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

FOR THE QUARTERLY PERIOD ENDED **March 31, 2015**

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: **001-33415**

OREXIGEN THERAPEUTICS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

65-1178822

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

3344 North Torrey Pines Court, Suite 200, La Jolla, CA
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

92037
(Zip Code)

(858) 875-8600

(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 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", "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

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

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

As of May 1, 2015, the registrant had 125,219,896 shares of Common Stock (\$0.001 par value) outstanding.

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PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Orexigen Therapeutics, Inc.
Balance Sheets
(In thousands, except share and par value amounts)

	March 31, 2015 (Unaudited)	December 31, 2014 (See Note below)
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 75,075	\$ 104,243
Accounts receivable	4,530	2,571
Investment securities, available-for-sale	113,570	101,294
Inventory	1,356	1,198
Deferred tax assets	547	547
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	1,277	1,473
Total current assets	196,355	211,326
Property and equipment, net	817	857
Other long-term assets	612	621
Restricted cash	177	177
Total assets	<u>\$ 197,961</u>	<u>\$ 212,981</u>
Liabilities and stockholders' equity		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 2,460	\$ 4,243
Accrued clinical trial expenses	9,726	10,690
Accrued expenses	5,454	6,552
Deferred revenue, current portion	8,229	8,229
Total current liabilities	25,869	29,714
Long-term convertible debt	84,933	83,908
Deferred revenue, less current portion	74,057	76,114
Deferred tax liabilities	547	547
Other long-term liabilities	305	354
Commitments and contingencies		
Stockholders' equity:		
Preferred stock, \$.001 par value, 10,000,000 shares authorized at March 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014; no shares issued and outstanding at March 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014	—	—
Common stock, \$.001 par value, 300,000,000 shares authorized at March 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014; 124,914,339 and 123,460,598 shares issued and outstanding at March 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014, respectively	125	123
Additional paid-in capital	581,341	574,247
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	16	(26)
Accumulated deficit	(569,232)	(552,000)
Total stockholders' equity	12,250	22,344
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	<u>\$ 197,961</u>	<u>\$ 212,981</u>

See accompanying notes.

Note: The Balance Sheet at December 31, 2014 has been derived from the audited financial statements at that date.

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Orexigen Therapeutics, Inc.
Statements of Operations
(In thousands, except per share amounts)
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31,	
	2015	2014
Revenues:		
Collaborative agreement	\$ 2,057	\$ 857
Royalties	2,302	—
Total revenues	4,359	857
Operating expenses:		
Research and development	11,242	17,001
General and administrative	8,584	7,010
Total operating expenses	19,826	24,011
Loss from operations	(15,467)	(23,154)
Other income (expense):		
Interest income	63	26
Interest and other expense	(1,829)	(1,770)
Total other expense	(1,766)	(1,744)
Net loss	\$ (17,233)	\$ (24,898)
Basic and diluted net loss per share	\$ (0.14)	\$ (0.23)
Basic and diluted shares used in computing net loss per share	123,884	109,249

See accompanying notes.

Orexigen Therapeutics, Inc.
Statements of Comprehensive Income (Loss)
(In thousands)
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31,	
	2015	2014
Net Loss	\$(17,233)	\$(24,898)
Other comprehensive income (loss)		
Unrealized gain on investment securities	42	9
Other comprehensive income	42	9
Comprehensive income loss	<u>\$(17,191)</u>	<u>\$(24,889)</u>

See accompanying notes.

Orexigen Therapeutics, Inc.
Statements of Cash Flows
(In thousands)
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31,	
	2015	2014
Operating activities		
Net loss	\$ (17,233)	\$(24,898)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Amortization of premium on securities available-for-sale	260	222
Accretion of debt discount	1,025	942
Depreciation	51	8
Stock-based compensation	4,109	3,597
Deferred revenue	(2,057)	(857)
Other non-cash adjustments	14	10
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable	(1,959)	(6)
Inventory	(158)	—
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	196	3
Other assets	(4)	119
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	(3,845)	(1,189)
Deferred rent and lease incentives	(48)	105
Net cash used in operating activities	(19,649)	(21,944)
Investing activities		
Purchases of securities available-for-sale	(37,594)	(50,115)
Maturities of securities available-for-sale	25,100	11,250
Purchase of property and equipment	(11)	(28)
Net cash used in investing activities	(12,505)	(38,893)
Financing activities		
Proceeds from issuance of common stock	2,986	279
Net cash provided by financing activities	2,986	279
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(29,168)	(60,558)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	104,243	98,121
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	<u>\$ 75,075</u>	<u>\$ 37,563</u>

See accompanying notes.

OREXIGEN THERAPEUTICS, INC.
NOTES TO UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. The Company and Basis of Presentation

Organization

Orexigen Therapeutics, Inc. (the “Company”), a Delaware corporation, is a biopharmaceutical company focused on the development of pharmaceutical product candidates for the treatment of obesity. The Company was incorporated in September 2002 and commenced operations in 2003.

The Company’s primary activities since incorporation have been organizational activities, including recruiting personnel, conducting research and development, including clinical trials, raising capital, and preparing for the marketing and commercialization of its sole product, Contrave, in the United States. Contrave was launched commercially in the United States by the Company’s partner, Takeda Pharmaceutical Company Limited (“Takeda”), in October 2014. In addition, the Company has experienced losses since its inception, and as of March 31, 2015, had an accumulated deficit of \$569.2 million. The Company expects to continue to incur losses for at least the next several years. Successful transition to attaining profitable operations is dependent upon achieving a level of revenues adequate to support the Company’s cost structure, and until that time, the Company may need to continue to raise additional equity or debt financing.

Basis of Presentation

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

The balance sheet as of December 31, 2014 has been derived from the audited financial statements as of December 31, 2014 but does not include all information and footnotes required by U.S. generally accepted accounting principles for complete financial statements. For more complete financial information, the accompanying unaudited financial statements and notes thereto should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2014 included in the Company’s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Research and Development Costs

All research and development costs are charged to expense as incurred and consist principally of costs related to clinical trials, license fees and salaries and related benefits. Clinical trial costs are a significant component of research and development expenses. These costs are accrued based on estimates of work performed, and require estimates of total costs incurred based on patients enrolled, progress of clinical studies and other events. Clinical trial costs are subject to revision as the trials progress and revisions are charged to expense in the period in which they become known.

Revenue Recognition

The Company has entered into agreements with Takeda which contain multiple elements, including nonrefundable upfront fees, payments associated with achieving specific development milestones and royalties based on specified percentages of net product sales.

Prior to the revised multiple element and milestone method of revenue recognition guidance adopted by the Company on January 1, 2011, nonrefundable, up-front license fees and milestone payments with standalone value that are not dependent on any future performance by the Company under the agreements were recognized as revenue upon the earlier of when payments were received or collection was assured, but were deferred if the Company had continuing performance obligations. If the Company had continuing involvement through contractual obligations under such agreements, such up-front fees were deferred and recognized over the period for which the Company continued to have a performance obligation. The collaboration agreement with Takeda has continuing obligations, and as a result the up-front fees were deferred upon receipt.

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Effective January 1, 2011, for multiple element agreements entered into or materially modified after December 31, 2010, the Company follows the provisions of Accounting Standards Update (“ASU”) No. 2009-13. In order to account for the multiple-element arrangements, the Company identifies the deliverables included within the agreement and evaluates which deliverables represent separate units of accounting. Analyzing the arrangement to identify deliverables requires the use of judgment, and each deliverable may be an obligation to deliver services, a right or license to use an asset, or another performance obligation. A delivered item is considered a separate unit of accounting when the delivered item has value to the partner on a standalone basis based on the consideration of the relevant facts and circumstances for each arrangement. Factors considered in this determination include the research capabilities of the partner and the availability of research expertise in this field in the general marketplace. Arrangement consideration is allocated at the inception of the agreement to all identified units of accounting based on their relative selling price. The relative selling price for each deliverable is determined using vendor-specific objective evidence (“VSOE”) of selling price or third-party evidence of selling price if VSOE does not exist. If neither VSOE nor third-party evidence of selling price exists, we use our best estimate of the selling price for the deliverable. The amount of allocable arrangement consideration is limited to amounts that are fixed or determinable. The consideration received is allocated among the separate units of accounting, and the applicable revenue recognition criteria are applied to each of the separate units. Changes in the allocation of the sales price between delivered and undelivered elements can impact revenue recognition but do not change the total revenue recognized under any agreement. Upfront license fee payments are recognized upon delivery of the license if facts and circumstances dictate that the license has standalone value from the undelivered items, which generally include research and development services and the manufacture of drug products, the relative selling price allocation of the license is equal to or exceeds the upfront license fee, persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, the Company’s price to the partner is fixed or determinable, and collectability is reasonably assured.

Upfront license fee payments are deferred if facts and circumstances dictate that the license does not have standalone value. The determination of the length of the period over which to defer revenue is subject to judgment and estimation and can have a material impact on the amount of revenue recognized in a given period.

The terms of the Company’s partnership agreements provide for milestone payments upon achievement of certain regulatory/development and sales-based events. Effective January 1, 2011, the Company adopted on a prospective basis the guidance under ASU No. 2010-17, “*Revenue Recognition-Milestone Method*”. Under the Milestone Method of accounting, the Company recognizes consideration that is contingent upon the achievement of a milestone in its entirety as revenue in the period in which the milestone is achieved only if the milestone is substantive in its entirety. A milestone is considered substantive when it meets all of the following three criteria: 1) The consideration is commensurate with either the entity’s performance to achieve the milestone or the enhancement of the value of the delivered item(s) as a result of a specific outcome resulting from the entity’s performance to achieve the milestone, 2) The consideration relates solely to past performance, and 3) The consideration is reasonable relative to all of the deliverables and payment terms within the arrangement. A milestone is defined as an event (i) that can only be achieved based in whole or in part on either the entity’s performance or on the occurrence of a specific outcome resulting from the entity’s performance, (ii) for which there is substantive uncertainty at the date the arrangement is entered into that the event will be achieved and (iii) that would result in additional payments being due to the Company. Any milestone payments that do not satisfy these revenue recognition criteria are recorded over the remaining life of the agreements with a cumulative catch up adjustment for the portion of the milestone earned from the inception of the agreement to the expected term of the agreement. The excess of the milestone paid and the amount recognized in the cumulative catch up adjustment is recorded as deferred revenue and recognized over the remaining expected term of the agreement.

Royalties to be received based on sales of the Company’s licensed products by partners will be recognized as earned.

Inventory

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost (using a first-in, first-out basis) or market. Inventory costs including raw materials and finished goods that may be associated with its products prior to regulatory approval are charged to research and development expense prior to such approval on a country-specific basis.

Recently Issued Accounting Standards

In May 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued new accounting guidance related to revenue recognition. This new standard will replace all current generally accepted accounting principles guidance on this topic and eliminate all industry-specific guidance. The new revenue recognition standard provides a unified model to determine when and how revenue is recognized. The core principle is that a company should recognize revenue to depict the transfer of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration for which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. This guidance will be effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2016, including interim periods within that reporting period, and can be applied either retrospectively to each period presented or as a cumulative-effect adjustment as of the date of adoption. Early adoption is prohibited. The Company is evaluating the impact of adopting this new accounting standard on its financial statements and related disclosures.

In April 2015, the FASB issued new guidance to simplify the presentation of debt issuance costs by requiring debt issuance costs to be presented as a deduction from the corresponding debt liability. This will make the presentation of debt issuance costs consistent with the presentation of debt discounts or premiums. Current guidance generally requires entities to capitalize costs paid to third parties that are directly related to issuing debt and that otherwise wouldn’t be incurred and present those amounts separately as deferred charges. However, the discount or premium resulting from the difference between the net proceeds received upon debt issuance and the amount payable at maturity is presented as a direct deduction from or an addition to the face amount of the debt. The guidance is required to be applied by the Company retrospectively beginning in fiscal 2016, but early adoption is permitted. The Company is currently evaluating the application methods and the impact of this new statement on the consolidated financial statements.

