

ALIMERA SCIENCES INC

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**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549
Form 10-Q**

(Mark One)

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2011

or

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from _____ to _____

Commission File Number: 001-34703

Alimera Sciences, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

20-0028718

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

**6120 Windward Parkway, Suite 290
Alpharetta, GA**

(Address of principal executive offices)

30005

(Zip Code)

(678) 990-5740

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer
(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Smaller reporting company

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes No

As of May 4, 2011, there were 31,348,197 shares of the registrant's common stock issued and outstanding.

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BALANCE SHEETS**

	March 31, 2011 (Unaudited)	December 31, 2010
	(In thousands, except share and per share data)	
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 49,457	\$ 28,514
Investments	503	26,330
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	846	1,078
Deferred financing costs	247	272
Total current assets	51,053	56,194
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT at cost less accumulated depreciation	180	220
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 51,233	\$ 56,414
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Accounts payable	\$ 2,013	\$ 1,677
Accrued expenses (Note 5)	1,434	2,731
Outsourced services payable	681	841
Notes payable (Note 7)	1,852	1,157
Capital lease obligations	11	11
Total current liabilities	5,991	6,417
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES:		
Notes payable, net of discount less current portion (Note 7)	4,162	4,767
Other long-term liabilities	15	18
PREFERRED STOCK:		
Preferred stock, \$.01 par value 10,000,000 shares authorized and no shares issued and outstanding at March 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010		
STOCKHOLDERS DEFICIT:		
Common stock, \$.01 par value 100,000,000 shares authorized and 31,333,483 shares issued and outstanding at March 31, 2011 and 100,000,000 shares authorized and 31,255,953 shares issued and outstanding at December 31, 2010	313	313
Additional paid-in capital	233,888	233,338
Common stock warrants	415	415
Accumulated deficit	(193,551)	(188,854)

TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY	41,065	45,212
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY	\$ 51,233	\$ 56,414

See Notes to Financial Statements.

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**ALIMERA SCIENCES, INC.
STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS**

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2011	2010
	(Unaudited)	
	(In thousands, except share and per share data)	
RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT EXPENSES	\$ 1,757	\$ 3,065
GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	1,540	904
MARKETING EXPENSES	1,117	247
OPERATING EXPENSES	4,414	4,216
INTEREST INCOME	12	2
INTEREST EXPENSE	(295)	(474)
DECREASE IN FAIR VALUE OF PREFERRED STOCK CONVERSION FEATURE		3,265
LOSS FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS	(4,697)	(1,423)
INCOME FROM DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS (NOTE 3)		4,000
NET (LOSS) INCOME	(4,697)	2,577
PREFERRED STOCK ACCRETION		(359)
PREFERRED STOCK DIVIDENDS		(2,025)
NET (LOSS) INCOME APPLICABLE TO COMMON STOCKHOLDERS	\$ (4,697)	\$ 193
NET (LOSS) INCOME PER SHARE APPLICABLE TO COMMON STOCKHOLDERS Basic and diluted	\$ (0.15)	\$ 0.12
WEIGHTED AVERAGE SHARES OUTSTANDING Basic and diluted	31,277,697	1,619,011

See Notes to Financial Statements.

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**ALIMERA SCIENCES, INC.
STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2011	2010
	(Unaudited)	
	(In thousands)	
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Net (loss) income	\$ (4,697)	\$ 2,577
Income from discontinued operations (Note 3)		(4,000)
Depreciation	44	48
Change in fair value of preferred stock conversion feature		(3,265)
Stock-based compensation and other expense	438	108
Amortization of deferred financing costs	114	
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	232	(118)
Accounts payable	336	962
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	(1,457)	(767)
Other long-term liabilities		(184)
 Net cash used in operating activities	 (4,990)	 (4,639)
 CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Proceeds from maturities of investments	25,827	
Purchases of property and equipment	(4)	(23)
 Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities of continuing operations	 25,823	 (23)
Net cash provided by investing activities of discontinued operations (Note 3)		4,000
 Net cash provided by investing activities	 25,823	 3,977
 CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Proceeds from exercise of Series C-1 preferred warrants		9,998
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	113	
Proceeds from exercise of common warrants		148
Deferred offering costs		(163)
Payments on capital lease obligations	(3)	(1)
 Net cash provided by financing activities	 110	 9,982

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NET INCREASE IN CASH	20,943	9,320
CASH Beginning of period	28,514	4,858
CASH End of period	\$ 49,457	\$ 14,178

**Three Months Ended March
31,
2011 2010**

SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES:

Cash paid for interest	\$ 143	\$ 300
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There were no income tax or dividend payments made for the three months ended March 31, 2011 and 2010.
See Notes to Financial Statements.

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**ALIMERA SCIENCES, INC.
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

1. Nature of Operations

Alimera Sciences, Inc. (the Company) is a biopharmaceutical company that specializes in the research, development, and commercialization of ophthalmic pharmaceuticals. The Company was formed on June 4, 2003 under the laws of the State of Delaware.

On April 21, 2010, the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1 (as amended) was declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) for the Company's initial public offering (IPO), pursuant to which the Company sold 6,550,000 shares of its common stock at a public offering price of \$11.00 per share. The Company received net proceeds of approximately \$68,395,000 from this transaction, after deducting underwriting discounts and commissions.

During the year ended December 31, 2006, management and the board of directors of the Company approved a plan to discontinue the operations of its non-prescription business (see Note 3). As a result of the completion of the disposal of its non-prescription business in July 2007, the Company no longer has active products and will not have active products until and unless the Company receives U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approval and launches its initial prescription product (see Note 4).

The Company is presently focused on diseases affecting the back of the eye, or retina, because the Company's management believes these diseases are not well treated with current therapies and represent a significant market opportunity. The Company's most advanced product candidate is ILUVIEN, which is being developed for the treatment of diabetic macular edema (DME). DME is a disease of the retina which affects individuals with diabetes and can lead to severe vision loss and blindness. The Company has completed its two Phase 3 pivotal clinical trials (collectively referred to as the Company's FAME Study) for ILUVIEN involving 956 patients in sites across the U.S., Canada, Europe and India to assess the efficacy and safety of ILUVIEN in the treatment of DME.

In June 2010, the Company submitted a New Drug Application (NDA) for ILUVIEN to the FDA. In July 2010, the Company submitted a Marketing Authorization Application for ILUVIEN to the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency in the United Kingdom and to regulatory authorities in Austria, France, Germany, Italy, Portugal and Spain. In August 2010, the FDA accepted the Company's NDA for ILUVIEN and granted it priority review status, which reduced the review time from ten months to six months.

In December 2010, the FDA issued a Complete Response Letter (CRL) in response to the Company's NDA. In the CRL, the FDA communicated its decision that the NDA could not be approved in its then present form. No new clinical studies were requested in the CRL. However, the FDA asked for analyses of the safety and efficacy data through month 36 of the FAME Study, including exploratory analyses in addition to those previously submitted to the FDA, to further assess the relative benefits and risks of ILUVIEN. The NDA included data through month 24. The Company has completed month 36 of the study and is preparing the analyses the FDA requested. The FDA is also seeking additional information regarding controls and specifications concerning the manufacturing, packaging and sterilization of ILUVIEN, which the Company is in the process of compiling.

2. Basis of Presentation

The Company has prepared the accompanying unaudited interim financial statements and notes thereto in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP) for interim financial information and the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10-01 of Regulation S-X of the SEC. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and disclosures required by U.S. GAAP for complete financial statements. In the opinion of management, the accompanying unaudited interim financial statements reflect all adjustments, which include normal recurring adjustments, necessary to present fairly the Company's interim financial information.

The accompanying unaudited interim financial statements and related notes should be read in conjunction with the Company's audited financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2010 and related notes included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K, which was filed with the SEC on March 25, 2011. The financial results for any interim period are not necessarily indicative of the expected financial results for the full year.

On April 21, 2010, the Company effected a 1 for 3.4 reverse split of the Company's common and preferred stock. All share and per share amounts in the accompanying financial statements and notes have been retroactively adjusted for

all periods presented to give effect to the reverse stock split.

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3. Discontinued Operations

In October 2006, management and the board of directors of the Company approved a plan to discontinue the operations of its non-prescription ophthalmic pharmaceutical business (the OTC Business). The plan included the sale of the assets of the Company's OTC Business and also the termination of its sales and marketing personnel. The Company previously determined that the discontinued OTC Business comprised operations and cash flows that could be clearly distinguished, operationally and for financial reporting purposes, from the rest of the Company.

Accordingly, the results of operations for the discontinued OTC Business have been presented as discontinued operations. During the three months ended March 31, 2010, the Company received a \$4,000,000 option payment from the acquirer of the assets of the OTC Business to provide it with an additional two years to develop one of the acquired products. There were no revenues or expenses from discontinued operations during the three month period ended March 31, 2011. The following table presents basic and diluted earnings per share from discontinued operations for the three months ended March 31, 2010:

Net income from discontinued operations (in thousands)	\$ 4,000
Net income from discontinued operations per share Basic and diluted	\$ 2.47
Weighted-average shares outstanding Basic and diluted	1,619,011

4. Factors Affecting Operations

To date the Company has incurred recurring losses, negative cash flow from operations, and has accumulated a deficit of \$193,551,000 from the Company's inception through March 31, 2011. The Company does not expect to generate revenues from its product, ILUVIEN, until late 2011, if at all, and therefore does not expect to have cash flow from operations until 2012, if at all. As of March 31, 2011, the Company had approximately \$49,960,000 in cash, cash equivalents, and investments. In October 2010, the Company obtained a \$32,500,000 senior secured credit facility (Credit Facility) to help fund its working capital requirements (see note 7). The Credit Facility consists of a \$20,000,000 working capital revolver and a \$12,500,000 term loan. The lenders have advanced \$6,250,000 under the term loan and may advance the remaining \$6,250,000 following FDA approval of ILUVIEN, but no later than July 31, 2011. Given the status of the FDA's review of the ILUVIEN NDA, it is unlikely that the FDA approval would occur prior to July 31, 2011. The Company is currently in discussions with the lenders to amend the terms of the Credit Facility to, among other things, extend the availability of the term loan and the working capital revolver. However, there are no assurances that the Credit Facility will be amended. The Company may draw on the working capital revolver against eligible domestic accounts receivable, as defined, subsequent to the launch of ILUVIEN.

