility of a potential merger, capital stock exchange, asset acquisition, stock purchase or other similar business combination with us nor have we, nor any of our agents of affiliates, been approached by any candidates (or representative of any candidates) with respect to a possible business combination with our company. Additionally, we have not engaged or retained any agent or other representative to identify or locate any suitable acquisition candidate. We have not established any specific attributes or criteria (financial or otherwise) for prospective target businesses. Finally, we note that there has been no diligence, discussions, negotiations and/or other similar activities undertaken, directly or indirectly, by us, our affiliates or representatives, or by any third party, with respect to a business combination transaction with us.

Subject to the limitation that a target business have a fair market value equal to at least 80% of our net assets (excluding deferred underwriter's discounts and commissions being held in the trust account) at the time of the acquisition, as described below in more detail, we will have virtually unrestricted flexibility in identifying and selecting a prospective domestic or foreign acquisition candidate. Accordingly, there is no basis for investors in this offering to evaluate the possible merits or risks of the target business with which we may ultimately complete a business combination. To the extent we effect a business combination with a financially unstable company or an entity in its early stage of development or growth, including entities without established records of sales or earnings, we may be affected by numerous risks inherent in the business and operations of financially unstable and early stage or potential emerging growth companies. To the extent we effect a business combination with a foreign target business, we may be affected by numerous risks inherent in operating a business in a foreign country. Although our management will endeavor to evaluate the risks inherent in a particular target business, we cannot assure you that we will properly ascertain or assess all significant risk factors.

## Sources of target businesses

We anticipate that target business candidates will be brought to our attention from various unaffiliated sources, including investment bankers, venture capital funds, private equity funds, leveraged buyout funds, management buyout funds and other members of the financial or legal and accounting community who will become aware that we are seeking a business combination partner via public relations and marketing efforts, direct contact by management or other similar efforts, who may present solicited or unsolicited proposals. Any finder or broker would only be paid a fee upon the consummation of a business combination. The fee to be paid to such persons would be a percentage of the fair market value of the transaction with the percentage to be determined in an arms-length negotiation between the finder or broker and us based on market conditions at the time we enter into an agreement with such finder or broker. While we do not presently anticipate engaging the services of any professional firms that specialize in acquisitions on any formal basis, we may decide to engage such firms in the future or we may be approached on an unsolicited basis, in which event their compensation (which would be equal to a percentage of the fair market value of the transaction as agreed upon at the time of such engagement or agreement with a party that brings us an unsolicited proposal, as the case may be) may be paid from the offering proceeds not held in trust. Our officers and directors as well as their affiliates may also bring to our attention target business candidates that they become aware of through their business contacts. While our officers and directors make no commitment as to the amount of time they will spend trying to identify or investigate potential target businesses, they believe that the various relationships they have

developed over their careers together with their direct inquiry, will generate a number of potential target businesses that will warrant further investigation. In no event will we pay any of our existing officers, directors or stockholders or any entity with which they are affiliated any finder s fee or other compensation for services rendered to us prior to or in connection with the consummation of a business combination. In addition, none of our officers, directors or existing stockholders will receive any finder s fee, consulting fees or any similar fees from any person or entity in connection with any business combination involving

us other than any compensation or fees that may be received for any services provided following such business combination.

## Selection of a target business and structuring of a business combination

Subject to the requirement that our initial business combination must be with a target business or businesses with a collective fair market value that is equal to at least 80% of our net assets (excluding deferred underwriter s discounts and commissions being held in the trust account) at the time of such acquisition, our management will have virtually unrestricted flexibility in identifying and selecting a prospective target business. We have not conducted any specific research on the healthcare industry to date nor have we conducted any research with respect to identifying the number and characteristics of the potential acquisition candidates or the likelihood or probability of success of any proposed business combination. Since we have not yet analyzed the businesses available for acquisition and have not identified a target business, we have not established any specific attributes or criteria (financial or otherwise) for the evaluation of prospective target businesses. In evaluating a prospective target business, our management will conduct the necessary business, legal and accounting due diligence on such target business and will consider, among other factors, the following:

earnings and growth potential;
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experience and skill of management and availability of additional personnel;
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capital requirements;
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competitive position;
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financial condition and results of operation;
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barriers to entry into the healthcare industry;
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breadth of services offered;
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degree of current or potential market acceptance of the services;
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regulatory environment of the healthcare industry; and

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costs and timing associated with effecting the business combination.