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3. Net Loss per Share

Basic earnings per share (“EPS”) is calculated by dividing the net income or loss available to common stockholders by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the period, without consideration for common stock equivalents. Diluted EPS is computed by dividing the net income available to common stockholders by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the period and the weighted average number of dilutive common stock equivalents outstanding for the period determined using the treasury-stock method.

For purposes of this calculation, options are considered to be common stock equivalents and are only included in the calculation of diluted earnings per share when their effect is dilutive.

(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2015	2014
Numerator:		
Net loss attributable to common stockholders	\$ (17,233)	\$ (24,898)
Denominator:		
Basic and diluted weighted average shares of common stock outstanding	123,884	109,249
Basic and diluted net loss per share attributable to common stockholders	\$ (0.14)	\$ (0.23)
Potentially outstanding anti-dilutive securities not included in diluted net loss per share calculation include the following:		
Shares underlying convertible senior notes	14,042	14,042
Common stock warrants outstanding	—	11,370
Common stock options outstanding	19,624	19,298
	<u>33,666</u>	<u>44,710</u>

4. Investment Securities, Available-for-Sale

The Company invests its excess cash in investment securities, principally debt instruments of financial institutions, corporations with investment grade credit ratings and government agencies. A summary of the estimated fair value of investment securities, available-for-sale, is as follows at March 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014 (in thousands):

March 31, 2015	Maturity in Years	Amortized Cost	Unrealized		Fair Value
			Gains	Losses	
U.S. government agency securities	Less than 1	\$ 88,732	\$ 11	\$ (6)	\$ 88,737
Corporate debt securities	Less than 1	18,320	8	(2)	18,326
U.S. government agency securities	More than 1	5,000	5	—	5,005
Corporate debt securities	More than 1	1,501	1	—	1,502
Total investment securities		<u>\$113,553</u>	<u>\$ 25</u>	<u>\$ (8)</u>	<u>\$113,570</u>
December 31, 2014	Maturity in Years	Amortized Cost	Unrealized		Fair Value
			Gains	Losses	
U.S. government agency securities	Less than 1	\$ 87,895	\$ 4	\$ (27)	\$ 87,872
Corporate debt securities	Less than 1	5,074	—	(1)	5,073
U.S. government agency securities	More than 1	8,351	—	(2)	8,349
Total investment securities		<u>\$101,320</u>	<u>\$ 4</u>	<u>\$ (30)</u>	<u>\$101,294</u>

Gross realized gains and losses on available-for-sale securities were immaterial during the three months ended March 31, 2015 and 2014.

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5. Fair Value Measurements

The fair values of the Company's financial instruments are recorded using a hierarchical disclosure framework based upon the level of subjectivity of the inputs used in measuring assets and liabilities. The following table presents information about the Company's financial assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of March 31, 2015, and indicates the fair value hierarchy of the valuation techniques utilized by the Company to determine such fair value. In general, fair values determined by Level 1 inputs utilize quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Company has the ability to access. The Company classifies money market funds as Level 1 assets. Fair values determined by Level 2 inputs utilize inputs other than quoted prices included in Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. Level 2 inputs include quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets, and inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability, such as interest rates and yield curves that are observable at commonly quoted intervals. The Company classifies commercial paper holdings, U.S. Treasury securities, U.S. government agency securities and asset-backed security holdings as Level 2 assets. Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs for the asset or liability, and include situations where there is little, if any, market activity for the asset or liability. The Company does not hold any Level 3 assets. In certain cases, the inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, the level in the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurement in its entirety falls has been determined based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety. The Company's assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgment, and considers factors specific to the asset or liability.

Assets that have recurring measurements are shown below (in thousands):

Description	Balance as of March 31, 2015	Fair Value Measurement at Reporting Date Using		
		Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
Financial instruments owned:				
Money market funds	\$ 71,422	\$ 71,422	\$ —	\$ —
U.S. government agency securities	94,242	—	94,242	—
Corporate debt securities	19,828	—	19,828	—
Total financial instruments owned	<u>\$ 185,492</u>	<u>\$ 71,422</u>	<u>\$ 114,070</u>	<u>\$ —</u>

6. Inventory

Upon receiving U.S. Food and Drug Administration ("FDA") approval of Contrave in September 2014, the Company began to capitalize inventory costs for Contrave.

Inventory consists of the following (in thousands):

	March 31, 2015	December 31, 2014
Raw materials	\$ 782	\$ 755
Work in process	283	58
Finished goods	291	385
	<u>\$ 1,356</u>	<u>\$ 1,198</u>

7. Property and Equipment

Property and equipment consist of the following (in thousands):

	Useful Life In Years	March 31, 2015	December 31, 2014
Furniture and fixtures	5	\$ 1,079	\$ 1,079
Computer equipment and software	3 to 5	532	521
Leasehold improvements	5	557	557
Manufacturing equipment	5	663	640
Asset under construction		98	120
		2,929	2,917
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization		(2,112)	(2,060)
		<u>\$ 817</u>	<u>\$ 857</u>

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8. Accrued Expenses

Accrued expenses consist of the following (in thousands):

	March 31, 2015	December 31, 2014
Accrued compensation related expenses	\$ 1,892	\$ 4,666
Accrued research and development expenses	871	1,187
Accrued interest on convertible notes	1,054	264
Accrued legal and professional expenses	522	156
Inventory received, not invoiced	747	58
Other accrued expenses	368	221
	<u>\$ 5,454</u>	<u>\$ 6,552</u>

9. Stock-Based Compensation

Total stock-based compensation expense recognized during the three months ended March 31, 2015 and 2014 was comprised of the following (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2015	2014
General and administrative	\$2,963	\$ 2,476
Research and development	1,146	1,121
	<u>\$4,109</u>	<u>\$ 3,597</u>

The fair value of each option award is estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option valuation model. The following weighted-average assumptions were utilized for the calculations during each period:

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2015	2014
Expected life (in years)	5.6	5.6
Expected volatility	93.9%	107.3%
Risk-free interest rate	1.5%	1.8%
Expected dividend yield	—	—

10. Convertible Debt

2.75% Convertible Senior Notes due 2020

In December 2013, the Company issued \$115.0 million in aggregate principal amount of 2.75% convertible senior notes due 2020 ("2020 Notes") in an offering to qualified institutional buyers conducted in accordance with Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. Debt issuance costs of approximately \$488,000 were primarily comprised of legal, accounting and other professional fees, the majority of which were recorded in other noncurrent assets and are being amortized to interest expense over the seven-year term of the 2020 Notes.

The Company has the option to settle the 2020 Notes through payment or delivery, as the case may be, of cash, shares of the Company's common stock or a combination thereof, at the Company's election. The conversion rate for the Notes will initially be 122.1225 shares per \$1,000 principal amount, which is equivalent to an initial conversion price of approximately \$8.19 per share of common stock, and is subject to adjustment under the terms of the Notes.

The 2020 Notes will mature on December 1, 2020, unless earlier repurchased or converted in accordance with their terms prior to such date. Prior to the close of business on the business day immediately preceding September 1, 2020, holders may convert all or a portion of their 2020 Notes only under the following circumstances: (1) during any fiscal quarter commencing after March 31, 2014, if, for at least 20 trading days (whether or not consecutive) during the 30 consecutive trading day period ending on the last trading day of the immediately preceding fiscal quarter, the last reported sale price of the Company's common stock on such trading day is greater than or equal to 130% of the applicable conversion price on such trading day; (2) during the five consecutive business day period immediately following any ten consecutive trading day period (the "measurement period") in which, for each trading day of that measurement period, the trading price per \$1,000 principal amount of notes for such trading day was less than 98% of the product of the last reported sale price of the Company's common

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stock on such trading day and the applicable conversion rate on such trading day, or (3) upon the occurrence of specified corporate transactions. On and after September 1, 2020 until the close of business on the business day immediately preceding the maturity date, holders may convert all or a portion of their 2020 Notes at any time, regardless of the foregoing circumstances. Holders of the Notes will have the right to require the Company to repurchase all or some of their Notes at 100% of their principal amount, plus any accrued and unpaid interest, upon the occurrence of certain events.

The Company pays 2.75% interest per annum on the principal amount of the 2020 Notes semi-annually in arrears in cash on June 1 and December 1 of each year, beginning on June 1, 2014. If a designated event, as defined in the indenture for the 2020 Notes, including, but not limited to, a change in control, certain mergers or liquidation, occurs prior to the maturity date, subject to certain limitations, holders of the Notes may require the Company to repurchase all or a portion of their 2020 Notes for cash at a repurchase price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the 2020 Notes to be repurchased, plus any accrued and unpaid interest to, but excluding, the repurchase date.

The Company accounts separately for the liability and equity components of the 2020 Notes in accordance with authoritative guidance for convertible debt instruments that may be settled in cash upon conversion. The guidance requires the carrying amount of the liability component to be estimated by measuring the fair value of a similar liability that does not have an associated conversion feature. Because the Company has no outstanding non-convertible public debt, the Company determined that senior, unsecured corporate bonds traded on the market represent a similar liability to the 2020 Notes without the conversion option. The Company estimated the implied interest rate of its 2020 Notes to be 8.69%, assuming no conversion option. Assumptions used in the estimate represent what market participants would use in pricing the liability component, including market interest rates, credit standing, and yield curves, all of which are defined as Level 2 observable inputs. The estimated implied interest rate was applied to the 2020 Notes, which resulted in a fair value of the liability component of \$79.7 million upon issuance, calculated as the present value of implied future payments based on the \$115.0 million in aggregate principal amount. The \$31.3 million difference between the cash proceeds of \$111.0 million and the estimated fair value of the liability component was recorded in additional paid-in capital as the 2020 Notes were not considered redeemable.

A summary of the liability and equity components of the 2020 Notes is as follows at March 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014 (in thousands):

	March 31, 2015	December 31, 2014
Principal amount of senior convertible notes outstanding	\$ 115,000	\$ 115,000
Unamortized discount of liability component	(30,067)	(31,092)
Long term convertible debt	\$ 84,933	\$ 83,908
Carrying value of equity component, net of issuance costs	\$ 31,178	\$ 31,178
Remaining amortization period of discount on the liability component	5.8 years	6.0 years

11. Commitments and Contingencies

Takeda Pharmaceutical Company Limited

In September 2010, the Company entered into a collaboration agreement with Takeda to develop and commercialize Contrave (formerly referred to as NB32) in the United States, Canada and Mexico. Effective in September 2013, the Company and Takeda entered into an amendment to the collaboration agreement pursuant to which Takeda assumed from the Company the responsibility to package Contrave for commercial sale in the United States, Canada and Mexico. Under the terms of the collaboration agreement, the Company received a nonrefundable upfront cash payment of \$50.0 million from Takeda and is eligible to receive additional payments of over \$1.0 billion upon achieving certain anniversary, regulatory/development and sales-based milestones, including \$100.0 million that was achieved between the execution of the collaboration agreement and the first commercial sale of Contrave in the United States. The Company is also eligible to receive tiered royalty payments ranging from a minimum of 20% to a maximum of 35%, subject to customary reductions, on increasing levels of net sales in the United States, Canada and Mexico. In accordance with the Company's continuing performance obligation of the collaboration, the upfront payment of \$50.0 million is being deferred and recognized over 14.5 years, the estimated term of the agreement. In addition to the upfront payment, the Company earned milestones of \$30.0 million from Takeda for the FDA approval of Contrave and for delivery of launch supplies to Takeda in 2014. Also in October 2014, the Company earned and was paid a \$70.0 million milestone from Takeda for the shipment of Contrave to pharmacy wholesalers in preparation for the commercial launch. This milestone payment was determined to not meet the definition of a substantive milestone. As a result, the Company recognized \$20.8 million in 2014 with \$49.2 million deferred which will be recognized over the remaining estimated life of the agreement.