Management believes it has sufficient funds available to fund its operations through the projected commercialization of ILUVIEN and the expected generation of revenue in late 2011. The commercialization of ILUVIEN is dependent upon approval by the FDA, however, and management cannot be sure that ILUVIEN will be approved by the FDA or that, if approved, future sales of ILUVIEN will generate enough revenue to fund the Company's operations beyond its commercialization. Due to the uncertainty around FDA approval, management also cannot be certain that the Company will not need additional funds for the commercialization of ILUVIEN. If ILUVIEN is not approved, or if approved, does not generate sufficient revenue, the Company may adjust its commercial plans so that it can continue to operate with its existing cash resources or seek to raise additional financing.

5. Accrued Expenses

Accrued expenses consisted of the following:

	March 31, 2011	December 31, 2010
	(In thousands)	
Accrued clinical investigator expenses	\$ 795	\$ 1,911
Accrued compensation expenses	453	730

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Other accrued expenses		186		90
Total accrued expenses		\$ 1,434	\$	2,731

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6. pSivida Agreement

In March 2008, in connection with the Company's collaboration agreement with pSivida U.S., Inc. (pSivida), the licensor of the ILUVIEN technology, the Company and pSivida amended and restated the agreement to provide us with 80% of the net profits and pSivida with 20% of the net profits. In connection with the amended and restated agreement, the Company also agreed to:

pay \$12.0 million to pSivida upon the execution of the March 2008 agreement;

issue a \$15.0 million promissory note to pSivida;

forgive all outstanding development payments, penalties and interest as of the effective date of the March 2008 agreement, which totaled \$6.8 million;

continue responsibility for regulatory, clinical, preclinical, manufacturing, marketing and sales for the remaining development and commercialization of the products;

assume all financial responsibility for the development of the products and assume 80% of the commercialization costs of the products (instead of 50% as provided under the February 2005 agreement); and

make an additional milestone payment of \$25.0 million after the first product under the March 2008 agreement has been approved by the FDA.

In addition, pSivida is continuing to provide clinical supply materials for the Company's Phase 2 clinical trials being conducted for the use of ILUVIEN for the treatment of dry AMD and wet AMD and perform and maintain stability testing on those supplies.

The \$15,000,000 promissory note accrued interest at 8% payable quarterly and was payable in full to pSivida upon the earlier of a liquidity event as defined in the note (including an initial public offering of the Company's common stock greater than \$75,000,000), the occurrence of an event of default under the Company's agreement with pSivida or September 30, 2012. If the note was not paid in full by March 31, 2010, the interest rate was to increase to 20% effective as of April 1, 2010, and the Company would be required to begin making principal payments of \$500,000 per month. On April 27, 2010, the Company paid pSivida approximately \$15,200,000 in principal and interest to satisfy the note payable with the proceeds from its initial public offering.

The Company's license rights to pSivida's proprietary delivery device could revert to pSivida if the Company were to (i) fail twice to cure its breach of an obligation to make certain payments to pSivida following receipt of written notice thereof; (ii) fail to cure other breaches of material terms of its agreement with pSivida within 30 days after notice of such breaches or such longer period (up to 90 days) as may be reasonably necessary if the breach cannot be cured within such 30-day period; (iii) file for protection under the bankruptcy laws, make an assignment for the benefit of creditors, appoint or suffer appointment of a receiver or trustee over its property, file a petition under any bankruptcy or insolvency act or have any such petition filed against it and such proceeding remains undismissed or unstayed for a period of more than 60 days; or (iv) notify pSivida in writing of its decision to abandon its license with respect to a certain product using pSivida's proprietary delivery device. The Company was not in breach of its agreement with pSivida as of March 31, 2011.

Upon commercialization of ILUVIEN, the Company must share 20% of net profits of ILUVIEN, as defined by the agreement, with pSivida. In connection with this arrangement the Company is entitled to recover 20% of commercialization costs of ILUVIEN, as defined in the agreement, incurred prior to product profitability out of pSivida's share of net profits. As of March 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010 the Company was owed \$2,649,000 and \$2,224,000, respectively, in commercialization costs. Due to the uncertainty of FDA approval of the NDA for ILUVIEN, the Company has fully reserved these amounts in the accompanying financial statements.

7. Term Loan Agreement and Working Capital Revolver

Term Loan Agreement

On October 14, 2010 (Effective Date), the Company entered into a Loan and Security Agreement with Silicon Valley Bank and MidCap Financial LLP under which the Company may borrow up to \$12,500,000 (Term Loan Agreement). The lenders advanced the Initial Tranche of \$6,250,000 on the Effective Date and may advance the remaining Second Tranche of \$6,250,000 following approval by the FDA of the Company's ILUVIEN product, but no later than July 31, 2011. Given the status of the FDA's review of the Company's NDA, the Company believes it is unlikely that approval of ILUVIEN would occur prior to July 31, 2011. The Company is in discussions with the lenders to amend the terms of the Term Loan Agreement to, among other things, extend its availability. However, there are no assurances that the Term Loan Agreement will be amended.

The Company is required to maintain its primary operating and other deposit accounts and securities accounts with Silicon Valley Bank, which accounts must represent at least 50% of the dollar value of the Company's accounts at all financial institutions.

The Company will be required to pay interest on the Initial Tranche at a rate of 11.5% on a monthly basis through July 31, 2011, and then will be required to repay the principal in 27 equal monthly installments, beginning August 2011, plus interest at a rate of 11.5%. If the Second Tranche is advanced to the Company, the Company will be required to pay interest on the Second Tranche at a rate of 12.0% on a monthly basis through July 31, 2011, and then will be required to repay the principal in 27 equal monthly installments, plus interest at a rate of 12.0%. The Company paid to the lenders an upfront fee of \$62,500, and will pay to the lenders an additional final payment of 3% of the total principal amount. In addition, if the Company repays the Initial Tranche or the Second Tranche (if it is advanced to the Company) prior to maturity, it will pay to the lenders a prepayment penalty of 5% of the total principal amount if the prepayment occurs within one year after the Effective Date, 3% of the total principal amount if the prepayment occurs between one and two years after the Effective Date and 1% of the total principal amount of the prepayment occurs thereafter (each a Prepayment Penalty), provided in each case that such Prepayment Penalty will be reduced by 50% in the event of an acquisition of the Company. The occurrence of an event of default could result in the acceleration of the Company's obligations under the Term Loan Agreement and an increase to the applicable interest rate, and would permit the lenders to exercise remedies with respect to the collateral under the Term Loan Agreement.

To secure the repayment of any amounts borrowed under the Term Loan Agreement, the Company granted to the Lenders a first priority security interest in all of its assets, other than its intellectual property, provided that, for any date during which the notes are outstanding, the Company's unrestricted balance sheet cash and cash equivalents plus the excess available under the term loan agreements are less than the product of six times the monthly cash burn amount. In the event the Company fails to meet this financial condition, a curable lien will be imposed on the Company's intellectual property. Should such a lien event take place, the lien would remain in force until such date that the Company's unrestricted cash and cash equivalents plus the excess available under the term loan agreements was equal to or greater than twelve times the monthly cash burn amount. The Company also agreed not to pledge or otherwise encumber its intellectual property assets. Additionally, the Company must seek the lenders' approval prior to the payment of any cash dividends.

In connection with entering into this agreement, the Company issued to the lenders warrants to purchase an aggregate of up to 39,773 shares of the Company's common stock. Each of the warrants is exercisable immediately, has a per-share exercise price of \$11.00 and has a term of 10 years. In addition, the lenders will have certain registration rights with respect to the shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of the warrants. The Company estimated the fair value of warrants granted using the Black-Scholes option pricing model. The aggregate fair value of the warrants was estimated to be \$389,000. The Company allocated a portion of the proceeds from the Term Loan Agreement to the warrants in accordance with Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 470-20-25-2, *Debt Instruments with Detachable Warrants*. As a result, the Company recorded a discount of \$366,000 which is being amortized to interest expense using the effective interest method. If the Second Tranche is advanced to the Company, the Company will issue to the lenders warrants to purchase an aggregate of up to 39,773 shares of the Company's common stock.

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Working Capital Revolver

Also on the Effective Date, the Company and Silicon Valley Bank entered into a Loan and Security Agreement (Working Capital Revolver), pursuant to which the Company obtained a secured revolving line of credit from Silicon Valley Bank with borrowing availability up to \$20,000,000. The Company is in discussions with the lenders to amend the terms of the Working Capital Revolver to, among other things, extend its availability.

The Working Capital Revolver provides for a working capital-based revolving line of credit in an aggregate amount of up to the lesser of (i) \$20,000,000, or (ii) 85% of eligible domestic accounts receivable. The Working Capital Revolver matures on October 31, 2013. As of March 31, 2011, no amounts under the Working Capital Revolver were available to the Company.

Amounts advanced under the Working Capital Revolver bear interest at an annual rate equal to Silicon Valley Bank's prime rate plus 2.50% (with a rate floor of 6.50%). Interest on the Working Capital Revolver is due monthly, with the balance due at the maturity date. The Company paid to Silicon Valley Bank an upfront fee of \$100,000. In addition, if the Company terminates the Working Capital Revolver prior to maturity, it will pay to Silicon Valley Bank a fee of \$400,000 if the termination occurs within one year after the Effective Date and a fee of \$200,000 if the termination occurs more than one year after the Effective Date (each a Termination Fee), provided in each case that such Termination Fee will be reduced by 50% in the event of an acquisition of the Company.

To secure the repayment of any amounts borrowed under the Working Capital Revolver, the Company granted to Silicon Valley Bank a first priority security interest in all of its assets, other than its intellectual property, provided that, for any date during which the notes are outstanding, the Company's unrestricted balance sheet cash and cash equivalents plus the excess available under the term loan agreements are less than the product of six times the monthly cash burn amount. In the event the Company fails to meet this financial condition, a curable lien will be imposed on the Company's intellectual property. Should such a lien event take place, the lien would remain in force until such date that the Company's unrestricted cash and cash equivalents plus the excess available under the term loan agreements was equal to or greater than twelve times the monthly cash burn amount. The Company also agreed not to pledge or otherwise encumber its intellectual property assets. Additionally, the Company must seek Silicon Valley Bank's approval prior to the payment of any cash dividends.

The occurrence of an event of default could result in the acceleration of the Company's obligations under the Working Capital Revolver and an increase to the applicable interest rate, and would permit Silicon Valley Bank to exercise remedies with respect to the collateral under the Working Capital Revolver.