These criteria are not intended to be exhaustive. Any evaluation relating to the merits of a particular business combination will be based, to the extent relevant, on the above factors as well as other considerations deemed relevant by our management in effecting a business combination consistent with our business objective. In evaluating a prospective target business, we will conduct an extensive due diligence review which will encompass, among other things, meetings with incumbent management, where applicable, and inspection of facilities, as well as review of financial and other information which will be made available to us.

The time and costs required to select and evaluate a target business and to structure and complete the business combination cannot presently be ascertained with any degree of certainty. Any costs incurred with respect to the identification and evaluation of a prospective target business with which a business combination is not ultimately completed will result in a loss to us and reduce the amount of capital available to otherwise complete a business combination. We will not pay any finders or consulting fees to our existing stockholders, or any of their respective affiliates, for services rendered to or in connection with a business combination.

## Fair market value of target business

The initial target business or businesses that we acquire must have a collective fair market value equal to at least 80% of our net assets (excluding deferred underwriter s discounts and commissions being held in the trust account) at the time of such acquisition. In order to consummate such an acquisition, we may issue a significant amount of our debt or equity securities to the sellers of such businesses and/or seek to raise additional funds through a private offering of debt or equity securities. Since we have no specific business combination under consideration, we have not entered into any such fund raising arrangement and have no current intention of doing so. The fair market value of such business will be determined by our board of directors based upon standards generally accepted by the financial community, such as actual and potential sales, earnings and cash flow and book value and the fair market value of comparable businesses.

If our board is not able to independently determine that the target business has a sufficient fair market value (for example, if the financial analysis is too complicated for our board of directors to perform on their own), we will obtain an opinion from an unaffiliated, independent investment banking firm which is a member of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. with respect to the satisfaction of such criteria. Since any opinion, if obtained, would merely state that fair market value meets the 80% of net assets threshold, it is not anticipated that copies of such opinion would be distributed to our stockholders, although copies will be provided to stockholders who request it. If we do obtain the opinion of an investment banking firm, a summary of the opinion will be contained in the proxy statement that will be mailed to stockholders in connection with obtaining approval of the business combination, and the investment banking firm will consent to the inclusion of their report in our proxy statement. In addition, information about how stockholders will be able to obtain a copy of the opinion from us will be contained in the proxy statement. We will not be required to obtain an opinion from an investment banking firm as to the fair market value if our board of directors independently determines that the target business has sufficient fair market value.

# Possible lack of business diversification

While we may seek to effect business combinations with more than one target business, our initial business combination must be with a target business which satisfies the minimum valuation standard at the time of such acquisition, as discussed above. Consequently, it is likely that we will have the ability to affect only one, or perhaps, two business combinations, although this may entail simultaneous acquisitions of several entities at the same time. We may not be able to acquire more than one target business because of various factors, including possible complex domestic or international accounting issues, which would include generating pro forma financial statements reflecting the operations of several target businesses as if they had been combined, and numerous logistical issues, which could include attempting to coordinate the timing of negotiations, proxy statement disclosure and other legal issues and closings with multiple target businesses. In addition, we would also be exposed to the risks that conditions to closings with respect to the acquisition of one or more of the target businesses would not be satisfied bringing the fair market value of the initial business combination below the required fair market value of 80% of net assets threshold. Accordingly, for an indefinite period of time, the prospects for our future viability may be entirely dependent upon the future performance of a single business. Unlike other entities which may have the resources to complete several business combinations of entities operating in multiple industries or multiple areas of a single industry, it is probable that we will not have the resources to diversify our operations or benefit from the possible spreading of risks or offsetting of losses. By consummating a business combination with only a single entity, our lack of diversification may:

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subject us to numerous economic, competitive and regulatory developments, any or all of which may have a substantial adverse impact upon the particular industry in which we may operate subsequent to a business combination; and

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result in our dependency upon the development or market acceptance of a single or limited number of services.

Additionally, since our business combination may entail the simultaneous acquisitions of several entities at the same time and may be with different sellers, we will need to convince such sellers to agree that the purchase of their entities is contingent upon the simultaneous closings of the other acquisitions.