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For the three months ended March 31, 2015, the Company recognized revenues under this agreement of \$4.4 million, including \$2.3 million in royalties earned for the sale of Contrave by Takeda and \$2.1 million in amortization of deferred revenue. At March 31, 2015, deferred revenue under this agreement totaled \$82.3 million. Also the Company recorded receivables at March 31, 2015 and 2014 for approximately \$4.5 million and \$83,000, respectively, for reimbursement by Takeda for royalty revenue earned on the sales of Contrave by Takeda and certain manufacturing and patent costs permitted under the collaboration agreement prior to FDA approval which were accounted for as a reduction of the expenses reimbursed.

The Company assessed the milestones under the revised authoritative guidance for research and development milestones and determined that the two regulatory/development milestone payments, \$20.0 million due to the Company upon regulatory approval in the United States and \$10.0 million due to the Company upon the delivery of launch supplies to Takeda, met the definition of a milestone. The third regulatory/development milestone payment, \$70.0 million due to the Company upon the first commercial sale in the United States, did not meet the definition of a milestone as Takeda was responsible for the commercialization of Contrave. This milestone payment was determined to not meet the definition of a substantive milestone. As a result, the Company recognized \$20.8 million in 2014 with \$49.2 million deferred which will be recognized over the remaining estimated life of the agreement. Sales-based milestone payments do not meet the criteria of a milestone as their achievement is solely based on the performance of Takeda. The Company has determined that anniversary milestones of \$45 million do not meet the definition of a milestone as the Company believes these payments are contingent solely upon the passage of time.

12. Litigation

In May 2013, the Company received a shareholder demand alleging that certain option grants to its President and Chief Executive Officer, Michael A. Narachi, our Chief Business Officer and acting-Chief Financial Officer, Joseph P. Hagan, and our Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary, Heather D. Turner, in 2011 were granted in excess of the 1,500,000 share limit set forth in Section 3.3 of the Orexigen Therapeutics, Inc. 2007 Equity Incentive Award Plan, or Plan, as to the number of shares of the Company's common stock with respect to which one or more stock awards may be granted to any one eligible participant during any of the Company's fiscal years. The Company refers to this limit as the 162(m) Award Limit. The Company's board of directors established a demand review committee composed of independent directors to conduct an investigation with respect to the shareholder demand and to make recommendations to the board of directors. The demand review committee engaged independent counsel as part of its investigation and evaluated (1) the terms of the Plan, (2) the initial issuance procedures for the option grants to Mr. Narachi, Mr. Hagan and Ms. Turner during 2011, (3) the authority available to the compensation committee of the Company's board of directors under its charter and the Plan, (4) the expectations of the award recipients and (5) the intent of the Company's board of directors and the compensation committee regarding the availability of an exemption from the deductibility limitations of Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code for such option grants. Following its investigation, the demand review committee determined that the 162(m) Award Limit first became effective as of June 2, 2011, and that, therefore, awards granted under the Plan prior to June 2, 2011, did not count toward the 162(m) Award Limit. The demand review committee determined that the awards granted to Mr. Hagan between June 2, 2011 and December 31, 2011 did not exceed the 162(m) Award Limit. The demand review committee further determined that the options granted to Mr. Narachi and Ms. Turner, including the portion of such awards in excess of the 162(m) Award Limit, were validly approved under the Plan, although the portion of those awards in excess of the 162(m) Award Limit does not qualify as performance-based compensation under Section 162(m). In September 2013, the compensation committee amended the Plan, with the approval of the Company's board of directors, to take the following actions: (1) to clarify that the 162(m) Award Limit only applies to awards or the portion thereof intended to qualify as performance-based compensation under Section 162(m); and (2) to confirm that the compensation committee has the authority to make awards in excess of the 162(m) Award Limit, which board action the Company's refers to as the Plan Amendment. The Plan Amendment is deemed effective as of June 10, 2011, consistent with the authority of the compensation committee as administrator of the Plan as of that date. Any grants under the Plan in excess of the 162(m) Award Limit are not intended to qualify as performance-based compensation under Section 162(m).

On December 6, 2013, a plaintiff claiming to be a shareholder of the Company filed a derivative lawsuit purportedly on behalf of the Company against certain of its officers and the members of its board of directors, in the Superior Court for the State of California, County of San Diego, captioned *Wilkin v. Narachi, et al.* On December 9, 2013, the same shareholder who made a demand on the board in May 2013 filed a derivative lawsuit purportedly on behalf of the Company against certain of its officers and current and former members of the Company's board of directors in the United States District Court, for the Southern District of California, captioned *Turgeman v. Narachi, et al.* Both of the lawsuits assert claims for breach of fiduciary duty, waste and unjust enrichment based on, among other things, the alleged grant of stock options to certain officers in excess of the 162(m) Award Limit, repricing stock options allegedly in violation of our equity incentive plan, the board of directors' conduct in responding to the May 2013 shareholder demand, and making allegedly false and misleading statements. Both of the lawsuits seek, among other things, declaratory relief, corporate governance reforms, rescission of certain stock option awards, rescission of the Plan Amendment, injunctive relief, damages, restitution, disgorgement and attorney's fees. On July 23, 2014, the Company and the individual defendants filed a motion to dismiss the *Turgeman* complaint. On March 9, 2015, the court

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granted the motion to dismiss with thirty days leave to amend. On April 8, 2015, the plaintiff filed an amended complaint. The parties have submitted a stipulation with the court that, if approved by the court, would make the Company and the individual defendants' response to the amended complaint due on May 8, 2015. Without the stipulation, the deadline to respond to the complaint would be April 22, 2015. The Company and the individual defendants filed a motion to dismiss the *Wilkin* complaint on August 13, 2014. On October 24, 2014, the judge granted the motion to dismiss with leave to amend the complaint. The plaintiff did not file an amended complaint within the court-ordered deadline but filed a motion to stay the action. On January 29, 2015, the judge denied the motion to stay and dismissed the lawsuit with prejudice. On February 6, 2015, the parties filed a stipulation with the court in which plaintiff waived his right to appeal and the parties agreed to a judgment dismissing the lawsuit and on March 4, 2015, a final judgment was entered. Although management believes that the claims lack merit and intends to defend against them vigorously, there are uncertainties inherent in any litigation and the Company cannot predict the outcome. As this time, the Company is unable to estimate possible losses or ranges of losses that may result from such legal proceedings, and it has not accrued any amounts in connection with such legal proceedings other than ongoing attorney's fees.

On March 10, 2015, a purported class action lawsuit was filed against the Company and certain of its officers in the United States District Court, for the Southern District of California, captioned *Colley v. Orexigen, et al.* The following day, two additional putative class action lawsuits were filed in the same court, captioned *Stefanko v. Orexigen, et al.*, and *Yantz v. Orexigen, et al.*, asserting substantially similar claims. The complaints purport to assert claims on behalf of a class of purchasers of the Company's stock between March 3, 2015 and March 5, 2015. It alleges that defendants violated Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 by purportedly making false and misleading statements regarding the interim results of the Light Study. The complaints seek an unspecified amount of damages, attorneys' fees and equitable or injunctive relief. Motions seeking to be appointed Lead Plaintiff are due May 11, 2015. The Company expects a consolidated complaint to be filed approximately 60 days after the Court appoints a Lead Plaintiff. Although management believes that the claims lack merit and intends to defend against them vigorously, there are uncertainties inherent in any litigation and the Company cannot predict the outcome. As this time, the Company is unable to estimate possible losses or ranges of losses that may result from such legal proceedings, and it has not accrued any amounts in connection with such legal proceedings other than ongoing attorney's fees.

It is possible that additional securities class action litigation may be brought against the Company following stock price declines related to the release of information regarding Contrave or clinical trial results, including the Light Study or related to the matters alleged in the May 2013 shareholder demand and/or the Plan Amendment. Any adverse determination in such litigation could subject the Company to significant liabilities.

ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

This report contains certain forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or Exchange Act, and is subject to the safe harbor provisions created by that statute. Forward-looking statements are based on our management's current beliefs, expectations and assumptions and on information currently available to our management. All statements other than statements of historical facts are "forward-looking statements" for purposes of these provisions. Forward-looking statements can be identified by the use of forward-looking words such as "believes," "expects," "hopes," "may," "will," "plans," "intends," "indicates," "suggests," "assuming," "designed," "estimates," "could," "should," "would," "continue," "seeks," "aims," "projects," "predicts," "pro forma," "anticipates," "potential," "probability" or other similar expressions that are intended to identify forward-looking statements.

These statements include but are not limited to statements regarding: the potential for Contrave®/Mysimba™ to achieve commercial success globally; the potential to obtain marketing authorizations or commercialization partner(s) for Contrave in territories outside of North America; the benefit risk profile for Contrave; the potential for past Contrave clinical trials to predict the outcome of future Contrave clinical trials; and the potential to demonstrate the real world weight loss potential of Contrave with a commercially available comprehensive lifestyle intervention program. The inclusion of forward-looking statements should not be regarded as a representation by us that any of our plans will be achieved. Actual results may differ materially from those expressed or implied in this report by the forward-looking statements due to the risk and uncertainties inherent in our business, including the ability to obtain partnerships and marketing authorizations globally; competition in the global obesity market, particularly from existing therapies; additional analysis of the interim results or new data from the continuing Light Study, including safety-related data, and the additional cardiovascular outcomes trial, may produce negative or inconclusive results, or may be inconsistent with the conclusion that the interim analysis was successful; our dependence on Takeda to carry out the commercial launch of Contrave in North America; our ability to obtain and maintain global intellectual property protection for Contrave and Mysimba; the potential that the interim analysis of the Light Study may not be predictive of future results in the Light Study or other clinical trials; the potential for early termination of our collaboration agreement with Takeda; the therapeutic and commercial value of Contrave and Mysimba; our ability to maintain sufficient capital to fund our operations for the foreseeable future; estimates of the capacity of manufacturing and other facilities to support Contrave; and the other risks and uncertainties discussed below under Part II, Item 1A, "Risk Factors."

Given these risks and uncertainties, we urge you not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date of this report. You should read this report completely and with the understanding that our actual future results may be materially different from what we expect. The interim financial statements and this Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and notes thereto for the year ended December 31, 2014 and the related Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, both of which are contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014. We hereby qualify our forward-looking statements by these cautionary statements. Except as required by law, we undertake no obligation to update publicly any forward-looking statements or to update the reasons actual results could differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events, or for any other reason.

Overview

Background

We are a biopharmaceutical company focused on the treatment of obesity. Our sole product, Contrave, is approved in the United States by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, or FDA, as an adjunct to a reduced-calorie diet and increased physical activity for chronic weight management in adults with an initial body mass index, or BMI, of 30 kg/m² or greater (obese), or 27 kg/m² or greater (overweight) in the presence of at least one weight-related comorbid condition. Contrave is a combination of generic drug components, each of which has already received regulatory approval for other indications and been commercialized in the United States and in a majority of the member countries of the European Union.