8. Earnings (Loss) Per Share (EPS)

Basic EPS is calculated in accordance with ASC 260, *Earnings per Share*, by dividing net income or loss attributable to common stockholders by the weighted average common stock outstanding. Diluted EPS is calculated in accordance with ASC 260 by adjusting weighted average common shares outstanding for the dilutive effect of common stock options, warrants, convertible preferred stock and accrued but unpaid convertible preferred stock dividends. In periods where a net loss from continuing operations is recorded, no effect is given to potentially dilutive securities, since the effect would be anti-dilutive. Total securities that could potentially dilute basic EPS in the future that were not included in the computation of diluted EPS because to do so would have been anti-dilutive were as follows:

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2011 (Unaudited)	Three Months Ended March 31, 2010 (Unaudited)
Series A preferred stock and convertible accrued dividends		7,005,145
Series B preferred stock		7,147,894
Series C preferred stock		5,807,112

Series C-1 preferred stock		2,752,990
Common stock warrants	30,615	150,703
Stock options	1,632,683	1,792,764
Total	1,663,298	24,656,608

9. Preferred Stock

Prior to the Company's IPO, the Company had four series of preferred stock. On April 27, 2010 and in connection with the IPO, all outstanding shares of the Company's preferred stock were converted into 22,863,696 shares of common stock and all preferred stock dividends were eliminated. Significant terms of all series of the preferred stock were as follows;

Dividends were cumulative and accrued on a daily basis at the rate of 8% per annum beginning on the date of issuance and based on the original issue price, as adjusted for any stock dividend, stock split, combination, or other event involving the preferred stock. Dividends accrued, whether or not declared, annually and were due and payable when and if declared by the Board of Directors, upon a liquidating event upon redemption of the preferred stock or on the date that the preferred stock was otherwise acquired by the Company.

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Upon any liquidation, dissolution, or winding up of the Company, the preferred stockholders were entitled to a liquidation preference payment equal to (i) the sum of the liquidation value plus all accumulated, accrued, and unpaid dividends and (ii) the pro rata share of any remaining amounts such holder would have been entitled to receive had such holder's shares been converted into common stock immediately prior to the liquidation, dissolution, or winding up.

At any time subsequent to March 17, 2013, the holders of a majority of the preferred stock could have required the Company to redeem all or any portion of the preferred stock. If the preferred stock was redeemed, the redemption would have occurred in equal installments over a three-year period. The price paid by the Company to redeem the shares would have been the greater of (i) the original issue price, plus all accumulated, accrued, and unpaid dividends, and (ii) the fair market value of the preferred stock being redeemed at the time of the redemption.

Because the preferred stock provided the holders the right to require the Company to redeem such shares for cash after March 17, 2013 at the greater of (i) the original issue price plus any accrued but unpaid dividends and (ii) the fair market value of the preferred stock being redeemed, the embedded conversion feature required separate accounting. Consequently, the conversion feature had to be bifurcated from the preferred stock and accounted for separately at each issuance date. The carrying value of the embedded derivative was adjusted to fair value at the end of each reporting period and the change in fair value was recognized in the statement of operations.

On January 8, 2010 warrants to purchase shares of the Company's Series C-1 preferred stock were exercised resulting in \$10,000,000 in cash proceeds and the issuance of 1,935,700 additional shares of Series C-1 preferred stock. The Company recorded a derivative liability of \$3,471,000 upon the exercise of the warrants and the issuance of 1,935,700 shares of Series C-1 preferred stock in January 2010.

At each reporting date, the Company adjusted the carrying value of the embedded derivatives to estimated fair value and recognized the change in such estimated value in its statement of operations. The estimated fair value of the derivatives at March 31, 2010 was \$36,907,000. The Company recognized a gain of \$3,265,000 associated with the change in fair value for the three months ended March 31, 2010. In connection with the IPO, the embedded derivatives were eliminated.

In connection with the Company's IPO in April 2010, the Company authorized 10,000,000 shares of \$0.01 par value preferred stock. No shares of preferred stock were issued or outstanding at March 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively.

10. Stock Options

During the three months ended March 31, 2011 and 2010, the Company recorded compensation expense related to stock options of approximately \$415,000 and \$108,000, respectively. As of March 31, 2011, the total unrecognized compensation cost related to non-vested stock options granted was \$4,733,000 and is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 3.20 years. The following table presents a summary of stock option transactions for the three months ended March 31, 2011 and 2010:

	Three Months Ended March 31,			
	2011		2010	
	Options	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Options	Weighted Average Exercise Price
Options at beginning of period	2,741,985	\$ 3.81	2,225,778	\$ 2.14
Grants				
Forfeitures				

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Exercises	(77,530)	1.45		
Options at end of period	2,664,455	3.87	2,225,778	2.14

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The following table provides additional information related to outstanding stock options, fully vested stock options, and stock options expected to vest as of March 31, 2011:

	Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Weighted Average Contractual Term	Aggregate Intrinsic Value (In thousands)
Outstanding	2,664,455	\$ 3.87	6.80 years	\$ 11,952
Exercisable	1,738,510	2.03	5.76 years	10,112
Expected to vest	877,488	7.51	8.77 years	1,656

The following table provides additional information related to outstanding stock options, fully vested stock options, and stock options expected to vest as of December 31, 2010:

	Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Weighted Average Contractual Term	Aggregate Intrinsic Value (In thousands)
Outstanding	2,741,985	\$ 3.81	6.99 years	\$ 18,338
Exercisable	1,722,281	1.88	5.88 years	14,638
Expected to vest	963,754	7.24	8.92 years	3,334

11. Income Taxes

In accordance with ASC 740 the Company recognizes deferred tax assets and liabilities for temporary differences between the financial reporting basis and the tax basis of its assets and liabilities. The Company records a valuation allowance against its net deferred tax asset to reduce the net carrying value to an amount that is more likely than not to be realized.

Income tax positions are considered for uncertainty in accordance with FASB Interpretation No. 48, Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes – an interpretation of ASC 740-10. The Company believes that its income tax filing positions and deductions will be sustained on audit and does not anticipate any adjustments that will result in a material change to its financial position; therefore, no ASC 740-10 liabilities have been recorded.

Significant management judgment is involved in determining the provision for income taxes, deferred tax assets and liabilities, and any valuation allowance recorded against net deferred tax assets. Due to uncertainties with respect to the realization of deferred tax assets due to the history of operating losses, a valuation allowance has been established against the entire net deferred tax asset balance. The valuation allowance is based on management's estimates of taxable income in the jurisdictions in which the Company operates and the period over which deferred tax assets will be recoverable. In the event that actual results differ from these estimates or the Company adjusts these estimates in future periods, a change in the valuation allowance may be needed, which could materially impact the Company's financial position and results of operations.

At March 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, the Company had federal net operating loss (NOL) carry-forwards of approximately \$102,299,000 and \$97,813,000 and state NOL carry-forwards of approximately \$85,482,000 and \$80,995,000, respectively, that are available to reduce future income unless otherwise taxable. If not utilized, the federal NOL carry-forwards will expire at various dates between 2023 and 2030, and the state NOL carry-forwards

will expire at various dates between 2020 and 2030.

NOL carry-forwards may be subject to annual limitations under Internal Revenue Code Section 382 (or comparable provisions of state law) in the event that certain changes in ownership of the Company were to occur. The Company has not yet completed a formal evaluation of the impact of its IPO (Note 1) on the Company's NOL carry-forwards and whether certain changes in ownership have occurred that would limit the Company's ability to utilize a portion of its NOL carry-forwards.

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12. Fair Value

The Company adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 157, Fair Value Measurements (ASC 820), effective January 1, 2008. Under this standard, fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability (i.e., the exit price) in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

In determining fair value, the Company uses various valuation approaches. The hierarchy of those valuation approaches is broken down into three levels based on the reliability of inputs as follows:

Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the reporting entity has the ability to access at the measurement date. An active market for the asset or liability is a market in which transactions for the asset or liability occur with sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis. The valuation under this approach does not entail a significant degree of judgment.

Level 2 inputs are inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. Level 2 inputs include: quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability, (e.g., interest rates and yield curves observable at commonly quoted intervals or current market) and contractual prices for the underlying financial instrument, as well as other relevant economic measures.

Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs for the asset or liability. Unobservable inputs shall be used to measure fair value to the extent that observable inputs are not available, thereby allowing for situations in which there is little, if any, market activity for the asset or liability at the measurement date.

The following table presents information about the Company's assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis:

	March 31, 2011			Total
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	
	(In thousands)			
Cash equivalents(1)	\$ 48,432	\$	\$	\$ 48,432
Investments in marketable debt securities(2)		503		503
Assets measured at fair value	\$ 48,432	\$ 503	\$	\$ 48,935

	December 31, 2010			Total
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	
	(In thousands)			
Cash equivalents(1)	\$ 27,393	\$	\$	\$ 27,393
Investments in marketable debt securities(2)		26,330		26,330
Assets measured at fair value	\$ 27,393	\$ 26,330	\$	\$ 53,723

(1) The carrying amounts approximate fair value due to the short-term maturities of the cash and cash equivalents.

(2)

Valuations are based on quoted prices in markets that are not active or for which all significant inputs are observable, either directly or indirectly. These prices include broker or dealer quotations, or alternative pricing sources with reasonable levels of price transparency. Pricing sources include industry standard data providers, security master files from large financial institutions, and other third party sources which are input into a distribution-curve-based algorithm to determine a daily market value. This creates a consensus price or a weighted average price for each security.

which may supplement, modify, supersede or update those risk factors. Our forward-looking statements do not reflect the potential impact of any future acquisitions, mergers, dispositions, joint ventures, collaborations or investments we may make.

Overview

We are a biopharmaceutical company that specializes in the research, development and commercialization of prescription ophthalmic pharmaceuticals. We are presently focused on diseases affecting the back of the eye, or retina, because we believe these diseases are not well treated with current therapies and represent a significant market opportunity.

Our most advanced product candidate is ILUVIEN, which we are developing for the treatment of diabetic macular edema (DME). DME is a disease of the retina that affects individuals with diabetes and can lead to severe vision loss and blindness. In September 2010, we completed two Phase 3 pivotal clinical trials (collectively, our FAME Study) for ILUVIEN involving 956 patients in sites across the U.S., Canada, Europe and India to assess the efficacy and safety of ILUVIEN in the treatment of DME. Based on our analysis of the month 24 clinical readout from our FAME Study in December 2009, we filed a New Drug Application (NDA) in June 2010 for the low dose of ILUVIEN in the U.S. with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), followed by registration filings in the United Kingdom, Austria, France, Germany, Italy, Portugal and Spain in July 2010. In December 2010, we received a Complete Response Letter (CRL) from the FDA. The FDA issued the CRL to communicate its decision that the NDA for ILUVIEN could not be approved in its then present form. No new clinical studies were requested by the FDA in the CRL. However, the FDA asked us for analyses of the safety and efficacy data through the end of the FAME Study to further assess the relative benefits and risks of ILUVIEN. We are currently preparing the analyses the FDA requested having completed the FAME Study and publicly released data on February 3, 2011. The FDA is also seeking additional information regarding controls and specifications concerning the manufacturing, packaging and sterilization of ILUVIEN, which we are currently compiling. We currently anticipate submitting our response to the CRL to the FDA early in the second quarter of 2011. Our submission to the FDA will be considered a Class 2 response, which will provide for a review period of up to an additional six months for our NDA. Based on our discussions with the FDA, we anticipate that the FDA will call an advisory committee during this review. Additionally, we plan to submit the additional safety and efficacy data through the final readout at the end of the FAME Study to regulatory authorities in the United Kingdom, Austria, France, Germany, Italy, Portugal and Spain in the second quarter of 2011. If our NDA for ILUVIEN is approved by the FDA, we plan to commercialize ILUVIEN in the U.S. by marketing and selling it to retinal specialists as early as late 2011. In addition to treating DME, ILUVIEN is being studied in three Phase 2 clinical trials for the treatment of the dry form of age-related macular degeneration (AMD), the wet form of AMD and retinal vein occlusion (RVO).