## Limited ability to evaluate the target business s management

Although we expect certain of our management, particularly Mr. Forrest, to remain associated with us following a business combination, it is likely that the management of the target business at the time of the business combination

will remain in place, and we may employ other personnel following the business combination. Although we intend to closely scrutinize the management of a prospective target business when evaluating the desirability of effecting a business combination, we cannot assure you that our assessment of the target business s management will prove to be correct. In addition, we cannot assure you that the future management will have the necessary skills, qualifications or abilities to manage a public company. Furthermore, the future role of our officers and directors, if any, in the target business cannot presently be stated with any certainty. Moreover, our current management will only be able to remain with the combined company after the consummation of a business combination if they are able to negotiate and agree to mutually acceptable employment terms in connection with any such combination, which terms would be disclosed to stockholders in any proxy statement relating to such

transaction. While it is possible that one or more of our directors will remain associated in some capacity with us following a business combination, it is unlikely that any of them will devote their full efforts to our affairs subsequent to a business combination. Moreover, we cannot assure you that our officers and directors will have significant experience or knowledge relating to the operations of the particular target business.

Following a business combination, we may seek to recruit additional managers to supplement the incumbent management of the target business. We cannot assure you that we will have the ability to recruit additional managers, or that additional managers will have the requisite skills, knowledge or experience necessary to enhance the incumbent management.

## Opportunity for stockholder approval of business combination

Prior to the completion of a business combination, we will submit the transaction to our stockholders for approval, even if the nature of the acquisition is such as would not ordinarily require stockholder approval under applicable law. In connection with seeking stockholder approval of a business combination, we will furnish our stockholders with proxy solicitation materials prepared in accordance with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, which, among other matters, will include a description of the operations of the target business and audited historical financial statements of the target business.

In connection with the stockholder vote on our initial business combination, all of our existing stockholders, including all of our officers and directors, have agreed to vote the shares of common stock then owned by them, including any shares of common stock purchased in or following this offering, either for or against the business combination in accordance with the majority of the shares of common stock voted by our public stockholders other than our existing stockholders, officers and directors. We will proceed with the business combination only if a majority of the shares of common stock voted by the holders of the common stock included in the units offered by this prospectus are voted in favor of the business combination and public stockholders owning less than 30% of the shares sold in this offering vote against the business combination and exercise their conversion rights.

Our threshold for conversion rights has been established at 30% in order for our offering to be competitive with other offerings by blank check companies currently in the market. However, a 20% threshold is more typical in offerings of this type. We have increased the conversion threshold from 20% to 30% to reduce the likelihood that a small group of investors holding a large block of our stock will exercise undue influence on the approval process and be able to stop us from completing a business combination that is otherwise approved by a large majority of our public stockholders.

## Conversion rights

At the time we seek stockholder approval of any business combination, we will offer each public stockholder the right to have such stockholder s shares of common stock converted to cash if the stockholder votes against the business combination and the business combination is approved and completed. The actual per share conversion price will be equal to the aggregate number of shares sold in this offering at a per share conversion price equal to the amount then on deposit in the trust account, not including amounts held in respect of deferred underwriting discounts and commissions and including accrued interest (net of \$1,600,000 of the interest income on the trust account balance accrued but reserved or released to us to fund working capital requirements and net of taxes payable on such interest), as of two business days prior to the proposed consummation of a business combination, divided by the number of shares sold in this offering. The initial per-share conversion price would be approximately \$7.82, or \$0.18 less than the per-unit offering price of \$8.00. An eligible stockholder may request conversion at any time after the mailing to our stockholders of the proxy statement and prior to the vote taken with respect to a proposed business combination at a meeting held for that purpose, but the request will not be granted unless the stockholder votes against the business combination and the business combination is approved and completed. If a stockholder votes against the business combination but fails to properly exercise its conversion rights, such stockholder will not have its shares of common stock converted to its pro rata distribution of the trust account. Any request for conversion, once made, may be

withdrawn at any time up to the date of the meeting. It is anticipated that the funds to be distributed to stockholders entitled to convert their shares who elect conversion will be distributed promptly after consummation of a business combination. Public stockholders who convert their stock into their share of the trust account will still have the right to exercise the warrants that they received as part of the units. We will not complete our proposed initial business combination if public stockholders owning 30% or more of the shares sold in this offering exercise their conversion rights.

As the initial conversion price of approximately \$7.82 per share is lower than the \$8.00 per unit offering price and may be less than the market price of the common stock on the date of conversion, there may be a disincentive on the part of public stockholders to exercise their conversion rights.