On September 10, 2014, the FDA notified us that it had approved our NDA for Contrave extended-release. We and our collaboration partner, Takeda Pharmaceutical Company Limited, or Takeda, are now focused on the commercialization of Contrave. Takeda commercially launched Contrave in the United States in October 2014. As part of the approval of Contrave by the FDA, we and Takeda agreed to several post-marketing requirements, including studies to assess the safety and efficacy of Contrave for weight management in obese pediatric patients. We are also required to conduct a new randomized double-blind, placebo-controlled study to evaluate the effects of long-term treatment with Contrave on the incidence of major adverse cardiovascular, or CV, events in overweight and obese subjects with CV disease or multiple CV risk factors, as well as a group of short-term trials including a thorough QT study, single-dose pharmacokinetic studies in renal and hepatic impairment, and a drug-drug interaction study.

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In March 2015, the European Commission granted centralized marketing authorization for Contrave (under the name Mysimba™) (naltrexone HCl / bupropion HCl prolonged release) as an adjunct to a reduced-calorie diet and increased physical activity, for the management of weight in adult patients (≥ 18 years) with an initial Body Mass Index of ≥ 30 kg/m² (obese), or ≥ 27 kg/m² to < 30 kg/m² (overweight) in the presence of one or more weight-related co-morbidities (e.g., type 2 diabetes, dyslipidemia, or controlled hypertension). This authorization applies to all 28 European Union member states. Although we retain marketing rights for Contrave outside the United States, Canada and Mexico, we currently have no plans to commercially launch Mysimba in the European Union in the near future.

In December 2013, we issued \$115.0 million in aggregate principal amount of 2.75% Convertible Senior Notes due 2020, or the 2020 Notes, in an offering to qualified institutional buyers conducted in accordance with Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. Net cash proceeds from the issuance of the 2020 Notes were approximately \$110.5 million, after deducting initial purchasers' discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us.

Our primary activities since incorporation have been organizational activities, including recruiting personnel, conducting research and development, including clinical trials, and raising capital. We have incurred significant net losses since our inception. As of March 31, 2015, we had an accumulated deficit of \$569.2 million. These losses have resulted principally from costs incurred in connection with research and development activities, primarily costs of clinical trial activities associated with our current product and product candidates, performing manufacturing-related activities, and general and administrative expenses. We expect to continue to incur losses for the next several years. Successful transition to attaining profitable operations is dependent upon achieving a level of revenues adequate to support our cost structure, and until that time, we may need to continue to raise additional equity or debt financing.

Revenues

We generated approximately \$4.4 million in revenue for the three months ended March 31, 2015, resulting from the sublicensing of technology and amounts earned under our collaboration agreement with Takeda. In September 2010, we entered into a collaboration agreement with Takeda to develop and commercialize Contrave in the United States, Canada and Mexico. Under the collaboration agreement, we received an upfront, nonrefundable cash payment of \$50.0 million from Takeda and this amount is being recognized ratably over the estimated life of the agreement. In September 2014, we also recognized two regulatory/development milestones, consisting of \$20.0 million due to us upon regulatory approval in the United States and \$10.0 million due to us upon the delivery of launch supplies to Takeda. In October 2014, we earned and were paid a \$70.0 million milestone from Takeda for the shipment of Contrave to pharmacy wholesalers in preparation for the commercial launch. This milestone payment was determined to not meet the definition of a substantive milestone. As a result, we recognized \$20.8 million in 2014 with \$49.2 million deferred which will be recognized over the remaining estimated life of the agreement.

For the three months ended March 31, 2015, the Company recognized revenues under this agreement of \$4.4 million, including \$2.3 million in royalties earned for the sale of Contrave by Takeda and \$2.1 million in amortization of deferred revenue. At March 31, 2015, deferred revenue under this agreement totaled \$82.3 million.

Other than the amortization of the upfront payment of \$50.0 million and regulatory/development milestones totaling \$100.0 million from Takeda, our ability to generate revenue in the near term will depend solely on the success of Takeda sales of Contrave in the U.S. Takeda commercially launched Contrave in the U.S. in October 2014. We are eligible to receive tiered royalty payments ranging from a minimum of 20% to a maximum of 35%, on increasing levels of net sales of Contrave in the United States, Canada and Mexico. Given the early stage of commercialization, it is difficult to predict the amount of future sales of Contrave or the related revenues we will generate. Future sales of Contrave will depend on, among other factors, the availability and use of Contrave, Takeda's ability to effectively launch, market and sell Contrave and coverage and reimbursement by third-party payors.

Takeda accounted for 100% of revenue for three months ended March 31, 2015.

Research and Development Expenses

The majority of our operating expenses to date have been incurred in research and development activities. Our research and development expenses consisted primarily of costs associated with clinical trials managed by contract research organizations, or CROs, product development efforts, raw materials, inventory, and manufacturing-related expenses. License fees, salaries

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and related employee benefits for certain personnel, and costs associated with certain non-clinical activities such as regulatory expenses, are also included in this amount. Our most significant costs to date are expenses incurred in connection with the clinical trials for Contrave. The clinical trial expenses included payments to vendors such as CROs, investigators, suppliers of clinical drug materials and related consultants. Following FDA approval of Contrave in September 2014, the responsibility for the continuation of the Light Study was transferred to our partner, Takeda. Upon transfer of this responsibility, we began to pay the clinical trial expenses associated with the Light Study directly to Takeda who then made direct payments to such vendors. We charge all research and development expenses to operations as incurred because the underlying technology associated with these expenditures relates to our research and development efforts and has no alternative future uses.

Our internal research and development resources are not directly tied to any individual research project and are primarily deployed across our Contrave and other programs. We have developed Contrave in parallel with other projects and, due to the fact that we use shared resources across projects, we do not maintain information regarding our internal costs incurred for our research and development programs on a program-specific basis. We use external service providers to manage our clinical trials, to manufacture the product supplies used in these trials and for formulations development, consulting and other activities.

The following table summarizes our research and development expenses for the three months ended March 31, 2015 and 2014. Costs that are not attributable to a specific research program are included in the "Other" category (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2015	2014
Costs of external service providers:		
Obesity	\$ 7,508	\$13,019
Other	69	92
Subtotal	7,577	13,111
Internal costs	2,519	2,769
Stock-based compensation	1,146	1,121
Total research and development expenses	<u>\$11,242</u>	<u>\$17,001</u>

At this time, due to the risks inherent in the drug development process, we are unable to estimate with any certainty the costs we will incur for the post-marketing requirements of Contrave and any additional clinical trials required for post-marketing requirements of Contrave, under the name Mysimba, by the EMA. Until we are able to finalize the protocol, we are unable to predict the cost of the new CV outcomes trial that Takeda, as the sponsor, is responsible for conducting. Future development expenses will depend on the timing of the Light Study, the new CV outcomes trial and any other additional clinical trials for Contrave, if any, our financial resources and ongoing assessments as to Contrave's commercial potential. Clinical development timelines, the probability of success and development costs can differ materially from expectations. The lengthy process of completing our clinical trials, including the Light Study, and seeking regulatory approval for our product candidates requires the expenditure of substantial resources. Any failure by us or delay in completing our clinical trials, including the Light Study, or in obtaining regulatory approvals, could cause a delay in the commencement of product revenues and cause our research and development expenses to increase and, in turn, have a material adverse effect on our results of operations. Contrave became commercially available in the U.S. in October 2014.

General and Administrative

Our general and administrative expenses consist primarily of salaries and related costs for personnel in executive, finance, accounting and internal support functions. In addition, general and administrative expenses include professional fees for legal, consulting and accounting services. We anticipate general and administrative expenses to remain generally unchanged.

Interest and Other (Expense), Income net

Interest and Other (Expense), Income net, consists principally of interest expense incurred on the 2020 Notes, offset by income earned on marketable securities.

Income Taxes

At December 31, 2014, we have federal and state net operating loss carryforwards of approximately \$398.1 million and \$390.9 million, respectively, not considering the IRC Section 382 annual limitation discussed below. The federal and state net operating loss carryforwards begin to expire in 2024 and 2015, respectively, unless previously utilized. At December 31, 2014, we have federal and state research and development tax credit carryforwards of \$18.5 million and \$5.5 million, respectively. The federal research and development tax credit carryforwards begin to expire in 2024 unless previously utilized and the state tax credits carry forward indefinitely Under Sections 382 and 383 of Internal Revenue Code, substantial changes in our

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ownership may limit the amount of net operating loss carryforwards and federal tax credit carry forwards that could be utilized annually in the future to offset taxable income, and tax, respectively. The Company has completed an ownership change analysis in accordance with Section 382 from inception through December 31, 2014. As a result of the analysis, it was determined that the Company experienced several ownership changes during this period with the last one occurring in December 2014. The analysis to determine the limitation of NOLs and federal credits as a result of the ownership changes has not been finalized. Based on our preliminary analysis of the limitation of our net operating losses and federal credits, we have removed deferred tax assets for net operating losses of \$254.1 million and \$231.1 million for federal and state, respectively, and federal research and development credits of \$9.6 million from our deferred tax asset schedule and have recorded a corresponding decrease to our valuation allowance. When this analysis is finalized, we will reassess the amount of net operating losses and federal credits subject to limitation under Section 382. Due to the existence of the valuation allowance, future changes in the deferred tax assets related to these tax attributes will not impact our effective tax rate.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

Management's discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations are based upon our financial statements, which are prepared in accordance with accounting principles that are generally accepted in the United States. The preparation of these financial statements requires us to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, related disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. We continually evaluate our estimates and judgments, the most critical of which are those related to accounting for research and development expenses and stock-based compensation costs. We base our estimates and judgments on historical experience and other factors that we believe to be reasonable under the circumstances. Materially different results can occur as circumstances change and additional information becomes known.

There were no significant changes during the three months ended March 31, 2015 to the items that we disclosed as our critical accounting policies and estimates in Note 2 to our audited financial statements in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014.

Results of Operations

Comparison of three months ended March 31, 2015 to three months ended March 31, 2014

Revenues. Revenues for each of the three months ended March 31, 2015 and 2014 were \$4.4 million and \$857,000, respectively, and represent revenues recognized under our collaboration agreement with Takeda. Additionally, we recognized \$2.3 million of royalty revenue for the sales of Contrave by Takeda for the three months ended March 31, 2015.

Research and Development Expenses. Research and development expenses decreased to \$11.2 million for the three months ended March 31, 2015 from \$17.0 million for the comparable period during 2014. This decrease of approximately \$5.8 million was due primarily to a decrease in pre-launch expenses for Contrave including raw materials, inventory, and manufacturing-related expenses of \$6.4 million. The decrease was partially offset by a \$900,000 increase in expenses in connection with the Light Study, related proprietary product formulation work and consulting activities.

General and Administrative Expenses. General and administrative expenses increased to \$8.6 million for the three months ended March 31, 2015 from \$7.0 million for the comparable period during 2014. This increase of approximately \$1.6 million was due primarily to an increase in market research costs of \$606,000, an increase in stock-based compensation expense of \$487,000 and an increase in salaries and personnel related costs of \$443,000.

Interest and Other expense, net. Interest and Other (Expense), Income net, consists principally of interest expense incurred on the 2020 Notes, offset by income earned on marketable securities.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Since inception, our operations have been financed primarily through the sale of equity and convertible debt securities. Through March 31, 2015, we received net proceeds of approximately \$574.2 million from the issuance of equity and convertible debt securities as follows:

- from September 12, 2002 to December 31, 2006, we issued and sold a total of 1,053,572 shares of common stock for aggregate net proceeds of \$14,801;
- in March 2004, we issued and sold a total of 9,322,035 shares of Series A redeemable convertible preferred stock for aggregate net proceeds of \$9.2 million and the conversion of promissory notes and interest thereon totaling \$1.7 million;

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- from April 2005 to May 2005, we issued and sold 14,830,509 shares of Series B redeemable convertible preferred stock for aggregate net proceeds of \$34.9 million;
- in November 2006, we issued and sold a total of 8,771,930 shares of Series C convertible preferred stock for aggregate net proceeds of \$29.9 million;
- in May 2007, we issued and sold a total of 8,050,000 shares of common stock for aggregate net proceeds of \$87.9 million;
- in January and February 2008, we issued and sold a total of 7,326,435 shares of common stock for aggregate net proceeds of \$74.9 million;
- in July 2009, we issued and sold a total of 11,500,000 shares of common stock for aggregate net proceeds of \$81.6 million;
- in December 2011, we issued and sold a total of 5,646,173 shares of common stock and common stock warrants to purchase up to 56,461,730 shares for aggregate net proceeds of \$86.9 million;
- in October 2012, we issued and sold a total of 11,000,000 shares of common stock for aggregate net proceeds of \$56.5 million; and
- in December 2013, we issued the 2020 Notes for aggregate net proceeds of \$110.5 million.