We are also conducting testing on two classes of nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide phosphate (NADPH) oxidase inhibitors, for which we have acquired exclusive, worldwide licenses from Emory University, in the treatment of dry AMD. We plan to evaluate the use of NADPH oxidase inhibitors in the treatment of other diseases of the eye, including wet AMD and diabetic retinopathy. We intend to seek a collaboration partner for sales and marketing activities outside North America. We currently contract with development partners or outside firms for various operational aspects of our development activities, including the preparation of clinical supplies and have no plans to establish in-house manufacturing capabilities.

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We commenced operations in June 2003. Since our inception we have incurred significant losses. As of March 31, 2011, we have accumulated a deficit of \$193.5 million. We expect to incur substantial losses through the projected commercialization of ILUVIEN as we:

- complete the clinical development and registration of ILUVIEN;
- build our sales and marketing capabilities for the anticipated commercial launch of ILUVIEN in late 2011;
- add the necessary infrastructure to support our growth;
- evaluate the use of ILUVIEN for the treatment of other diseases; and
- advance the clinical development of other new product candidates either currently in our pipeline, or that we may license or acquire in the future.

Prior to our initial public offering (IPO), we funded our operations through the private placement of common stock, preferred stock, warrants and convertible debt, as well as by the sale of certain assets of the non-prescription business in which we were previously engaged. On April 21, 2010, our Registration Statement on Form S-1 (as amended) was declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) for our IPO, pursuant to which we sold 6,550,000 shares of our common stock at a public offering price of \$11.00 per share. We received net proceeds of approximately \$66.1 million from this transaction, after deducting underwriting discounts, commissions and other offering costs.

As of March 31, 2011, we had approximately \$50.0 million in cash, cash equivalents, and of investments in trading securities. In addition to our net IPO proceeds, our cash and cash equivalents include the January 2010 receipt of \$10.0 million in proceeds from the exercise of outstanding Series C-1 warrants, and a \$4.0 million option payment from Bausch & Lomb Incorporated (Bausch & Lomb) upon the exercise by Bausch & Lomb of its option to extend by two years the period during which it may continue to develop an allergy product acquired from us in 2006.

In October 2010, we obtained a \$32.5 million senior secured credit facility (Credit Facility) to help fund our working capital requirements. The Credit Facility consists of a \$20.0 million working capital revolver and a \$12.5 million term loan. The lenders have advanced \$6.25 million under the term loan and may advance the remaining \$6.25 million following FDA approval of ILUVIEN, but no later than July 31, 2011. Given the status of the FDA's review of the NDA for ILUVIEN, we do not currently expect that FDA approval would occur prior to July 31, 2011. We are in discussions with the lenders to amend the terms of the Credit Facility to, among other things, extend the availability of the term loan. However, there are no assurances that the Credit Facility will be amended. We may draw on the working capital revolver against eligible, domestic accounts receivable subsequent to the launch of ILUVIEN.

We do not expect to generate revenues from our product, ILUVIEN, until late 2011, if at all, and therefore we do not expect to have positive cash flow from operations before that time. We believe our cash, cash equivalents, investments and Credit Facility are sufficient to fund our operations through the projected commercialization of ILUVIEN and the expected generation of revenue in late 2011. The commercialization of ILUVIEN is dependent upon approval by the FDA, however, and we cannot be sure that ILUVIEN will be approved by the FDA or that, if approved, future sales of ILUVIEN will generate enough revenue to fund our operations beyond its commercialization. Due to the uncertainty around FDA approval, management cannot be certain that we will not need additional funds for the commercialization of ILUVIEN. If ILUVIEN is not approved, or if approved, does not generate sufficient revenue, we may adjust our commercial plans so that we can continue to operate with our existing cash resources or seek to raise additional financing.

Our Agreement with pSivida US, Inc.

In February 2005, we entered into an agreement with pSivida US, Inc. (pSivida) for the use of fluocinolone acetonide (FAC) in pSivida's proprietary delivery device. pSivida is a global drug delivery company committed to the biomedical sector and the development of drug delivery products. Our agreement with pSivida provides us with a worldwide exclusive license to develop and sell ILUVIEN, which consists of a tiny polyimide tube with membrane caps that is filled with FAC in a polyvinyl alcohol matrix for delivery to the back of the eye for the treatment and prevention of eye diseases in humans (other than uveitis). This agreement also provided us with a worldwide non-exclusive license to develop and sell pSivida's proprietary delivery device to deliver other corticosteroids to the back of the eye for the treatment and prevention of eye diseases in humans (other than uveitis) or to treat DME by delivering a compound to

the back of the eye through a direct delivery method through an incision required for a 25-gauge or larger needle. We do not have the right to develop and sell pSivida's proprietary delivery device for indications for diseases outside of the eye or for the treatment of uveitis. Further, our agreement with pSivida permits pSivida to grant to any other party the right to use its intellectual property (i) to treat DME through an incision smaller than that required for a 25-gauge needle, unless using a corticosteroid delivered to the back of the eye, (ii) to deliver any compound outside the back of the eye unless it is to treat DME through an incision required for a 25-gauge or larger needle, or (iii) to deliver non-corticosteroids to the back of the eye, unless it is to treat DME through an incision required for a 25-gauge or larger needle.

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Under the February 2005 agreement, we and pSivida agreed to collaborate on the development of ILUVIEN for DME, and share financial responsibility for the development expenses equally. Per the terms of the agreement, we each reported our monthly expenditures on a cash basis, and the party expending the lesser amount of cash during the period was required to make a cash payment to the party expending the greater amount to balance the cash expenditures. We retained primary responsibility for the development of the product, and therefore, were generally the party owed a balancing payment. Between February 2006 and December 2006, pSivida failed to make payments to us for its share of development costs totaling \$2.0 million. For each payment not made, pSivida incurred a penalty of 50% of the missed payment and interest began accruing at the rate of 20% per annum on the missed payment and the penalty amount. In accordance with the terms of the agreement, pSivida was able to remain in compliance with the terms of the February 2005 agreement as long as the total amount of development payments past due did not exceed \$2.0 million, and pSivida began making payments again in December 2006 in order to maintain compliance with the agreement. For financial reporting purposes we fully reserved the \$2.0 million in past due development payments and all penalties and interest due with respect to such past due payment, due to the uncertainty of future collection. The February 2005 agreement provided that after commercialization of ILUVIEN, profits, as defined in the agreement, would be shared equally.

In March 2008, we and pSivida amended and restated the agreement to provide us with 80% of the net profits and pSivida with 20% of the net profits. Total consideration to pSivida in connection with the execution of the March 2008 agreement was \$33.8 million, which consisted of a cash payment of \$12.0 million, the issuance of a \$15.0 million note payable, and the forgiveness of \$6.8 million in outstanding receivables. The \$15.0 million promissory note accrued interest at 8% per annum, payable quarterly and was payable in full to pSivida upon the earliest of a liquidity event as defined in the agreement, the occurrence of an event of default under our agreement with pSivida, or September 30, 2012. If the note was not paid in full by March 31, 2010, the interest rate was to increase to 20% effective as of April 1, 2010, and we were required to begin making principal payments of \$500,000 per month.

On April 27, 2010, we paid pSivida approximately \$15.2 million in principal and interest to satisfy the note payable with the proceeds from our IPO.

We will owe pSivida an additional milestone payment of \$25.0 million upon FDA approval of ILUVIEN.

Our Credit Facility***Term Loan Agreement***

On October 14, 2010 (Effective Date), we entered into a Loan and Security Agreement with Silicon Valley Bank and MidCap Financial LLP (Lenders) under which we may borrow up to \$12.5 million (Term Loan Agreement). The lenders advanced \$6.25 million on the Effective Date (Initial Tranche) and may advance the remaining \$6.25 million following FDA approval of ILUVIEN, but no later than July 31, 2011 (Second Tranche). Given the status of the FDA's review of the NDA for ILUVIEN, it is unlikely that FDA approval would occur prior to July 31, 2011. We are in discussions with the Lenders to amend the terms of the Credit Facility to, among other things, extend the availability of the term loan. However, there are no assurances that the Credit Facility will be amended. To secure the repayment of any amounts borrowed under the Term Loan Agreement, we granted to the lenders a first priority security interest in all of our assets, other than our intellectual property (provided that in the event we fail to meet certain financial conditions, a curable lien will be imposed on our intellectual property). We also agreed not to pledge or otherwise encumber our intellectual property assets.

We are required to maintain our primary operating and other deposit accounts and securities accounts with Silicon Valley Bank, which accounts must represent at least 50% of the dollar value of our accounts at all financial institutions.

We will be required to pay interest on borrowings under the Term Loan Agreement at a rate of 11.5% on a monthly basis through July 31, 2011. Thereafter, we will be required to repay the principal, plus interest at such rate if the Second Tranche were advanced to us prior to February 28, 2011 (and plus interest at a rate of 12% if the Second Tranche were advanced to us after February 28, 2011), in 27 equal monthly installments. We did not draw the Second Tranche prior to February 28, 2011. We paid to the lenders an upfront fee of \$62,500, and will pay to the lenders an additional final payment of 3% of the total principal amount. In addition, if we repay the Initial Tranche or the Second

Tranche (if it is advanced to us) prior to maturity, we will pay to the lenders a prepayment penalty of 5% of the total principal amount if the prepayment occurs within one year after the Effective Date, 3% of the total principal amount if the prepayment occurs between one and two years after the Effective Date and 1% of the total principal amount of the prepayment occurs thereafter (each a Prepayment Penalty), provided in each case that such Prepayment Penalty will be reduced by 50% in the event we are acquired.