If our business combination requires us to use substantially all of our cash to pay the purchase price, because we will not know how many stockholders may exercise their conversion rights, we may either need to reserve part of the trust account for possible payment upon such conversion, or we may need to arrange third party financing to help fund our business combination in case a larger percentage of stockholders exercise their conversion rights than we expect. Therefore, we may not be able to consummate a business combination that requires us to use all of the funds held in the trust account as part of the purchase price, or we may end up having to adjust the ratio of cash to stock used as consideration or arrange for third party financing.

## Dissolution and distribution of assets if no business combination

We will promptly initiate procedures for our dissolution and the distribution of our assets, including the funds held in the trust account, to our public stockholders, if we do not effect a business combination within 18 months after consummation of this offering (or within 24 months after the consummation of this offering if a letter of intent, agreement in principle, or definitive agreement has been executed within 18 months after consummation of this offering and the business combination related thereto has not been consummated within such 24-month period). Pursuant to our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation, upon the expiration of such time periods, our purpose and powers will be limited to acts and activities relating to dissolving, liquidating and winding up. Our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation also provides that we must comply with Section 281(b) of the Delaware General Corporation Law, or the DGCL. Section 281(b) requires us to adopt a plan for the distribution of our assets that will provide for the payment to our creditors and potential creditors, based on facts known to us at such time, of (i) all existing claims, (ii) all pending claims and (iii) all claims that may subsequently be brought against us in the subsequent 10 years. The plan will also provide that after reserving amounts sufficient to cover our liabilities and obligations and the costs of dissolution and liquidation, we will distribute our remaining assets, including the amounts held in the trust account, solely to our public stockholders. As discussed below, our dissolution and plan for distribution of our assets will be subject to stockholder approval.

Upon the approval by our stockholders of our dissolution and plan for distribution of our assets, we will liquidate our assets, including the trust account, and after reserving amounts sufficient to cover our liabilities and obligations and the costs of dissolution and liquidation, distribute those assets solely to our public stockholders. Our existing stockholders, including all of our officers and directors, have waived their rights to participate in any liquidating distributions occurring upon our failure to consummate a business combination with respect to those shares of common stock acquired by them prior to completion of this offering, and have agreed to vote all of their shares in favor of any such plan of dissolution and liquidation. We estimate that, in the event we liquidate the trust account, our public stockholders will receive approximately \$7.82 per share, without taking into account interest earned on the trust account (net of taxes payable on such interest). We expect that all costs associated with our dissolution, including payments to any creditors, will be funded by the proceeds of this offering not held in the trust account, although we cannot assure you that those funds will be sufficient for such purposes. If we do not have sufficient funds, the amount distributed to our public stockholders may be less than \$7.82 per share, without taking into account interest earned in the trust account (net of taxes payable on income of the funds in the trust account).

To mitigate the risk of the amounts in the trust account being reduced by the claims of creditors:

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Prior to completion of a business combination, we are obligated to have all vendors, prospective target businesses, or other entities, which we refer to as potential contracted parties or a potential contracted party, execute valid and enforceable agreements with us waiving any right, title, interest, or claim of any kind in or to any monies held in the

trust account for the benefit of our public stockholders. In the event that a potential contracted party were to refuse to execute such a waiver, we will execute an agreement with that entity only if our management first determines that we would be unable to obtain, on a reasonable basis, substantially similar services or opportunities from another entity willing to execute such a waiver. Examples of instances where we may engage a third party that has refused to execute a waiver would be the engagement of a third party consultant whose particular expertise or skills are believed by management to be superior to those of other consultants that would agree to execute a waiver or a situation in which management does not believe it would be able to find a provider of required services similar in talent willing to provide the waiver.

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If we enter into an agreement with a potential contracted party that refuses to execute a valid and enforceable waiver, then our existing stockholders will be personally liable, on a joint and several basis, to cover the potential claims made by such party but only if, and to the extent that, the claims otherwise would reduce the trust account proceeds payable to our public stockholders in the event of a dissolution and liquidation and the claims were made by that party for services rendered or products sold to us or by a prospective acquisition target. However, our existing stockholders will not have any personal liability as to any claimed amounts owed to a third party who executed a waiver (including a prospective acquisition target) or the underwriters.