As of March 31, 2015, we had \$75.1 million in cash and cash equivalents and an additional \$113.6 million in investment securities, available-for-sale. As of March 31, 2015, our holdings primarily consisted of treasury-backed money market funds, other instruments that are insured, guaranteed or supported by the U.S. federal government, and corporate debt obligations. We maintain established guidelines relating to diversification and maturities of our investments to preserve principal and maintain liquidity.

Net cash used in operating activities was \$19.6 million and \$21.9 million for the three months ended March 31, 2015 and 2014, respectively. Net cash used in each of these periods was primarily a result of external research and development expenses, clinical trial costs, personnel-related costs, third-party supplier expenses and professional fees.

Net cash used in investing activities was \$12.5 million and \$38.9 million for the three months ended March 31, 2015 and 2014, respectively. These amounts are primarily the result of the net purchases and maturities of investment securities.

Net cash provided by financing activities was \$3.0 million and \$279,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2015 and 2014, respectively. The net cash provided by financing activities in 2015 and 2014 was a result of proceeds from the issuance of common stock due to exercises of stock options.

We cannot be certain if, when or to what extent we will receive cash inflows from the commercialization of our product candidates beyond the milestones and royalties related to Contrave. We will incur substantial additional development expenses to conduct the Light Study and the new CV outcomes trial for Contrave. Until we are able to finalize the protocol, we are unable to predict the cost of the new CV outcomes trial that Takeda, as the sponsor, is responsible for conducting.

We have entered into a license agreement for the rights to develop and commercialize Contrave. Pursuant to this agreement, we obtained exclusive and non-exclusive licenses to the patent rights and know-how for selected indications and territories. Pursuant to our agreement with Oregon Health & Science University, we issued 76,315 shares of our common stock in December 2003 and paid an upfront fee of \$65,000. We are also obligated to pay royalties on any net sales of the applicable licensed product(s), including Contrave. Our royalty payable to OHSU at March 31, 2015 for Contrave sales was approximately \$115,000.

Our future capital uses and requirements depend on numerous factors. These factors include but are not limited to the following:

- the successful commercialization of Contrave;

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- the scope and cost of the post-marketing requirements for Contrave in the U.S. and Mysimba in the E.U.;
- the terms and timing of any collaborative, licensing, co-promotion or other arrangements that we may establish with respect to Contrave;
- the costs of establishing sales, marketing and distribution capabilities in order to commercialize Contrave should we elect to do so;
- the costs involved in enforcing or defending patent claims or other intellectual property rights;
- the costs and timing of additional regulatory approvals for Contrave, if at all; and
- the extent to which we in-license, acquire or invest in other indications, products, technologies and businesses.

Although it is difficult to predict future liquidity requirements, we believe that our existing cash and cash equivalents and investment securities, available-for-sale, and anticipated product revenue, will be sufficient to meet our projected operating requirements through the next 12 months.

Until we can generate significant cash from our operations, we expect to continue to fund our operations with existing cash resources, proceeds of potential offerings of our equity securities, debt, potential milestone payments under our existing collaboration agreement, receivables or royalty financings and potential future corporate collaborations and licensing arrangements. However, we cannot be sure that our existing cash and investment resources and future product revenue will be adequate, that additional financing will be available when needed or that, if available, financing will be obtained on terms favorable to us or our stockholders. Having insufficient funds may require us to delay, scale back or eliminate some or all of our development programs and/or our pre-commercialization and commercialization activities, relinquish some or even all rights to product candidates or renegotiate less favorable terms than we would otherwise choose. Failure to obtain adequate financing also may adversely affect our ability to operate as a going concern. If we raise additional funds by issuing equity securities, substantial dilution to existing stockholders would likely result. Debt, receivables and royalty financings may be coupled with an equity component, such as warrants to purchase stock, which could also result in dilution of our existing stockholders' ownership. If we raise additional funds through debt, receivables or royalty financings, the terms of such financings may involve significant cash payment obligations as well as covenants and specific financial requirements that may restrict our ability to operate our business.

Any turbulence in the U.S. and international markets and economies may adversely affect our ability to access the capital markets and obtain additional financing on terms acceptable to us, or at all.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

We have not engaged in any off-balance sheet activities as defined in Regulation S-K 303(a)(4)(ii).

ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Our cash and cash equivalents and investment securities, available-for-sale, as of March 31, 2015 consisted primarily of money market funds, U.S. government agency securities and corporate debt obligations. We do not have any auction rate securities on our balance sheet, as they are not permitted by our investment policy. 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 the majority of our investments are in short-term marketable debt securities. The primary objective of our investment activities is to preserve principal while at the same time maximizing the income we receive from our investments without significantly increasing risk. Some of the securities that we invest in may be subject to market risk. This means that a change in prevailing interest rates may cause the value of the investment to fluctuate. For example, if we purchase a security that was issued with a fixed interest rate and the prevailing interest rate later rises, the value of our investment will probably decline. To minimize this risk, we intend to continue to maintain our portfolio of cash equivalents and short-term investments in a variety of securities including commercial paper, money market funds and government and non-government debt securities, all with various maturities. In general, money market funds are not subject to market risk because the interest paid on such funds fluctuates with the prevailing interest rate.

Our cash is invested in accordance with an investment policy approved by our board of directors which specifies the categories, allocations, and ratings of securities we may consider for investment. We do not believe our cash, cash equivalents and investment securities have significant risk of default or illiquidity. We made this determination based on discussions with

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our investment advisors and a review of our holdings. While we believe our cash, cash equivalents and investment securities are well diversified and do not contain excessive risk, we cannot provide assurance that in the future our investments will not be subject to adverse changes in market value.

In addition, domestic and international equity markets have experienced and may continue to experience heightened volatility and turmoil based on domestic and international economic conditions and concerns. In the event these economic conditions and concerns continue and the markets continue to remain volatile, our results of operations could be adversely affected by those factors in many ways, including making it more difficult for us to raise funds if necessary and our stock price may further decline. In addition, we maintain significant amounts of cash and cash equivalents that are not federally insured. If economic instability continues, we cannot provide assurance that we will not experience losses on these investments.

ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Disclosure Controls and Procedures

We maintain disclosure controls and procedures that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in our reports under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or the Exchange Act, is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission'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 disclosure. In designing and evaluating the disclosure controls and procedures, management recognized that any controls and procedures, no matter how well designed and operated, can only provide reasonable assurance of achieving the desired control objectives, and in reaching a reasonable level of assurance, management necessarily was required to apply its judgment in evaluating the cost-benefit relationship of possible controls and procedures.

Under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and our Chief Financial Officer, we carried out an evaluation of the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures (as such term is defined in Rules 13a — 15(e) and 15d — 15(e) under the Exchange Act) as of March 31, 2015. Based on such evaluation, our management has concluded as of March 31, 2015, our disclosure controls and procedures are effective.

Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

There has been no change in our internal controls over financial reporting during our most recent fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal controls over financial reporting.

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

In May 2013, we received a shareholder demand alleging that certain option grants to our President and Chief Executive Officer, Michael A. Narachi, our Chief Business Officer and acting-Chief Financial Officer, Joseph P. Hagan, and our Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary, Heather D. Turner, in 2011 were granted in excess of the 1,500,000 share limit set forth in Section 3.3 of the Orexigen Therapeutics, Inc. 2007 Equity Incentive Award Plan, or Plan, as to the number of shares of our common stock with respect to which one or more stock awards may be granted to any one eligible participant during any of our fiscal years. We refer to this limit as the 162(m) Award Limit. Our board of directors established a demand review committee composed of independent directors to conduct an investigation with respect to the shareholder demand and to make recommendations to our board of directors. The demand review committee engaged independent counsel as part of its investigation and evaluated (1) the terms of the Plan, (2) the initial issuance procedures for the option grants to Mr. Narachi, Mr. Hagan and Ms. Turner during 2011, (3) the authority available to the compensation committee of our board of directors under its charter and the Plan, (4) the expectations of the award recipients and (5) the intent of our board of directors and the compensation committee regarding the availability of an exemption from the deductibility limitations of Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code for such option grants. Following its investigation, the demand review committee determined that the 162(m) Award Limit first became effective as of June 2, 2011, and that, therefore, awards granted under the Plan prior to June 2, 2011, did not count toward the 162(m) Award Limit. The demand review committee determined that the awards granted to Mr. Hagan between June 2, 2011 and December 31, 2011 did not exceed the 162(m) Award Limit. The demand review committee further determined that the options granted to Mr. Narachi and Ms. Turner, including the portion of such awards in excess of the 162(m) Award Limit, were validly approved under the Plan, although the portion of those awards in excess of the 162(m) Award Limit does not qualify as performance-based compensation under Section 162(m). In September 2013, the compensation committee amended the Plan, with the approval of our board of directors, to take the following actions: (1) to clarify that the 162(m) Award Limit only applies to awards or the portion thereof intended to qualify as performance-based

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compensation under Section 162(m); and (2) to confirm that the compensation committee has the authority to make awards in excess of the 162(m) Award Limit, which board action we refer to as the Plan Amendment. The Plan Amendment is deemed effective as of June 10, 2011, consistent with the authority of the compensation committee as administrator of the Plan as of that date. Any grants under the Plan in excess of the 162(m) Award Limit are not intended to qualify as performance-based compensation under Section 162(m).

On December 6, 2013, a plaintiff claiming to be a shareholder of ours filed a derivative lawsuit purportedly on behalf of us against certain of our officers and the members of our board of directors, in the Superior Court for the State of California, County of San Diego, captioned *Wilkin v. Narachi, et al.* On December 9, 2013, the same shareholder who made a demand on the board in May 2013 filed a derivative lawsuit purportedly on behalf of us against certain of our officers and current and former members of our board of directors in the United States District Court, for the Southern District of California, captioned *Turgeman v. Narachi, et al.* Both of the lawsuits assert claims for breach of fiduciary duty, waste and unjust enrichment based on, among other things, the alleged grant of stock options to certain officers in excess of the 162(m) Award Limit, repricing stock options allegedly in violation of our equity incentive plan, the board of directors' conduct in responding to the May 2013 shareholder demand, and making allegedly false and misleading statements. Both of the lawsuits seek, among other things, declaratory relief, corporate governance reforms, rescission of certain stock option awards, rescission of the Plan Amendment, injunctive relief, damages, restitution, disgorgement and attorney's fees. On July 23, 2014, we and the individual defendants filed a motion to dismiss the *Turgeman* complaint. On March 9, 2015, the court granted the motion to dismiss with thirty days leave to amend. On April 8, 2015, the plaintiff filed an amended complaint. The parties have submitted a stipulation with the court that, if approved by the court, would make our and the individual defendants' response to the amended complaint due on May 8, 2015. Without the stipulation, the deadline to respond to the complaint would be April 22, 2015. We and the individual defendants filed a motion to dismiss the *Wilkin* complaint on August 13, 2014. On October 24, 2014, the judge granted the motion to dismiss with leave to amend the complaint. The plaintiff did not file an amended complaint within the court-ordered deadline but filed a motion to stay the action. On January 29, 2015, the judge denied the motion to stay and dismissed the lawsuit with prejudice. On February 6, 2015, the parties filed a stipulation with the court in which plaintiff waived his right to appeal and the parties agreed to a judgment dismissing the lawsuit and on March 4, 2015, a final judgment was entered. Although management believes that the claims lack merit and intends to defend against them vigorously, there are uncertainties inherent in any litigation and we cannot predict the outcome.