To secure the repayment of any amounts borrowed under the Term Loan Agreement, we granted to the Lenders a first priority security interest in all of our assets, other than our intellectual property, provided that, for any date during which the notes are outstanding, our unrestricted balance sheet cash and cash equivalents plus the excess available under the Term Loan Agreement are less than the product of six times the monthly cash burn amount. In the event we fail to meet this financial condition, a curable lien will be imposed on our intellectual property. Should such a lien event take place, the lien would remain in force until such date that the Company's unrestricted cash and cash equivalents plus the excess available under the Term Loan Agreement were equal to or greater than twelve times the monthly cash burn amount. We also agreed not to pledge or otherwise encumber our intellectual property assets.

Additionally, we must seek the Lenders' approval prior to the payment of any cash dividends.

In connection with entering into this agreement, we issued to the Lenders warrants to purchase an aggregate of up to 39,773 shares of our common stock. Each of the warrants is exercisable immediately, has a per-share exercise price of \$11.00 and has a term of 10 years. In addition, the Lenders will have certain registration rights with respect to the shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of the warrants. We estimated the aggregate fair value of the warrants, using the Black-Scholes model, to be \$389,000. We allocated a portion of the proceeds from the Term Loan Agreement to the warrants in accordance with ASC 470-20-25-2, Debt Instruments with Detachable Warrants. As a result, we recorded a discount of \$366,000 which is being amortized to interest expense using the effective interest method. If the Second Tranche is advanced to us, we will issue to the lenders warrants to purchase an aggregate of up to 39,773 shares of our common stock.

Working Capital Revolver

Also on the Effective Date, we and Silicon Valley Bank entered into a Loan and Security Agreement (Working Capital Revolver), pursuant to which we obtained a secured revolving line of credit from Silicon Valley Bank with borrowing availability up to \$20.0 million.

The Working Capital Revolver provides for a working capital-based revolving line of credit in an aggregate amount of up to the lesser of (i) \$20.0 million, or (ii) 85% of eligible domestic accounts receivable. The Working Capital Revolver matures on October 31, 2013.

Amounts advanced under the Working Capital Revolver bear interest at an annual rate equal to Silicon Valley Bank's prime rate plus 2.50% (with a rate floor of 6.50%). Interest on the Working Capital Revolver is due monthly, with the balance due at the maturity date. We paid to Silicon Valley Bank an upfront fee of \$100,000. In addition, if we terminate the Working Capital Revolver prior to maturity, we will pay to Silicon Valley Bank a fee of \$400,000 if the termination occurs within one year after the Effective Date and a fee of \$200,000 if the termination occurs more than one year after the Effective Date (each a Termination Fee), provided in each case that such Termination Fee will be reduced by 50% in the event we are acquired.

To secure the repayment of any amounts borrowed under the Working Capital Revolver, we granted to Silicon Valley Bank a first priority security interest in all of our assets, other than our intellectual property, provided that, for any date during which the notes are outstanding, our unrestricted balance sheet cash and cash equivalents plus the excess available under the Term Loan Agreement are less than the product of six times the monthly cash burn amount. In the event we fail to meet this financial condition, a curable lien will be imposed on our intellectual property. Should such a lien event take place, the lien would remain in force until such date that our unrestricted cash and cash equivalents plus the excess available under the Term Loan Agreement were equal to or greater than twelve times the monthly cash burn amount. We also agreed not to pledge or otherwise encumber its intellectual property assets. Additionally, we must seek Silicon Valley Bank's approval prior to the payment of any cash dividends.

The occurrence of an event of default could result in the acceleration of our obligations under the Working Capital Revolver and an increase to the applicable interest rate, and would permit Silicon Valley Bank to exercise remedies with respect to the collateral under the Working Capital Revolver.

Our Discontinued Non-Prescription Business

At the inception of our company, we were focused primarily on the development and commercialization of non-prescription over-the-counter ophthalmic products. In October 2006, due to the progress and resource requirements related to the development of ILUVIEN, we decided to discontinue our non-prescription business. As a result, we received proceeds of \$10.0 million from the sale of our allergy products in December 2006 and \$6.7 million from the sale of our dry eye product in July 2007, both to Bausch & Lomb. If one of the allergy products receives FDA approval, we are entitled to an additional \$8.0 million payment from Bausch & Lomb under the sales agreement. In January 2010 we received a \$4.0 million option payment from Bausch & Lomb upon the exercise by Bausch & Lomb of its option to extend the period during which it may continue to develop this allergy product by two years. However, there can be no assurance that Bausch & Lomb will continue the development of this allergy product, that it will receive FDA approval or that we will receive the \$8.0 million payment. As a result of the discontinuation of our non-prescription business, all revenues and expenses associated with our over-the-counter portfolio are included in the loss from discontinued operations in the accompanying statements of operations.

Financial Operations Overview

Revenue

To date we have only generated revenue from our dry eye non-prescription product. From the launch of that product in September 2004 to its sale in July 2007, we generated \$4.4 million in net revenues. We do not expect to generate any significant additional revenue unless or until we obtain regulatory approval of, and commercialize, our product candidates or in-license additional products that generate revenue. In addition to generating revenue from product sales, we intend to seek to generate revenue from other sources such as upfront fees, milestone payments in connection with collaborative or strategic relationships, and royalties resulting from the licensing of our product candidates and other intellectual property. We expect any revenue we generate will fluctuate from quarter to quarter as a result of the nature, timing and amount of any milestone payments we may receive from potential collaborative and strategic relationships, as well as revenue we may receive upon the sale of our products to the extent any are successfully commercialized.

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Research and Development Expenses

Substantially all of our research and development expenses incurred to date related to our continuing operations have been related to the development of ILUVIEN. In the event the FDA approves our NDA for ILUVIEN, we will owe an additional milestone payment of \$25.0 million to pSivida. We anticipate that we will incur additional research and development expenses in the future as we evaluate and possibly pursue the development of ILUVIEN for additional indications, or develop additional product candidates. We recognize research and development expenses as they are incurred. Our research and development expenses consist primarily of:

- salaries and related expenses for personnel;
- fees paid to consultants and contract research organizations (CRO) in conjunction with independently monitoring clinical trials and acquiring and evaluating data in conjunction with clinical trials, including all related fees such as investigator grants, patient screening, lab work and data compilation and statistical analysis;
- costs incurred with third parties related to the establishment of a commercially viable manufacturing process for our product candidates;
- costs related to production of clinical materials, including fees paid to contract manufacturers;
- costs related to upfront and milestone payments under in-licensing agreements;
- costs related to compliance with FDA regulatory requirements;
- consulting fees paid to third-parties involved in research and development activities; and
- costs related to stock options or other stock-based compensation granted to personnel in development functions.

We expense both internal and external development costs as they are incurred.

We expect that a large percentage of our research and development expenses in the future will be incurred in support of our current and future technical, preclinical and clinical development programs. These expenditures are subject to numerous uncertainties in terms of both their timing and total cost to completion. We expect to continue to develop stable formulations of our product candidates, test such formulations in preclinical studies for toxicology, safety and efficacy and to conduct clinical trials for each product candidate. We anticipate funding clinical trials ourselves, but we may engage collaboration partners at certain stages of clinical development. As we obtain results from clinical trials, we may elect to discontinue or delay clinical trials for certain product candidates or programs in order to focus our resources on more promising product candidates or programs. Completion of clinical trials by us or our future collaborators may take several years or more, the length of time generally varying with the type, complexity, novelty and intended use of a product candidate. The costs of clinical trials may vary significantly over the life of a project owing to but not limited to the following:

- the number of sites included in the trials;
- the length of time required to enroll eligible patients;
- the number of patients that participate in the trials;
- the number of doses that patients receive;
- the drop-out or discontinuation rates of patients;
- the duration of patient follow-up;
- the phase of development the product candidate is in; and
- the efficacy and safety profile of the product candidate.

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Our expenses related to clinical trials are based on estimates of the services received and efforts expended pursuant to contracts with multiple research institutions and contract research organizations that conduct and manage clinical trials on our behalf. The financial terms of these agreements are subject to negotiation and vary from contract to contract and may result in uneven payment flows. Generally, these agreements set forth the scope of work to be performed at a fixed fee or unit price. Payments under the contracts depend on factors such as the successful enrollment of patients or the completion of clinical trial milestones. Expenses related to clinical trials generally are accrued based on contracted amounts applied to the level of patient enrollment and activity according to the protocol. If timelines or contracts are modified based upon changes in the clinical trial protocol or scope of work to be performed, we modify our estimates of accrued expenses accordingly on a prospective basis.

None of our product candidates has received FDA or foreign regulatory marketing approval. In order to grant marketing approval, a health authority such as the FDA or foreign regulatory agencies must conclude that clinical and preclinical data establish the safety and efficacy of our product candidates with an appropriate benefit to risk profile relevant to a particular indication, and that the product can be manufactured under current Good Manufacturing Practice (cGMP) in a reproducible manner to deliver the product's intended performance in terms of its stability, quality, purity and potency. Until our submissions are reviewed by health authorities, there is no way to predict the outcome of their review. Even if the clinical studies meet their predetermined primary endpoints, and a registration dossier is accepted for filing, a health authority could still determine that an appropriate benefit to risk relationship does not exist for the indication that we are seeking. We cannot forecast with any degree of certainty which of our product candidates will be subject to future collaborations or how such arrangements would affect our development plan or capital requirements. As a result of the uncertainties discussed above, we are unable to determine the duration and completion costs of our development projects or when and to what extent we will receive cash inflows from the commercialization and sale of an approved product candidate.

General and Administrative Expenses

General and administrative expenses consist primarily of compensation for employees in executive and administrative functions, including finance, accounting and human resources. Other significant costs include facilities costs and professional fees for accounting and legal services, including legal services associated with obtaining and maintaining patents. We anticipate incurring a significant increase in general and administrative expenses, as we add additional employees and continue to operate as a public company. These increases will include increased costs for insurance, costs related to the hiring of additional personnel and payments to outside consultants, lawyers and accountants. We also expect to continue to incur significant costs to comply with the corporate governance, internal control and similar requirements applicable to public companies.

Marketing Expenses

Marketing expenses consist of compensation for employees responsible for assessing the commercial opportunity of and developing market awareness and launch plans for our product candidates. Professional fees associated with developing brands for our product candidates and maintaining public relations. We expect significant increases in our marketing and selling expenses as we hire additional personnel and establish our sales and marketing capabilities in anticipation of the commercialization of our product candidates. We intend to capitalize on our management's past experience and expertise with eye-care products by marketing and selling ILUVIEN to the approximately 1,600 retinal specialists practicing in the approximately 900 retina centers across the U.S.