However, there is no guarantee that vendors, prospective target business, or other entities will execute such agreements, or even if they execute such agreements, that they would be prevented from bringing claims against the trust account, including, but not limited to, fraudulent inducement, breach of fiduciary responsibility and other similar claims, as well as claims challenging the enforceability of the waiver, in each case in order to gain an advantage with a claim against our assets, including the funds held in the trust account.

Further, based on representations made to us by our existing stockholders, we currently believe that they are of substantial means and capable of funding a shortfall in our trust account to satisfy their foreseeable indemnification obligations, but we have not asked them to reserve for such an eventuality. Despite our belief, we cannot assure you that our existing stockholders will be able to satisfy those obligations. The indemnification obligations may be substantially higher than our existing stockholders currently foresee or expect and/or their financial resources may deteriorate in the future. As a result, the steps outlined above may not effectively mitigate the risk of creditors claims reducing the amounts in the trust account.

Creditors may seek to interfere with the distribution of the trust account pursuant to federal or state creditor and bankruptcy laws which could delay the actual distribution of such funds or reduce the amount ultimately available for distribution to our public stockholders. If we are forced to file a bankruptcy case or an involuntary bankruptcy case is filed against us which is not dismissed, the funds held in our trust account will be subject to applicable bankruptcy law, and may be included in our bankruptcy estate and subject to claims of third parties with priority over the claims of our public stockholders. To the extent bankruptcy claims deplete the trust account, we cannot assure you we will be able to return to our public stockholders the liquidation amounts they might otherwise receive.

We will seek stockholder approval for our dissolution and plan for the distribution of our assets. We currently believe that any plan of distribution of our assets subsequent to the expiration of the 18 and 24 month deadlines would proceed in approximately the following manner (subject to our agreement to take earlier action as described below):

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our Board of Directors will, consistent with its obligations described in our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation to dissolve, prior to the passing of such deadline, convene and adopt a specific plan of dissolution and plan for the distribution of our assets, recommending to our stockholders our dissolution and such plan for the distribution of our assets; at such time we will also prepare a preliminary proxy statement setting out such plan as well as the Board s recommendation of such plan;

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upon such deadline (or earlier as described below), we would file our preliminary proxy statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission;

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if the Securities and Exchange Commission does not review the preliminary proxy statement, then, 10 days following the filing date, we will file a definitive proxy statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission and will mail the definitive proxy statement to our stockholders, and 30 days following the mailing, we will convene a meeting of our stockholders, at which they will either approve or reject our plan of dissolution and liquidation; and

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if the Securities and Exchange Commission does review the preliminary proxy statement, we currently estimate that we will receive their comments approximately 30 days following the filing of the preliminary proxy statement. We will mail a definitive proxy statement to our stockholders following the conclusion of the comment and review process (the length of which we cannot predict with any certainty, and which may be substantial) and we will convene a meeting of our stockholders as soon as permitted thereafter.

In addition, if we seek approval from our stockholders to consummate a business combination within 90 days of the expiration of 24 months after the consummation of this offering (assuming that the period in which we need to consummate a business combination has been extended, as provided in our second amended and restated certificate

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of incorporation), the proxy statement related to such business combination will also seek stockholder approval for our dissolution and our board s recommended plan for the distribution of our assets, in the event our stockholders do not approve such business combination. If no proxy statement seeking the approval of our stockholders for a business combination has been filed 30 days prior to the date that is 24 months after the consummation of this offering, our board will, prior to such date, convene, adopt and recommend to our stockholders our dissolution and plan for the distribution of our assets, and on such date file a proxy statement with the SEC seeking stockholder approval for such plan.

In the event that we seek stockholder approval for our dissolution and plan for the distribution of our assets and do not obtain such approval, we will nonetheless continue to take all reasonable actions to obtain stockholder approval for our dissolution. Pursuant to the terms of our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation, our purpose and powers following the expiration of the permitted time periods for consummating a business combination will automatically be limited to acts and activities relating to dissolving and winding up our affairs, including liquidation. The funds held in our trust account may not be distributed except upon our dissolution and, unless and until such approval is obtained from our stockholders, the funds held in our trust account will not be released. Consequently, holders of a majority of our outstanding stock must approve our dissolution in order to receive the funds held in our trust account and the funds will not be available for any other corporate purpose. Our existing stockholders have agreed to vote all the shares of common stock held by them in favor of the dissolution. We cannot assure you that our stockholders will approve our dissolution in a timely manner or will ever approve our dissolution. As a result, we cannot provide investors with assurances of a specific time frame for our dissolution and distribution. Please see the section entitled Risk Factors Under Delaware law, our dissolution requires the approval of the holders of a majority of our outstanding stock, without which we will not be able to dissolve, liquidate, and distribute our assets to our public stockholders.