On March 10, 2015, a purported class action lawsuit was filed against us and certain of our officers in the United States District Court, for the Southern District of California, captioned *Colley v. Orexigen, et al.* The following day, two additional putative class action lawsuits were filed in the same court, captioned *Stefanko v. Orexigen, et al.*, and *Yantz v. Orexigen, et al.*, asserting substantially similar claims. The complaints purport to assert claims on behalf of a class of purchasers of the Company's stock between March 3, 2015 and March 5, 2015. It alleges that defendants violated Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 by purportedly making false and misleading statements regarding the interim results of the Light Study. The complaints seek an unspecified amount of damages, attorneys' fees and equitable or injunctive relief. Motions seeking to be appointed Lead Plaintiff are due May 11, 2015. We expect a consolidated complaint to be filed approximately 60 days after the Court appoints a Lead Plaintiff. Although management believes that the claims lack merit and intends to defend against them vigorously, there are uncertainties inherent in any litigation and we cannot predict the outcome.

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Item 1A. Risk Factors.

You should carefully consider the following risk factors, as well as the other information in this report, before deciding whether to purchase, hold or sell shares of our common stock. The occurrence of any of the following risks could harm our business, financial condition, results of operations and/or growth prospects or cause our actual results to differ materially from those contained in forward-looking statements we have made in this report and those we may make from time to time. You should consider all of the factors described when evaluating our business.

We have marked with an asterisk () those risk factors that reflect substantive changes from the risk factors included in our previously filed Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014.*

Risks Related to Our Business and Industry

Our success for the foreseeable future is dependent solely on the success of our recently approved product, Contrave® (naltrexone HCl and bupropion HCl) extended release, or ER, tablets.*

To date the majority of our resources have been focused on the research and development of Contrave. On September 10, 2014, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, or the FDA, notified us that it had approved our New Drug Application, or NDA, for Contrave extended-release tablets as an adjunct to a reduced-calorie diet and increased physical activity for chronic weight management in adults with an initial body mass index, or BMI, of 30 kg/m² or greater (obese), or 27 kg/m² or greater (overweight) in the presence of at least one weight-related comorbid condition. In March 2015, the European Commission granted a centralized marketing authorization for Contrave (under the name Mysimba™) that is valid in all 28 European Union member states for Mysimba to be placed on the market. We and our collaboration partner in United States, Canada and Mexico, Takeda Pharmaceutical Company Limited, or Takeda, are now focused on the commercialization of Contrave in the United States. Takeda commercially launched Contrave in the United States in October 2014. Although we retain marketing rights outside the United States, Canada and Mexico, we currently have no plans to commercially launch Mysimba in the European Union in the near future. Our ability to generate revenue for the foreseeable future will depend solely on the commercial success of Contrave in the United States. Accordingly, any failure or significant delay in the successful commercialization of Contrave in the United States will have a material and adverse impact on our business.

We are dependent on our collaboration with Takeda to further develop and commercialize Contrave in the United States, Canada and Mexico. This collaboration places a large part of the commercialization and the development outside our control, and poor performance under or failure to maintain the collaboration agreement between us and Takeda could have an adverse impact on our business.

In September 2010, we entered into a collaboration agreement with Takeda for the development and commercialization of Contrave in the United States, Canada and Mexico. Under the collaboration agreement, as amended, Takeda is also responsible for the packaging of Contrave for commercial sale. We cannot be certain that our collaboration with Takeda will continue. Both we and Takeda have the right to terminate the collaboration agreement, in certain circumstances, prior to its expiration, including a right by Takeda to terminate the agreement upon specified prior written notice. If the agreement is terminated prior to its expiration, we may not be able to find another collaborator for the commercialization and further development of Contrave, and even if we elected to pursue commercialization and further development of Contrave on our own, we might not be able to do so successfully and would experience substantially increased capital requirements that we might not be able to fund.

Our dependence on Takeda and the collaboration agreement subjects us to a number of risks, including:

- Takeda may not perform as expected and we may not be able to control the amount and timing of resources that Takeda may devote to commercialization, commercial packaging, development of Contrave in Mexico or Canada, or the post-approval development of Contrave in the United States;
- we and Takeda could disagree as to our ongoing or future post-approval development plans, including lifecycle plans for Contrave, which may result in Takeda not funding such activity; and Takeda may delay clinical trials or stop a clinical trial;
- there may be disputes between us and Takeda, including disagreements regarding the collaboration agreement and decisions related to development plans, regulatory actions or intellectual property, that may result in (a) the delay of (or prevent entirely) the achievement of regulatory and commercial objectives that would result in milestone payments, (b) the delay or termination of the commercialization, commercial packaging or development of Contrave, and/or (c) costly litigation or arbitration that diverts our management's attention and resources;

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- the ongoing discussions between us and Takeda may not result in an executed amended and restated collaboration agreement with Takeda and if an amended and restated agreement is executed, that agreement may not reflect the non-binding term sheet, in whole or in part, that the parties entered into in September 2014;
- Takeda may not comply with applicable regulatory guidelines (including the post-marketing requirements and the new cardiovascular outcomes trial, or CVOT) with respect to the commercialization, commercial packaging or development of Contrave, which could adversely impact the sales of Contrave and could result in administrative or judicially imposed sanctions, including warning letters, civil and criminal penalties, injunctions, product seizures or detention, product recalls, total or partial suspension of production and refusal to approve any new drug applications;
- Takeda may not provide us with timely and accurate information regarding sales activities and supply forecasts, which could adversely impact our ability to comply with our manufacturing and supply obligations under the collaboration agreement and our and Takeda's ability to commercialize Contrave;
- Takeda may experience financial difficulties;
- business combinations or significant changes in Takeda's business strategy may also adversely affect Takeda's ability to perform its obligations under our collaboration agreement;
- Takeda may not properly maintain or defend our intellectual property rights or may use our proprietary information in such a way as to invite litigation that could jeopardize or invalidate our proprietary information or expose us to potential litigation; and
- notwithstanding the non-competition requirements in the collaboration agreement, Takeda could independently move forward with a competing product candidate developed either independently or in collaboration with others, including our competitors.

Any failure of Takeda to adequately perform its obligations under our collaboration agreement or the termination of such agreement, or an amendment of the terms of such agreement on terms that are not favorable to us, could have a material and adverse impact on our ability to successfully commercialize Contrave, and our business.

If Contrave does not achieve broad market acceptance, the revenues, including any milestone or royalty payments we may be eligible to receive under our collaboration agreement with Takeda, that we generate from its sales will be limited.

The commercial success of our recently launched product, Contrave, or any other product candidates for which we obtain marketing approval from the FDA or other regulatory authorities will depend upon the acceptance of these products by both the medical community and patient population. Coverage and reimbursement of our product by third-party payors, including government payors, generally is also necessary for optimal commercial success. The degree of market acceptance of any of our approved products will depend on a number of factors, including:

- our ability to provide acceptable evidence of safety and efficacy;
- the timing of market introduction of our products as well as competitive products;
- the relative convenience and ease of administration;
- the prevalence and severity of any adverse side effects;
- limitations or warnings contained in a product's FDA-approved labeling, including, the "black box" warning(s) and pregnancy precautions associated with the active pharmaceutical ingredients, or APIs, in Contrave and included in Contrave's product label;

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- availability of alternative treatments and the potential or perceived advantages or disadvantages of such treatments, including, in the case of Contrave, a number of competitive products approved for the treatment of weight loss or expected to be commercially launched in the near future;
- pricing and cost effectiveness;
- our Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategy, or REMS, if any are imposed;
- the effectiveness of our, or our current or any future collaborators' sales and marketing strategies;
- our and our collaborative partner's ability to obtain sufficient third-party coverage or reimbursement; and
- the willingness of patients to pay out of pocket in the absence of third-party coverage.

If Contrave does not achieve an adequate level of acceptance by physicians, health care payors and patients, we may not generate sufficient revenue from our product, and we may not become or remain profitable. In addition, our and our collaborative partner's efforts to educate the medical community and third-party payors on the benefits of our product may require significant resources and may never be successful.

Even though Contrave received regulatory approval from the FDA and the European Commission, it will still be subject to ongoing and continued regulatory review and post-marketing requirements, which may result in significant expense and limit our ability to commercialize this product.*

Even though U.S. regulatory approval has been obtained for Contrave, the FDA has imposed restrictions on its indicated uses and marketing and imposed ongoing requirements for post-marketing studies and other activities. For example, the approved use of Contrave is limited as an adjunct to a reduced-calorie diet and increased physical activity for chronic weight management in adults with an initial BMI of 30 kg/m² or greater (obese), or 27 kg/m² or greater (overweight) in the presence of at least one weight-related comorbid condition. The label also contains a "boxed" warning regarding the potential for suicidal thoughts and behaviors and neuropsychiatric reactions as a side effect of the drug. We are also required to conduct a number of post-marketing studies. We are required to conduct a series of studies in obese pediatric patients to evaluate the safety and efficacy of Contrave for weight management in pediatric populations. We are also required to perform a group of short-term trials, including a thorough QT study, single-dose pharmacokinetic studies in renal and hepatic impairment, and a drug-drug interaction study. Finally, although FDA approval of Contrave was based in part on 25% interim analysis data from the Light Study, which evaluates the CV safety of Contrave, the FDA determined that the Light Study would not satisfy a post-marketing requirement related to CV outcomes. As a result, the FDA is requiring Takeda, the sponsor, to conduct a new placebo-controlled cardiovascular outcomes trial, or CVOT, with a pre-specified goal to exclude a hazard ratio of 1.4, with the upper bound of the 95% confidence interval. The protocol for the new CVOT trial was finalized with the FDA in April 2015 and we expect the trial to begin in the second half of 2015, with the final study results available by January 2022. We expect to pay a substantial portion of the CVOT. Any issues relating to these restrictions or post-marketing requirements (including a delay in conducting the post-marketing required studies) could have an adverse impact on our ability to achieve market acceptance of or continue marketing Contrave in the United States and for us to generate revenue from its sale in the United States. To the extent that Contrave is approved for sale in other countries, we may be subject to similar restrictions and requirements imposed by laws and government regulators in those countries.

Contrave will also be subject to ongoing FDA requirements governing the manufacturing, labeling, packaging, storage, advertising, promotion, recordkeeping and submission of safety and other post-market information. These requirements include submissions of safety and other post-marketing information and reports, registration, as well as continued compliance with current good manufacturing practice, or cGMP, regulations and good clinical practice, or GCP, requirements for any clinical trials that we conduct post-approval.

Approved products, manufacturers and manufacturers' facilities are subject to continual review and periodic inspections. Later discovery of previously unknown problems with a product, such as adverse events of unanticipated severity or frequency, problems with the facility where the product is manufactured, or failure to comply with regulatory requirements, may result in, among other things, restrictions on that product or on us or a collaborative partner, including:

- withdrawal of the product from the market or voluntary or mandatory product recalls
- warning letters or untitled letters;

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- civil or criminal penalties, including fines;
- withdrawal of regulatory approval;
- suspension of any ongoing clinical trials;
- refusal by the FDA to approve pending applications or supplements to approved applications filed by us, or suspension or revocation of product approvals;
- restrictions on operations, including restrictions on the marketing or manufacturing of the product or the imposition of costly new manufacturing requirements; or
- seizure or detention, or refusal to permit the import or export of products.