Our plan is to develop our own specialized domestic sales and marketing infrastructure, comprised of approximately 40 people, to market ILUVIEN and other ophthalmic products that we may acquire or develop in the future. We hired regional managers with extensive ophthalmic-based sales experience in the third quarter of 2010 and plan to begin adding sales representatives in the fourth quarter of 2011. We entered into a relationship with OnCall LLC, a contract sales force company, that will utilize its employees to act as our sales representatives if we receive approval of the ILUVIEN NDA from the FDA. We expect that following FDA approval, the OnCall sales force will be able to access and form relationships with retinal specialists in approximately 900 retina centers for the commercial launch of ILUVIEN. In connection with the commercial launch of ILUVIEN, we expect to hire additional personnel to support the activities of customer service, post-marketing pharmacovigilance, medical affairs, and regulatory compliance.

Interest and Other Income

Interest income consists primarily of interest earned on our cash, cash equivalents and investments.

Interest Expense

Beginning in March 2008, we began recognizing interest on our \$15.0 million note payable to pSivida at an effective interest rate of 12.64% per annum (this note accrued interest at the rate of 8% per annum from inception through March 31, 2010 and at the rate of 20% per annum effective as of April 1, 2010). On April 27, 2010, we paid pSivida approximately \$15.2 million in principal and interest to satisfy the note payable. In October 2010, we drew the Initial Tranche of \$6.25 million on our term loan from Silicon Valley Bank and MidCap Financial LLP and began recognizing interest at an effective interest rate of 13.0% per annum (interest on this term loan is payable monthly at the rate of 11.5% per annum and includes a final interest payment of 3.0% of the amount advanced).

Table of Contents***Change in Fair Value of Preferred Stock Conversion Feature***

Prior to being converted into common stock in connection with our IPO, our preferred stock contained certain conversion features which were considered embedded derivatives. We accounted for such embedded derivative financial instruments in accordance with Accounting Standards Codification 815. We recorded derivative financial instruments as assets or liabilities in our balance sheet measured at their fair value. We recorded the changes in fair value of such instruments as non-cash gains or losses in the statement of operations. The preferred stock conversion feature was eliminated upon the conversion of our preferred stock to common stock in connection with our IPO in April 2010.

Preferred Stock Accretion

Prior to our IPO, our preferred stock was recorded at issuance at the proceeds received net of any issuance discounts, issuance costs and the fair value of the conversion features at issuance. The difference between the amount recorded at issuance and the original issue price was accreted on a straight-line basis over a period extending from the date of issuance to the date at which the preferred stock would have become redeemable at the option of the holder. Accretion of the difference ceased upon the conversion of our preferred stock to common stock in connection with our IPO in April 2010.

Preferred Stock Dividends

Prior to our IPO, our preferred stock accrued dividends at 8% per annum which were recorded as an increase in the carrying amount of the respective preferred stock. At the time our preferred stock was converted into common stock in connection with our IPO, \$1.5 million of dividends accrued on our Series A preferred stock prior to November 17, 2005 were converted into 380,301 shares of our common stock. All other preferred stock dividends were eliminated upon conversion of the underlying preferred stock in April 2010.

Basic and Diluted Net (Loss) Income Applicable to Common Stockholders per Common Share

We calculated net loss per share in accordance with ASC 260. We have determined that our previously outstanding Series A, Series B, Series C and Series C-1 preferred stock represent participating securities in accordance with ASC 260. However, since we operate at a loss, and losses are not allocated to the preferred stock, the two class method does not affect our calculation of earnings per share. We had a net loss from continuing operations for all periods presented; accordingly, the inclusion of common stock options and warrants would be anti-dilutive. Dilutive common stock equivalents would include the dilutive effect of convertible securities, common stock options, warrants for convertible securities and warrants for common stock equivalents. Potentially dilutive weighted average common stock equivalents totaled approximately 1,663,298 and 24,656,608 for the three months ended March 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively. Potentially dilutive common stock equivalents were excluded from the diluted earnings per share denominator for all periods of net loss from continuing operations because of their anti-dilutive effect. Therefore, for the three months ended March 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively, the weighted average shares used to calculate both basic and diluted loss per share are the same.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

Our discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations are based on our financial statements which have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the U.S. The preparation of these financial statements requires us to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses. On an ongoing basis, we evaluate these estimates and judgments, including those described below. We base our estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions that we believe to be reasonable under the circumstances. These estimates and assumptions form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results and experiences may differ materially from these estimates. We believe that the following accounting policies are the most critical to aid you in fully understanding and evaluating our reported financial results and affect the more significant judgments and estimates that we use in the preparation of our financial statements.

Table of Contents***Clinical Trial Prepaid and Accrued Expenses***

We record prepaid assets and accrued liabilities related to clinical trials associated with contract research organizations, clinical trial investigators and other vendors based upon amounts paid and the estimated amount of work completed on each clinical trial. The financial terms of agreements vary from vendor to vendor and may result in uneven payment flows. As such, if we have advanced funds exceeding our estimate of the work completed, we record a prepaid asset. If our estimate of the work completed exceeds the amount paid, an accrued liability is recorded. All such costs are charged to research and development expenses based on these estimates. Our estimates may or may not match the actual services performed by the organizations as determined by patient enrollment levels and related activities. We monitor patient enrollment levels and related activities to the extent possible through internal reviews, correspondence and discussions with our contract research organization and review of contractual terms. However, if we have incomplete or inaccurate information, we may underestimate or overestimate activity levels associated with various clinical trials at a given point in time. In this event, we could record significant research and development expenses in future periods when the actual level of activities becomes known. To date, we have not experienced material changes in these estimates. Additionally, we do not expect material adjustments to research and development expenses to result from changes in the nature and level of clinical trial activity and related expenses that are currently subject to estimation. In the future, as we expand our clinical trial activities, we expect to have increased levels of research and development costs that will be subject to estimation.

Research and Development Costs

Research and development expenditures are expensed as incurred, pursuant to ASC 730. Costs to license technology to be used in our research and development that have not reached technological feasibility, defined as FDA approval for our current product candidates, and have no alternative future use are expensed when incurred. Payments to licensors that relate to the achievement of preapproval development milestones are recorded as research and development expense when incurred.

Stock-Based Compensation

Effective January 1, 2005, we adopted the fair value recognition provisions of ASC 718 using the modified prospective application method. We recognize the grant date fair value as compensation cost of employee stock-based awards using the straight-line method over the actual vesting period, adjusted for our estimates of forfeiture.

Typically, we grant stock options with a requisite service period of four years from the grant date. We have elected to use the Black-Scholes option pricing model to determine the fair value of stock-based awards.

We concluded that this was the most appropriate method by which to value our share-based payment arrangements, but if any share-based payment instruments should be granted for which the Black-Scholes method does not meet the measurement objective as stated within ASC 718, we will utilize a more appropriate method for valuing that instrument. However, we do not believe that any instruments granted to date and accounted for under ASC 718 would require a method other than the Black-Scholes method.

Our determination of the fair market value of share-based payment awards on the grant date using option valuation models requires the input of highly subjective assumptions, including the expected price volatility and option life. For the calculation of expected volatility, because we lack significant company-specific historical and implied volatility information, we estimate our volatility by utilizing an average of volatilities of publicly traded companies, including our own, deemed similar to us in terms of product composition, stage of lifecycle, capitalization and scope of operations. We intend to continue to consistently apply this process using this same index until a sufficient amount of historical information regarding the volatility of our own share price becomes available.

To estimate the expected term, we utilize the simplified method for plain vanilla options as discussed within the Securities and Exchange Commission's (SEC) Statement of Accounting Bulletin (SAB) 107. We believe that all factors listed within SAB 107 as pre-requisites for utilizing the simplified method are true for us and for our share-based payment arrangements. We intend to utilize the simplified method for the foreseeable future until more detailed information about exercise behavior will be more widely available.

Total stock-based compensation expense related to all our stock option awards for the three months ended March 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively, was comprised of the following:

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2011 (Unaudited)	Three Months Ended March 31, 2010 (Unaudited)
	(In thousands)	
Marketing	\$ 97	\$ 11
Research and development	101	38
General and administrative	217	59
Total employee stock-based compensation expense	\$ 415	\$ 108

Table of Contents**Income Taxes**

We recognize deferred tax assets and liabilities for temporary differences between the financial reporting basis and the tax basis of its assets and liabilities in accordance with ASC 740. We evaluate the positive and negative evidence bearing upon the realizability of our deferred tax assets on an annual basis. Significant management judgment is involved in determining the provision for income taxes, deferred tax assets and liabilities, and any valuation allowance recorded against net deferred tax assets. Due to uncertainties with respect to the realization of our deferred tax assets due to our history of operating losses, a valuation allowance has been established against our deferred tax asset balances to reduce the net carrying value to an amount that is more likely than not to be realized. As a result we have fully reserved against the deferred tax asset balances. The valuation allowances are based on our estimates of taxable income in the jurisdictions in which we operate and the period over which deferred tax assets will be recoverable. In the event that actual results differ from these estimates or we adjust these estimates in future periods, a change in the valuation allowance may be needed, which could materially impact our financial position and results of operations. Our deferred tax assets primarily consist of net operating loss (NOL) carry-forwards. At March 31, 2011 we had federal NOL carry-forwards of approximately \$102.3 million and state NOL carry-forwards of approximately \$85.5 million, respectively, that are available to reduce future income otherwise taxable. If not utilized, the federal NOL carry-forwards will expire at various dates between 2023 and 2030 and the state NOL carry-forwards will expire at various dates between 2020 and 2030. If it is determined that significant ownership changes have occurred since these NOLs were generated, we may be subject to annual limitations on the use of these NOLs under Internal Revenue Code Section 382 (or comparable provisions of state law). We have not yet completed a formal evaluation of whether our IPO resulted in certain changes in ownership that would limit our ability to utilize a portion of our NOL carry-forwards.

In the event that we were to determine that we are able to realize any of our net deferred tax assets in the future, an adjustment to the valuation allowance would increase net income in the period such determination was made. We believe that the most significant uncertainty that will impact the determination of our valuation allowance will be our estimation of the extent and timing of future net income, if any.

We considered our income tax positions for uncertainty in accordance with ASC 740. We believe our income tax filing positions and deductions are more likely than not of being sustained on audit and do not anticipate any adjustments that will result in a material change to our financial position; therefore, we have not recorded ASC 740 liabilities. We recognize accrued interest and penalties related to unrecognized tax benefits as interest expense and income tax expense, respectively, in our statements of operations. Our tax years since 2003 remain subject to examination in Georgia, Tennessee, and on the federal level. We do not anticipate any material changes to our uncertain tax positions within the next 12 months.