We expect that our total costs and expenses associated with the implementing and completing our dissolution and plan for the distribution of our assets will be in the range of \$50,000 to \$75,000. This amount includes all costs and expenses related to filing our dissolution in the State of Delaware, the winding up of our company and the costs of a proxy statement and meeting relating to the approval by our stockholders of our plan of dissolution and liquidation. We believe that there should be sufficient funds available from the proceeds not held in the trust account to fund the \$50,000 to \$75,000 of expenses, although we cannot give you assurances that there will be sufficient funds for such purposes.

We cannot assure you that third parties will not seek to recover from the assets distributed to our public stockholders any amounts owed to them by us. Under the DGCL, our stockholders could be liable for any claims against the corporation to the extent of distributions received by them in dissolution. Further, because our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation provides that we distribute our assets in accordance with Section 281(b) rather than Sections 280 and 281(a), any such liability of our stockholders could extend to claims for which an action, suit or proceeding is begun after the third anniversary of our dissolution. The limitations on stockholder liability under the DGCL for claims against a dissolved corporation are determined by the procedures that a corporation follows for distribution of its assets following dissolution. If we complied with the procedures set forth in Sections 280 and 281(a) of the DGCL (which would include, among other things, a 60-day notice period during which any third-party claims can be brought against us, a 90-day period during which we may reject any claims brought, an additional 150-day waiting period before any liquidating distributions are made to stockholders, as well as review by the Delaware Court of Chancery) our stockholders would have no further liability with respect to claims on which an action, suit or proceeding is begun after the third anniversary of our dissolution. However, in accordance with our intention to liquidate and distribute our assets to our stockholders as soon as reasonably possible after dissolution, our second amended and restated certificate of incorporation provides that we will comply with Section 281(b) of the DGCL instead of Sections 280 and 281(a). Accordingly, our stockholders liability could extend to claims for which an action, suit or proceeding is begun after the third anniversary of our dissolution. Because we are a blank check company, rather than an operating company, and our operations will be limited to searching for prospective target businesses to acquire, the most likely claims to arise would be from our vendors (such as accountants, lawyers and investment

bankers). As described above, we are obligated to have all vendors and prospective target businesses execute valid and enforceable agreements with us waiving any right, title, interest, or claim of any kind in or to any monies held in the trust account. As a result, we believe the claims that could be made against us are significantly reduced and the likelihood that any claim that would result in any liability extending to the trust is limited.

## Competition

We intend to concentrate our acquisition process on companies in the healthcare industry. We believe that this focus, together with our management s experience in analyzing, investing in, financing and managing companies in this sector, will provide us with a strong competitive advantage. In particular, we have expertise in assessing the value of intellectual property assets, and in evaluating the operating characteristics of targeted healthcare sector companies. We believe that our expertise in managing and financing companies within the healthcare arena will enable us to identify attractive acquisition opportunities.

We believe that we are well positioned to identify and execute a business combination. The future role of our key personnel following a business combination, however, cannot presently be fully ascertained. Specifically, the members of our current management are not obligated to remain with us subsequent to a business combination, and we cannot assure you that the resignation or retention of our current management will be included as a term or condition in any agreement relating to a business combination. In addition, despite the competitive advantages we believe we enjoy, we remain subject to significant competition.

In identifying, evaluating and selecting a target business, we may encounter intense competition from other entities having a business objective similar to ours. Many of these entities are well established and have extensive experience identifying and effecting business combinations directly or through affiliates. Many of these competitors possess greater technical, human and other resources than us and our financial resources will be relatively limited when contrasted with those of many of these competitors, which may limit our ability to compete in acquiring certain sizable target businesses. This inherent competitive limitation gives others an advantage in pursuing the acquisition of a target business. Further:

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our obligation to seek stockholder approval of a business combination or obtain the necessary financial information to be included in the proxy statement to be sent to stockholders in connection with such business combination may delay or prevent the completion of a transaction;

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our obligation to convert shares of common stock held by our public stockholders into cash in certain instances may reduce the resources available to effect a business combination:

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our outstanding warrants, and the future dilution they potentially represent, may not be viewed favorably by certain target businesses; and

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the requirement to acquire an operating business that has a fair market value equal to at least 80% of our net assets at the time of the acquisition could require us to acquire several companies or closely related operating businesses at the same time, all of which sales would be contingent on the closings of the other sales, which could make it more difficult to consummate the business combination.