In addition, the FDA's policies may change and additional government regulations may be enacted that could impact the marketing of Contrace. If we are slow or unable to adapt to changes in existing requirements or the adoption of new requirements or policies, or if we are not able to maintain regulatory compliance, we may lose any marketing approval that we may have obtained, which would adversely affect our business, prospects and ability to achieve or sustain profitability.

Our clinical trials, including the CVOT and other post-marketing required studies, may fail to demonstrate acceptable levels of safety or efficacy of Contrace, which could prevent or significantly delay Contrace's regulatory approval in countries outside the United States and the European Union and may adversely impact our ability to maintain regulatory approval in the United States and the European Union.*

Contrace is prone to the risks of failure inherent in drug development, even following approval from the FDA. Even though U.S. regulatory approval has been obtained for Contrace, the FDA has imposed ongoing requirements for post-marketing studies. Takeda, the sponsor, is required to conduct a number of post-marketing studies, including a series of studies in obese pediatric patients to evaluate the safety and efficacy of Contrace for weight management in pediatric populations, a group of short-term trials, including a thorough QT study, single-dose pharmacokinetic studies in renal and hepatic impairment, and a drug-drug interaction study. Finally, although FDA approval of Contrace was based in part on 25% interim analysis data from the Light Study, which evaluates the CV safety of Contrace, the FDA determined that the Light Study would not satisfy a post-marketing requirement related to CV outcomes. As a result, the FDA is requiring us to conduct a new CVOT with a pre-specified goal to exclude a hazard ratio of 1.4, with the upper bound of the 95% confidence interval. The protocol for the new CVOT trial was finalized with the FDA in April 2015 and we expect the trial to begin in the second half of 2015, with the final study results available by January 2022. Any issues relating to these post-marketing requirements (including a delay in conducting the post-marketing required studies and issues relating to the safety or efficacy of Contrace) could have an adverse impact on our ability to receive regulatory approval outside the United States, achieve market acceptance of or continue marketing Contrace in the United States and for us to generate revenue from its sale in the United States. To the extent that Contrace is approved for sale in other countries, we may be subject to similar restrictions and requirements imposed by laws and government regulators in those countries.

Before obtaining regulatory approvals for the commercial sale of any product candidate for a target indication, we must demonstrate with substantial evidence gathered in adequate and well-controlled clinical trials, and, with respect to approval in other countries, similar regulatory authorities in those countries, that the product candidate is safe and effective for use for that target indication.

In addition, we may need to complete additional preclinical testing of any product candidate to evaluate safety and toxicity and the FDA may require us to conduct additional clinical trials. The results from the preclinical and clinical trials that we have completed for Contrace may not be replicated in future trials, or we may be unable to demonstrate sufficient safety and efficacy to obtain the requisite regulatory approvals for Contrace (outside the United States and the European Union) and maintain approval for Contrace in the United States. A number of companies in the biotechnology and pharmaceutical industries have suffered significant setbacks in advanced clinical trials, including post-marketing clinical trials, even after promising results in earlier trials. If Contrace is not shown to be safe and effective in clinical trials, our clinical development program could be delayed or terminated. Any delays could also result in the need for additional financing, and our failure to adequately demonstrate the efficacy and safety of any other product candidates that we may develop, in-license or acquire would prevent receipt or maintenance of regulatory approval and, ultimately, the commercialization of that product candidate.

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We expect intense competition in the obesity marketplace for Contrave and new products may emerge that provide different or better therapeutic alternatives for obesity and weight loss.*

Contrave competes with well-established prescription drugs for the treatment of obesity, including Xenical® (orlistat), marketed by Genentech, Inc. Orlistat has also been launched by GlaxoSmithKline in over-the-counter form under the brand name alli®, which represents additional competition and potential negative pricing pressure. Orlistat is marketed by a pharmaceutical company with substantially greater resources than we have. In addition, a number of generic pharmaceutical products are prescribed for obesity, including phentermine, phendimetrazine, benzphetamine and diethylpropion. Some of these generic drugs, and others, are prescribed in combinations that have shown anecdotal evidence of efficacy. These products are sold at much lower prices than Contrave. The availability of a large number of branded prescription products, including drugs that are prescribed off-label, generic products and over-the-counter products could limit the demand for, and the price we or our collaborative partner are able to charge for Contrave and any future products. Vivus, Inc. commercially launched its combination product, phentermine/topiramate, in the United States under the name Qsymia in September 2012. Eisai Inc., the collaboration partner of Arena Pharmaceuticals, Inc., or Arena, commercially launched lorcaserin in the United States under the name Belviq in June 2013. Vivus, Arena and Eisai may already have built a significant competitive advantage as we and our collaborative partner begin to market Contrave. Moreover, Novo Nordisk's product, Saxenda, recently received FDA approval as well as approval from the European Commission and is expected to commercially launch in 2015. These products represent additional competition and potential negative pricing pressure with respect to Contrave. Further, if safety concerns about these products' use arise after their launch, such concerns may materially and adversely affect the commercialization of Contrave.

Currently, there are a number of drug products in development for obesity which could become competitors against our product. These include products being developed by AstraZeneca, Athersys, Inc., Johnson & Johnson, Norgine BV, A/S, Novo Nordisk, and Zafgen, Inc.

There are also surgical approaches to treat severe obesity that are becoming increasingly accepted and could become competitors against our product. Two of the most well established surgical procedures are gastric bypass surgery and adjustable gastric banding. In addition, other potential approaches which utilize various implantable devices or surgical tools are in development, including an endoscopic approach for treating obesity. Some of these approaches are in late stage development and may be approved for marketing. Companies such as Allergan, Inc., Boston Scientific, Covidien Ltd., EnteroMedics, Inc., GI Dynamics, Inc., Johnson & Johnson and Medtronic, Inc. are all active in this space and may have substantially greater resources than we have.

New developments, including the development of other drug technologies and methods of preventing the incidence of disease, occur in the nutritional, pharmaceutical and medical technology industries at a rapid pace. These developments may render our product less competitive. Some of our potential competitors are large pharmaceutical or device firms and have substantially greater resources than we have. These resources could be directed toward the obesity market and include:

- research and development resources, including personnel and technology;
- regulatory experience;
- drug development and clinical trial experience;
- experience and expertise in exploitation of intellectual property rights; and
- capital resources.

As a result of these factors, our competitors may more rapidly develop products than we did or may do in the future or may obtain patent protection or other intellectual property rights that limit our ability to develop or commercialize our product. Our competitors may also develop drugs or surgical approaches that are more effective, more useful and less costly than ours and may also be more successful in manufacturing and marketing their products. In addition, our competitors may be more effective in commercializing their products. We currently outsource our manufacturing and therefore rely on third parties for that competitive expertise. There can be no assurance that we will be able to develop or contract for these capabilities on acceptable economic terms, or at all.

We and our collaborative partner are subject to uncertainty relating to reimbursement policies which, if not favorable to Contrave, could hinder or prevent Contrave's commercial success.

Our ability and our collaborative partner's ability to commercialize our approved product successfully will depend in part on the extent to which governmental authorities, private health insurers and other third-party payors establish appropriate coverage and reimbursement levels for our product and related treatments. As a threshold for coverage and reimbursement, third-party payors generally require that drug products have been approved for marketing by the FDA. Third-party payors also are increasingly challenging the effectiveness of and prices charged for medical products and services. We cannot provide any assurances that we or our collaborative partner will be able to obtain third-party coverage or reimbursement for our product in whole or in part.

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The obesity therapy market, in particular, continues to be marked by limited coverage and reimbursement from health insurers and other payors, who have historically viewed obesity as a lifestyle issue. For example, state Medicaid programs, administered by individual states for qualifying low-income individuals, are permitted to exclude coverage for weight loss drugs. In addition, weight loss drugs are excluded from coverage under the Medicare Part D prescription drug program for eligible seniors and disabled individuals. Medicare is a federal governmental third-party payor whose policies often are emulated or adopted by other payors. Although the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, or CMS, which administers the Medicare program, has removed longstanding policy language that obesity itself cannot be considered an illness, the agency interprets the Part D exclusion of weight loss drugs as applying to novel obesity therapies. However, CMS has since issued a national policy covering bariatric surgery for co-morbid conditions associated with obesity, and extended coverage under the Medicare program for intensive behavioral therapy for beneficiaries with obesity. The benefit provides for screening for obesity and counseling for eligible beneficiaries by primary care providers in physician's offices. Although third-party payors' willingness to cover and reimburse obesity-related products and services appear to be changing, as exemplified by Medicare changes, we may continue to face a poor coverage and reimbursement environment.

Currently, our competitors' drug products have limited third-party payor coverage. This means that individuals prescribed such drug products often either have significant out-of-pocket costs or pay for the products entirely by themselves. If our product does not receive adequate coverage or reimbursement, the market acceptance and commercial success of our product may be limited.

Our failure to successfully acquire, develop and market additional product candidates or approved products would impair our ability to grow.

As part of our corporate strategy, we may acquire, in-license, develop and/or market additional products and product candidates. Because our internal research capabilities are limited, we may be dependent upon pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies, academic scientists and other researchers to sell or license products or technology to us. The success of this strategy depends partly upon our ability to identify, select and acquire promising pharmaceutical product candidates and products.

The process of proposing, negotiating and implementing a license or acquisition of a product candidate or approved product is lengthy and complex. Other companies, including some with substantially greater financial, marketing and sales resources, may compete with us for the license or acquisition of product candidates and approved products. We have limited resources to identify and execute the acquisition or in-licensing of third-party products, businesses and technologies and integrate them into our current infrastructure. Moreover, we may devote resources to potential acquisitions or in-licensing opportunities that are never completed, or we may fail to realize the anticipated benefits of such efforts. We may not be able to acquire the rights to additional product candidates on terms that we find acceptable, or at all.

In addition, future acquisitions may entail numerous operational and financial risks, including:

- exposure to unknown liabilities;
- disruption of our business and diversion of our management's time and attention to develop acquired products or technologies;
- incurrence of substantial debt or dilutive issuances of securities to pay for acquisitions;
- higher than expected acquisition and integration costs;
- increased amortization expenses;
- difficulty and cost in combining the operations and personnel of any acquired businesses with our operations and personnel;
- impairment of relationships with key suppliers or customers of any acquired businesses due to changes in management and ownership; and
- inability to retain key employees of any acquired businesses.

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Further, any product candidate that we acquire may require additional development efforts prior to commercial sale, including extensive clinical testing and approval by the FDA and applicable foreign regulatory authorities. All product candidates are prone to risks of failure typical of pharmaceutical product development, including the possibility that a product candidate will not be shown to be sufficiently safe and effective for approval by regulatory authorities. In addition, we cannot provide assurance that any products that we develop or approved products that we may acquire will be commercialized profitably or achieve market acceptance.

Disclosure of interim results of ongoing clinical trials or delays in the commencement, the transfer and delivery of clinical trial information or completion of clinical trials or the requirement to conduct additional clinical trials could result in increased costs to us and delay or limit our ability to continue development programs, maintain or receive additional regulatory approvals and/or generate revenues.*

Disclosure of interim results of ongoing clinical trials, including disclosure of interim results related to the protection of our intellectual property, or delays in the commencement, the transfer and delivery of clinical trial information or completion of clinical trials could significantly affect our product development costs or adversely impact our ability to maintain or receive additional regulatory approvals. We do not know whether clinical trials will begin on time or whether clinical trials will be completed on schedule, if at all. The commencement, transfer and delivery of clinical trial information and completion of clinical trials can be delayed for a number of reasons, including delays related to:

- obtaining regulatory approval to commence a clinical trial, including regulatory approval of the design of a clinical trial;
- reaching agreement on acceptable terms with prospective contract research organizations, or CROs, and trial sites, the terms of which can be subject to extensive negotiation and may vary significantly among different CROs and trial sites;
- manufacturing sufficient quantities of a product for use in clinical trials;
- obtaining institutional review board, or IRB, approval to conduct a clinical trial at a prospective site;
- recruiting and enrolling patients to participate in clinical trials for a variety of reasons, including competition from other clinical trial programs for the treatment of obesity or similar indications and the restrictions imposed by the design and length of a clinical trial;
- retaining patients who have initiated a clinical trial, but may be prone to withdraw due to side effects from the therapy, lack of efficacy or personal issues, or who are lost to further follow-up;
- the status of our collaborative relationship with Takeda with respect to the post-marketing requirements for Contrave and any additional clinical trials required for Contrave; and
- timely collection, review and analysis of our clinical trial data.