Results of Operations

The following selected unaudited financial and operating data are derived from our financial statements and should be read in conjunction with Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and our financial statements.

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2011	2010
	(In thousands)	
RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT EXPENSES	\$ 1,757	\$ 3,065
GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	1,540	904
MARKETING EXPENSES	1,117	247
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	4,414	4,216
INTEREST AND OTHER INCOME	12	2
INTEREST EXPENSE	(295)	(474)
DECREASE IN FAIR VALUE OF DERIVATIVE		3,265

LOSS FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS	\$ (4,697)	\$ (1,423)
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Three months ended March 31, 2011 compared to the three months ended March 31, 2010

Research and development expenses. Research and development expenses decreased by approximately \$1.4 million, or 45.2%, to approximately \$1.7 million for the three months ended March 31, 2011 compared to approximately \$3.1 million for the three months ended March 31, 2010. The decrease was primarily attributable to a decrease in costs for our FAME Study of approximately \$1.5 million primarily attributable to decreases of \$560,000 for our CRO, \$510,000 for clinical trial site costs, and \$130,000 for our third party reading center for the analysis of retinal images as the FAME Study was completed in 2010, and \$200,000 for the preparation of retinal images for our NDA incurred in the first quarter of 2010. Offsetting this decrease was an increase of approximately \$220,000 in costs associated with contracting medical science liaisons to engage with retina specialists in the study of ILUVIEN.

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General and administrative expenses. General and administrative expenses increased by approximately \$600,000, or 66.7%, to approximately \$1.5 million for the three months ended March 31, 2011 compared to approximately \$900,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2010. The increase was primarily attributable to increases of approximately \$270,000 in costs incurred after our IPO in April 2010 associated with operating as a public company including primarily additional audit, tax and legal fees, increased directors and officers insurance costs, and board of directors compensation, \$160,000 in higher stock compensation costs, and \$120,000 in higher salary costs.

Marketing expenses. Marketing expenses increased by approximately \$900,000 or 450.0%, to approximately \$1.1 million for the three months ended March 31, 2011 compared to approximately \$200,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2010. This increase was primarily attributable to increases of approximately \$530,000 in compensation costs related to the hiring of additional key personnel in the second half of 2010 in advance of the launch of ILUVIEN previously anticipated to occur in the first half of 2011, and \$230,000 in costs related to our advertising agency's development of a detailed advertising and promotional plan for the commercial launch of ILUVIEN.

Interest expense. Interest expense decreased by approximately \$200,000, or 40.0%, to approximately \$300,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2011 compared to approximately \$500,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2010. Interest expense for the three months ended March 31, 2011 was incurred in connection with our Credit Facility with Silicon Valley Bank and MidCap Financial LLP, secured in the fourth quarter of 2010. Interest expense for the three months ended March 31, 2010 was incurred in connection with our \$15.0 million dollar promissory note payable to pSivida. Our promissory note to pSivida was repaid in April 2010.

Decrease in fair value of preferred stock conversion feature. For the three months ended March 31, 2010, we recognized a gain of approximately \$3.3 million related to the decrease of the fair value of the conversion feature of our preferred stock. The conversion feature of our preferred stock was eliminated in connection with our IPO in April 2010.

Income from discontinued operations

We recognized income from discontinued operations during the three months ended March 31, 2010 of \$4.0 million for a payment we received from Bausch & Lomb. This payment was related to the exercise by Bausch & Lomb of its option to extend by two years the period during which it may continue to develop an allergy product acquired from us in 2006. We did not have any income or loss from discontinued operations for the three months ended March 31, 2011.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

To date we have incurred recurring losses, negative cash flow from operations, and have accumulated a deficit of \$193.6 million from our inception through March 31, 2011. Prior to our IPO in April 2010, we funded our operations through the private placement of common stock, preferred stock, preferred stock warrants and convertible debt, as well as by the sale of certain assets of the non-prescription business in which we were previously engaged. On April 21, 2010, our Registration Statement on Form S-1 (as amended) was declared effective by the SEC for our IPO, pursuant to which we sold 6,550,000 shares of our common stock at a public offering price of \$11.00 per share. We received net proceeds of approximately \$68.4 million from this transaction, after deducting underwriting discounts and commissions. In October 2010, we obtained a \$32.5 million senior secured credit facility (Credit Facility) to help fund our working capital requirements. The Credit Facility consists of a \$20.0 million working capital revolver and a \$12.5 million term loan. The lenders have advanced \$6.25 million under the term loan and may advance the remaining \$6.25 million following FDA approval of ILUVIEN, but no later than July 31, 2011. Given the status of the FDA's review of the ILUVIEN NDA, it is unlikely that FDA approval would occur prior to July 31, 2011. We are in discussions with the lenders to amend the terms of the Credit Facility to, among other things, extend the availability of the term loan and the working capital revolver. However, there are no assurances that the Credit Facility will be amended. We may draw on the working capital revolver against eligible, domestic accounts receivable, as defined, subsequent to the launch of ILUVIEN. To secure the repayment of any amounts borrowed under the Term Loan Agreement, we granted to the Lenders a first priority security interest in all of our assets, other than our intellectual property, provided that, for any date during which the notes are outstanding, our unrestricted balance sheet cash and cash equivalents plus the excess available under the Term Loan Agreement is less than the

product of six times the monthly cash burn amount. In the event we fail to meet this financial condition, a curable lien will be imposed on our intellectual property. Should such a lien event take place, the lien would remain in force until such date that the Company's unrestricted cash and cash equivalents plus the excess available under the Term Loan Agreement was equal to or greater than twelve times the monthly cash burn amount. We also agreed not to pledge or otherwise encumber our intellectual property assets. Additionally, we must seek the lenders' approval prior to the payment of any cash dividends. As of March 31, 2011, we had approximately \$49.5 million in cash and cash equivalents and \$500,000 of investments. We believe that we have sufficient funds available to fund our operations through the projected commercialization of ILUVIEN and the expected generation of revenue in late 2011. The commercialization of ILUVIEN is dependent upon approval by the FDA, however, and we cannot be sure that ILUVIEN will be approved by the FDA or that, if approved, future sales of ILUVIEN will generate enough revenue to fund the Company's operations beyond its commercialization. Due to the uncertainty around FDA approval, management cannot be certain that we will not need additional funds for the commercialization of ILUVIEN. If ILUVIEN is not approved, or if approved, does not generate sufficient revenue, we may adjust our commercial plans so that we can continue to operate with our existing cash resources or seek to raise additional financing.

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In the event additional financing is needed or desired, we may seek to fund our operations through the sale of equity securities, strategic collaboration agreements and debt financing. We cannot be sure that additional financing from any of these sources will be available when needed or that, if available, the additional financing will be obtained on terms favorable to us or our stockholders especially in light of the current difficult financial environment. If we raise additional funds by issuing equity securities, substantial dilution to existing stockholders would likely result and the terms of any new equity securities may have a preference over our common stock. If we attempt to raise additional funds through strategic collaboration agreements and debt financing, we may not be successful in obtaining collaboration agreements, or in receiving milestone or royalty payments under those agreements, or the terms of the debt may involve significant cash payment obligations as well as covenants and specific financial ratios that may restrict our ability to commercialize our product candidates or operate our business.

As of March 31, 2011, we had \$50.0 million in cash, cash equivalents and short term government backed securities. We have invested a substantial portion of our available cash in money market funds placed with a reputable financial institution for which credit loss is not anticipated. We have established guidelines relating to diversification and maturities of our investments to preserve principle and maintain liquidity.

For the three months ended March 31, 2011, cash used in our continuing operations of \$5.0 million was primarily due to our net loss from continuing operations of \$4.7 million offset by non-cash stock-based compensation and other expense of \$440,000. Further increasing our cash used in continuing operations was a net decrease in accounts payable, accrued expenses and other current liabilities of \$1.1 million, offset by a decrease in prepaid expenses and other current assets of \$230,000. Accounts payable, accrued expenses and other current liabilities decreased primarily due to net decreases of \$620,000 of amounts paid to providers of advertising, corporate communications, and medical marketing services for pre-launch activities due to the postponement of the launch of ILUVIEN previously anticipated to occur in the first half of 2011, \$410,000 of amounts paid to investigators in our FAME study, and \$280,000 of accrued compensation that was paid in the first quarter. Prepaid and other current assets decreased primarily due to the collection of interest receivable on a portion of our investment portfolio that matured during the three months ended March 31, 2011.

For the three months ended March 31, 2010, cash used in our continuing operations of \$4.6 million was primarily due to our net loss from continuing operations of \$1.4 million increased by a non-cash gain of \$3.3 million related to the change in fair value of our preferred stock conversion feature and offset by a non-cash charge of \$110,000 in stock-based compensation and other expense. Further increasing our net losses from continuing operations were increases in accounts payable and accrued expenses and other current liabilities of \$200,000 and in prepaid expenses and other current assets of \$120,000, and a decrease in other long-term liabilities of \$180,000. The increase in accounts payable and accrued and other current liabilities is primarily attributable to increases of \$400,000 of clinical trial expenses, \$360,000 of accrued short-term interest on the pSivida note payable, \$240,000 of deferred financing accrued in connection with our IPO, and \$170,000 of professional services fees accrued for the preparation of our new drug application for ILUVIEN, offset by a decrease of \$1.5 million of clinical trial site accruals for payments to our investigators. Prepaid expenses and other current assets increased primarily due to \$200,000 of advances to third-party manufacturers of ILUVIEN. The increase in other long-term liabilities is due to a portion of the interest accrued on our promissory note to pSivida moving to a current liability.

For the three months ended March 31, 2011, net cash from our investing activities of continuing operations was \$25.8 million, which was due to the maturation of investments. For the three months ended March 31, 2010, cash provided primarily by our investing activities of \$4.0 million was provided by our discontinued operations when we received \$4.0 million from Bausch & Lomb upon the exercise by Bausch & Lomb of its option to extend the period during which it may continue to develop an allergy product acquired from us in 2006 by two years.

For the three months ended March 31, 2011, net cash provided by our financing activities was \$110,000, which was primarily attributable to proceeds from the exercise of stock options. For the three months ended March 31, 2010, net cash provided by our financing activities was \$10.1 million which was primarily attributable to the net proceeds of \$9.9 million received from the exercise of Series C-1 preferred stock warrants, and proceeds of \$150,000 from the exercise of common stock warrants.

Contractual Obligations and Commitments

There have been no other material changes to our contractual obligations and commitments outside the ordinary course of business from those disclosed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010, filed with the SEC on March 25, 2011.