Any of these factors may place us at a competitive disadvantage in successfully negotiating a business combination. Our management believes, however, that to the extent that our target business is a privately held entity, our status as a well-financed public entity may give us a competitive advantage over entities having a similar business objective as ours in acquiring a target business with significant growth potential on favorable terms.

If we succeed in effecting a business combination, there will be, in all likelihood, intense competition from competitors of the target business. We cannot assure you that, subsequent to a business combination, we will have the resources or ability to compete effectively.

## **Facilities**

We do not own any real estate or other physical property. Our headquarters are located at 18 Farm Lane, Hillsborough, California 94010. The cost of this space is included in the monthly fee of \$7,500 that, Apex Bioventures, LLC, a company controlled by K. Michael Forrest, will charge us for general and administrative service pursuant to a letter agreement between us and such entity. We believe that our office facilities are suitable and adequate for our business as it is presently conducted.

# **Employees**

We have three executive officers, each of whom is also a member of our board of directors. These individuals are not obligated to contribute any specific number of hours per week and intend to devote only as much time as they deem necessary to our affairs. The amount of time they will devote in any time period will vary based on the availability of suitable target businesses to investigate. We do not intend to have any full time employees prior to the consummation of a business combination.

## **Periodic Reporting and Financial Information**

We have registered our units, common stock and warrants under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and have reporting obligations, including the requirement that we file annual reports with the SEC. In accordance with the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, our annual reports will contain financial statements audited and reported on by our independent accountants.

We will not acquire a target business if audited financial statements based on United States generally accepted accounting principles cannot be obtained for such target business. Additionally, our management will provide stockholders with the foregoing financial information as part of the proxy solicitation materials sent to stockholders to assist them in assessing each specific target business we seek to acquire. Our management believes that the requirement of having available financial information for the target business may limit the pool of potential target businesses available for acquisition.

We will be required to comply with the internal control requirements of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2007. A target company may not be in compliance with the provisions of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act regarding adequacy of their internal controls. The development of the internal controls of any such entity to achieve compliance with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act may increase the time and costs necessary to complete any such acquisition.

# **Legal Proceedings**

To the knowledge of management, there is no litigation currently pending or contemplated against us or any of our officers or directors in their capacity as such.

## **Comparison to Offerings of Blank Check Companies**

The following table compares and contrasts the terms of our offering and the terms of an offering of blank check companies under Rule 419 promulgated by the SEC assuming that the gross proceeds, underwriting discounts and underwriting expenses for the Rule 419 offering are the same as this offering. None of the terms of a Rule 419 offering will apply to this offering.

	Terms of Our Offering	Terms Under a Rule 419 Offering
Escrow of offering proceeds	\$58,690,000 of the proceeds of this offering and the private placement including \$1,800,000 in deferred underwriting discounts and commissions will be deposited into a trust account at J.P. Morgan Chase N.A. maintained by Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company, as Trustee, and invested by Morgan Stanley.	\$50,220,000 of the offering proceeds would be required to be deposited into either an escrow account with an insured depositary institution or in a separate bank account established by a broker-dealer in which the broker-dealer acts as trustee for persons having the beneficial interests in the account.
Investment of net proceeds	The \$58,690,000 held in trust will only be invested in U.S. government securities, defined as any Treasury Bill issued by the United States having a maturity of 180 days or less or money	Proceeds could be invested only in specified securities such as a money market fund meeting conditions of the Investment Company Act or in securities that are direct obligations

market funds meeting certain criteria.

of, or obligations guaranteed as to principal or interest by, the United States.

Limitation on fair value or net assets of target business The initial target business that we acquire must have a fair market value equal to at least 80% of our net assets (excluding deferred underwriting discounts and commissions), at the time of such acquisition.

We would be restricted from acquiring a target business unless the fair value of such business or net assets to be acquired represent at least 80% of the maximum offering proceeds.

**Terms of Our Offering** 

**Terms Under a Rule 419 Offering**