Table of Contents***Our Credit Facility******Term Loan Agreement***

On October 14, 2010 (Effective Date), we entered into a Loan and Security Agreement with Silicon Valley Bank and MidCap Financial LLP (Lenders) under which we may borrow up to \$12.5 million (Term Loan Agreement). The lenders advanced \$6.25 million on the Effective Date (Initial Tranche) and may advance the remaining \$6.25 million following FDA approval of ILUVIEN, but no later than July 31, 2011 (Second Tranche). Given the status of the FDA's review of the NDA for ILUVIEN, it is unlikely that FDA approval would occur prior to July 31, 2011. We are in discussions with the Lenders to amend the terms of the Term Loan Agreement to, among other things, extend the availability of the term loan. However, there are no assurances that the Term Loan Agreement will be amended. To secure the repayment of any amounts borrowed under the Term Loan Agreement, we granted to the lenders a first priority security interest in all of our assets, other than our intellectual property (provided that in the event we fail to meet certain financial conditions, a curable lien will be imposed on our intellectual property). We also agreed not to pledge or otherwise encumber our intellectual property assets.

We are required to maintain our primary operating and other deposit accounts and securities accounts with Silicon Valley Bank, which accounts must represent at least 50% of the dollar value of our accounts at all financial institutions.

We will be required to pay interest on the Initial Tranche at a rate of 11.5% on a monthly basis through July 31, 2011. Thereafter, we will be required to repay the principal, plus interest at such rate if the Second Tranche were advanced to us prior to February 28, 2011 (and plus interest at a rate of 12% if the Second Tranche were advanced to us after February 28, 2011), in 27 equal monthly installments. We did not draw the Second Tranche prior to February 28, 2011. We paid to the lenders an upfront fee of \$62,500, and will pay to the lenders an additional final payment of 3% of the total principal amount. In addition, if we repay the Initial Tranche or the Second Tranche (if it is advanced to us) prior to maturity, we will pay to the lenders a prepayment penalty of 5% of the total principal amount if the prepayment occurs within one year after the Effective Date, 3% of the total principal amount if the prepayment occurs between one and two years after the Effective Date and 1% of the total principal amount if the prepayment occurs thereafter (each a Prepayment Penalty), provided in each case that such Prepayment Penalty will be reduced by 50% in the event we are acquired.

To secure the repayment of any amounts borrowed under the Term Loan Agreement, we granted to the Lenders a first priority security interest in all of our assets, other than our intellectual property, provided that, for any date during which the notes are outstanding, our unrestricted balance sheet cash and cash equivalents plus the excess available under the Term Loan Agreement are less than the product of six times the monthly cash burn amount. In the event we fail to meet this financial condition, a curable lien will be imposed on our intellectual property. Should such a lien event take place, the lien would remain in force until such date that the Company's unrestricted cash and cash equivalents plus the excess available under the Term Loan Agreement were equal to or greater than twelve times the monthly cash burn amount. We also agreed not to pledge or otherwise encumber our intellectual property assets. Additionally, we must seek the Lenders' approval prior to the payment of any cash dividends.

In connection with entering into this agreement, we issued to the Lenders warrants to purchase an aggregate of up to 39,773 shares of our common stock. Each of the warrants is exercisable immediately, has a per-share exercise price of \$11.00 and has a term of 10 years. In addition, the Lenders will have certain registration rights with respect to the shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of the warrants. We estimated the aggregate fair value of the warrants, using the Black-Scholes model, to be \$389,000. We allocated a portion of the proceeds from the Term Loan Agreement to the warrants in accordance with ASC 470-20-25-2, Debt Instruments with Detachable Warrants. As a result, we recorded a discount of \$366,000 which is being amortized to interest expense using the effective interest method. If the Second Tranche is advanced to us, we will issue to the lenders warrants to purchase an aggregate of up to 39,773 shares of our common stock.

Working Capital Revolver

Also on the Effective Date, we and Silicon Valley Bank entered into a Loan and Security Agreement (Working Capital Revolver), pursuant to which we obtained a secured revolving line of credit from Silicon Valley Bank with borrowing availability up to \$20.0 million. The Company is in discussions with the lenders to amend the terms of the

Working Capital Revolver to, among other things, extend its availability.

The Working Capital Revolver provides for a working capital-based revolving line of credit in an aggregate amount of up to the lesser of (i) \$20.0 million, or (ii) 85% of eligible domestic accounts receivable. The Working Capital Revolver matures on October 31, 2013.

Amounts advanced under the Working Capital Revolver bear interest at an annual rate equal to Silicon Valley Bank's prime rate plus 2.50% (with a rate floor of 6.50%). Interest on the Working Capital Revolver is due monthly, with the balance due at the maturity date. We paid to Silicon Valley Bank an upfront fee of \$100,000. In addition, if we terminate the Working Capital Revolver prior to maturity, we will pay to Silicon Valley Bank a fee of \$400,000 if the termination occurs within one year after the Effective Date and a fee of \$200,000 if the termination occurs more than one year after the Effective Date (each a Termination Fee), provided in each case that such Termination Fee will be reduced by 50% in the event we are acquired.

To secure the repayment of any amounts borrowed under the Working Capital Revolver, we granted to Silicon Valley Bank a first priority security interest in all of our assets, other than our intellectual property, provided that, for any date during which the notes are outstanding, our unrestricted balance sheet cash and cash equivalents plus the excess available under the Term Loan Agreement are less than the product of six times the monthly cash burn amount. In the event we fail to meet this financial condition, a curable lien will be imposed on our intellectual property. Should such a lien event take place, the lien would remain in force until such date that our unrestricted cash and cash equivalents plus the excess available under the Term Loan Agreement were equal to or greater than twelve times the monthly cash burn amount. We also agreed not to pledge or otherwise encumber its intellectual property assets. Additionally, we must seek Silicon Valley Bank's approval prior to the payment of any cash dividends.

The occurrence of an event of default could result in the acceleration of our obligations under the Working Capital Revolver and an increase to the applicable interest rate, and would permit Silicon Valley Bank to exercise remedies with respect to the collateral under the Revolving Loan Agreement.

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Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

We do not have any relationships with unconsolidated entities or financial partnerships, such as entities often referred to as structured finance or special purpose entities, that would have been established for the purpose of facilitating off-balance sheet arrangements (as that term is defined in Item 303(a)(4)(ii) of Regulation S-K) or other contractually narrow or limited purposes. As such, we are not exposed to any financing, liquidity, market or credit risk that could arise if we had engaged in those types of relationships. We enter into guarantees in the ordinary course of business related to the guarantee of our own performance.

New Accounting Pronouncements

From time to time, new accounting pronouncements are issued by the Financial Accounting Standards Board, or FASB, or other standard setting bodies that are adopted by us as of the specified effective date. Unless otherwise discussed, we believe that the impact of recently issued standards that are not yet effective will not have a material impact on our financial position or results of operations upon adoption.

ITEM 3 Qualitative and Quantitative Disclosures about Market Risk

We are exposed to market risk related to changes in interest rates. As of March 31, 2011, we had approximately \$50.0 million in cash, cash equivalents, and investments. Our primary exposure to market risk is interest income sensitivity, which is affected by changes in the general level of U.S. interest rates, particularly because our investments are in short-term securities. Due to the short-term duration of our investment portfolio and the low risk profile of our investments, an immediate 10% change in interest rates would not have a material effect on the fair market value of our portfolio. Accordingly, we would not expect our operating results or cash flows to be affected to any significant degree by the effect of a sudden change in market interest rates on our securities portfolio.

We contract for the conduct of some of our clinical trials and other research and development activities with contract research organizations and investigational sites in the U.S., Europe and India. We may be subject to exposure to fluctuations in foreign exchange rates in connection with these agreements. We do not hedge our foreign currency exposures. We have not used derivative financial instruments for speculation or trading purposes.

ITEM 4 Controls and Procedures

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

We maintain disclosure controls and procedures that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in our periodic reports filed with the SEC is recorded, processed and summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the rules and forms of the SEC and that such information is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow for timely decisions regarding required disclosure. In designing and evaluating the disclosure controls and procedures, our management recognizes that any controls and procedures, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable assurance of achieving the desired control objectives, and no evaluation of controls and procedures can provide absolute assurance that all control issues and instances of fraud, if any, have been detected. Our management is required to apply its judgment in evaluating the cost-benefit relationship of possible controls and procedures. Under the supervision and with the participation of the our management, including the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, we evaluated the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Exchange Act) as of March 31, 2011. Based upon that evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures are effective as of March 31, 2011, the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, to ensure that the information required to be disclosed by us in the reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosures.

Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

There has been no change in our internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) of the Exchange Act) during the three months ended March 31, 2011 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

Table of Contents**PART II. OTHER INFORMATION****ITEM 1A Risk Factors**

In our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2010, filed with the SEC on March 25, 2011, we identify under Item 1A important factors which could affect our business, financial condition, results of operations and future operations and could cause our actual results for future periods to differ materially from our anticipated results or other expectations, including those expressed in any forward-looking statements made in this Form 10-Q. There have been no material changes in our risk factors subsequent to the filing of our Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2010. However, the risks described in our Form 10-K are not the only risks we face. Additional risks and uncertainties that we currently deem to be immaterial or not currently known to us, as well as other risks reported from time to time in our reports to the SEC, also could cause our actual results to differ materially from our anticipated results or other expectations.

ITEM 2 Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

On April 21, 2010, our Registration Statement on Form S-1 (File No. 333-162782) was declared effective by the SEC for our IPO, pursuant to which we sold 6,550,000 shares of our common stock at a public offering price of \$11.00 per share. We received net proceeds of approximately \$66.1 million from this transaction, after deducting underwriting discounts, commissions and other offering costs. On April 27, 2010 we paid \$15.2 million to pSivida to satisfy our \$15.0 million note payable and accrued but unpaid interest thereon.

There have been no material changes in our use or planned use of proceeds from the IPO from that described in our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2010, filed with the SEC on June 7, 2010.

ITEM 6 Exhibits

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31.1	Certification of the Principal Executive Officer, as required by Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
31.2	Certification of the Principal Financial Officer, as required by Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.1	Certification of the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as required by Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

The certification attached as Exhibit 32.1 that accompanies this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q is not deemed filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission and is not to be incorporated by reference into any filing of Alimera Sciences, Inc. under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, whether made before or after the date of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, irrespective of any general incorporation language contained in such filing.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

Alimera Sciences, Inc.

/s/ C. Daniel Myers

C. Daniel Myers

Chief Executive Officer and President

(Principal executive officer)

May 9, 2011

/s/ Richard S. Eiswirth, Jr.

Richard S. Eiswirth, Jr.

**Chief Operating Officer and Chief Financial
Officer**

(Principal financial and accounting officer)

May 9, 2011

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