Clinical trials may also be delayed or terminated as a result of disclosure of interim results, including ambiguous or negative interim results. In addition, a clinical trial may be suspended or terminated by us, a collaborative partner, the FDA, the IRB overseeing the clinical trial at issue, any of our clinical trial sites with respect to that site, or other regulatory authorities due to a number of factors, including:

- failure to conduct the clinical trial in accordance with regulatory requirements or our clinical protocols;
- lack of adequate funding or other resources to continue the clinical trial;
- inspection of the clinical trial operations or trial sites by the FDA or other regulatory authorities resulting in the imposition of a clinical hold;
- unforeseen safety issues; and
- logistical and operational challenges inherent in complex clinical trials.

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Additionally, changes in regulatory requirements and guidance for developing products for weight management may occur and we may need to initiate new clinical trials or change protocols of existing clinical trials to account for these changes. For instance, based on the FDA's interpretation of the input received from the March 2012 EMDAC meeting, the FDA may issue final guidance on developing products for weight management. In addition, many of the factors that cause, or lead to, a delay in the commencement or completion or termination of clinical trials, may also ultimately lead to the termination of a development program and/or the denial of regulatory approval of a product candidate, including the denial of an NDA or regulatory approval outside the United States.

Contrace may cause undesirable side effects that could delay or prevent commercialization, limit the commercial profile of an approved label, result in significant negative consequences following marketing approval or delay or prevent regulatory approval.*

Undesirable side effects caused by our product could cause regulatory authorities to withdraw or limit their approval of the product or could cause us or regulatory authorities to interrupt, delay or halt clinical trials and could result in a more restrictive label or the delay or denial of regulatory approval by the FDA or other regulatory authorities. Contrace has been evaluated in four completed Phase III clinical trials, which we refer to collectively as the Contrace Obesity Research, or COR, program. Across the entire COR program, seven patients experienced serious adverse events that were attributed by investigators as possibly related or related to Contrace treatment. These consisted of cholecystitis (gallbladder inflammation) (2), seizure (2), palpitations (1), paresthesia (1) and vertigo (1). The most frequently observed treatment-emergent adverse events were nausea, constipation, headache, vomiting, dizziness, insomnia, dry mouth and diarrhea. Nausea was the leading adverse event resulting in discontinuation; however, for the majority of patients experiencing nausea, it was mild to moderate, transient and manageable. In the Light Study 25% interim analysis, which interim analysis was designed only as an early and preliminary assessment of safety to support regulatory approvals of Contrace, there were no unexpected new safety signals observed. Serious adverse events and adverse events leading to discontinuation were generally consistent with the overall safety profile established in the COR program. However, a larger number of CV events are required to more accurately determine the effect of Contrace on CV outcomes and these safety conclusions may change in connection with additional data from the Light Study or the required post-marketing CVOT, which new CVOT is expected to begin in the second half of 2015.

The safety data we have disclosed to date represents our interpretation of the data at the time of disclosure and it is subject to our further review and analysis. Serious adverse events have been reported to the FDA and study investigators as required in accordance with current guidelines and standards. Serious adverse events that are not characterized by clinical investigators as possibly related to our study drug or adverse events that occur in small numbers may not be disclosed to the public until such time the various documents submitted to the FDA as part of the approval process are made public. We are unable to determine if the subsequent disclosure of adverse events will have an adverse effect on our stock price. In addition, our interpretation of the safety data from our clinical trials is contingent upon the review and ultimate approval of the FDA. The FDA may not agree with our methods of analysis or our interpretation of the results.

In addition, the constituent drugs of our product each has its own side effect profile that is included in the respective current product label. Contrace's label includes the side effect profiles of each of its constituent drugs, including a "boxed" warning regarding the potential for suicidal thoughts and behaviors and neuropsychiatric reactions as a side effect of the drug. Moreover, patients in our clinical trials may experience side effects that are indicated in the constituent drugs' labels, as was the case with the side effects experienced by patients in our clinical trials of Contrace. In addition, while the constituent drugs that make up Contrace have post-marketing safety records and while we have tested these constituent drugs in combination in our clinical trials of Contrace to date, the safety of the combined use of the constituents of Contrace is not yet fully known, and any future trials may produce side effects not observed to date. Any of the side effects of Contrace, or its individual constituent drugs, could limit the commercial profile of the approved label.

Further, if we or others, including our collaborative partner, identify undesirable side effects caused by the recently launched Contrace, a number of potentially significant negative consequences could result, including:

- regulatory authorities may withdraw or limit their approval of the product;
- regulatory authorities may require the addition of labeling statements, such as an additional "boxed" warning with Contrace or an additional contraindication;
- we may be required to change the way the product is distributed or administered, conduct additional clinical trials or change the labeling of the product;
- we or our collaborative partner may decide to remove the products from the marketplace;

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- we could be sued and held liable for injury caused to individuals exposed to or taking our product; and
- our reputation may suffer.

Any of these events could prevent us and our collaborative partner from achieving or maintaining market acceptance of Contrave or any other affected product candidate and could substantially increase the costs of commercializing Contrave and significantly impact our ability and our collaborative partner's ability to successfully commercialize Contrave and generate revenues.

We rely primarily on third parties to assist us in the conduct of our clinical trials. If these third parties do not successfully carry out their contractual duties or meet expected deadlines, we may not be able to commercialize our product within our expected timeframes or at all.*

We expect to use a CRO to assist us with monitoring, oversight and statistical support for the additional post-marketing requirements for Contrave/Mysimba. The third parties with whom we contract for execution of our clinical trials play a significant role in the conduct of our clinical trials and the subsequent collection, review and analysis of data. These third parties, including CROs and investigators, are not our employees, and we have limited ability to control the amount or timing of resources that they devote to our programs. Nevertheless, we are responsible for ensuring that each of our studies is conducted in accordance with the applicable protocol, legal, regulatory and scientific standards and that our regulatory filings are consistent with regulatory requirements. Our reliance on CROs does not relieve us of our regulatory responsibilities. We and our CROs that assist us with our clinical studies are required to comply with GCPs, which are regulations and guidelines enforced by the FDA and comparable foreign regulatory authorities for products in clinical development. Regulatory authorities enforce these GCPs through periodic inspections of trial sponsors, principal investigators and trial sites. If we or our CROs fail to comply with applicable GCPs, the clinical data generated in our clinical trials may be deemed unreliable and regulatory authorities may not accept the clinical data in support of our marketing applications or in connection with our post-marketing commitments. We cannot assure you that upon inspection by a given regulatory authority, such authority will determine that any clinical trial complied with GCP requirements. In addition, our clinical trials must be conducted with product produced under cGMP regulations. If our CROs, consultants or independent investigators fail to devote sufficient time and resources to our drug development programs, or if their performance is substandard or fails to comply with regulatory requirements, it may adversely impact the commercialization of our product. In addition, the execution of clinical trials, the subsequent compilation, review and analysis of the data produced and the preparation of regulatory applications requires coordination among various parties. In order for these functions to be carried out effectively and efficiently, it is imperative that these parties provide the necessary resources and communicate and coordinate with one another. If these third parties are unable to provide the necessary resources or coordinate and communicate with one another, our clinical trials may be delayed or the completion and analysis of the data and the related regulatory applications may be delayed or compromised. Moreover, these third parties may also have relationships with other commercial entities, some of which may compete with us. If these third parties also contract to provide services for our competitors, it could adversely affect our business.

If the contract manufacturers upon whom we rely fail to produce our product in the volumes that we and Takeda require on a timely basis, or fail to comply with stringent regulations applicable to pharmaceutical drug manufacturers, we and Takeda may face delays in the development and commercialization of Contrave.

We do not currently possess nor do we plan to implement manufacturing processes internally. We currently utilize the services of contract manufacturers to manufacture our clinical and commercial supplies. These supplies include the formulations of our product's APIs from our API suppliers, the tablets combining those components and the bottles used to package these tablets for commercial use and use in clinical trials. If the contract manufacturers upon whom we rely fail to produce our product in the volumes required on a timely basis, we may face delays in the continued development and commercialization of Contrave. In addition, pursuant to an amendment to our collaboration agreement with Takeda, effective in September 2013, Takeda assumed from us the responsibility to package Contrave for commercial sale in the United States, Canada and Mexico, and in September 2014, we entered into a manufacturing services agreement with Takeda to supply to Takeda all of Takeda's requirements of Contrave for commercialization in the United States.

In March 2010, we entered into a long-term manufacturing services agreement, or manufacturing agreement, with Patheon Pharmaceuticals and Patheon Inc., which we collectively refer to as Patheon, pursuant to which Patheon has agreed to manufacture commercial quantities of our Contrave tablet products. Under the terms of the manufacturing agreement, as amended by the parties in November 2013, we are required to purchase from Patheon a certain percentage of our requirements for Contrave tablet products intended for commercial sale, provided certain terms and conditions are met. The initial term of the manufacturing agreement commenced in March 2010 and shall continue in effect until December 31, 2019. Upon expiration of the initial term, the agreement will be automatically renewed for additional two year terms. Patheon may terminate the manufacturing

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agreement at any time upon specified prior written notice to us. We may also terminate the manufacturing agreement with specified prior written notice to Patheon, subject to our payment of certain termination amounts. Either party may terminate the manufacturing agreement effective immediately upon written notice to the other in the event that (a) the other party dissolves, is declared insolvent or bankrupt by a court of competent jurisdiction, (b) a voluntary petition of bankruptcy is filed in any court of competent jurisdiction, or (c) the manufacturing agreement is assigned for the benefit of creditors. We may terminate the manufacturing agreement upon specified prior written notice if any governmental or regulatory authority, including, but not limited to, the FDA, takes any action, or raises any objection, that prevents us from importing, exporting, purchasing or selling Contrave tablet products. We are also required to give specified advance notice if we intend to no longer order commercial supplies of Contrave tablet products pursuant to the manufacturing agreement due to the product's discontinuance in the market. Patheon may terminate the manufacturing agreement upon specified prior written notice to us if we assign any of our rights under the manufacturing agreement to an assignee that, in the opinion of Patheon acting reasonably, is (a) not a credit worthy substitute for us, or (b) a competitor of Patheon. Moreover, either party may terminate the manufacturing agreement upon written notice to the other party where the other party has failed to remedy a material breach of any of its representations, warranties, or other obligations under the manufacturing agreement within a specified period of time following receipt of a written notice of the breach, subject to specified terms and conditions.

If we change to other manufacturers in the future, the FDA and comparable foreign regulators must approve these manufacturers' facilities and processes prior to use, which would require new testing and compliance inspections, and the new manufacturers would have to be educated in or demonstrate successful technology transfer of the processes necessary for the production of our product.

The manufacture of pharmaceutical products requires significant expertise and capital investment, including the development of advanced manufacturing techniques and process controls. Manufacturers of pharmaceutical products often encounter difficulties in production, particularly in scaling up for commercial production. These problems include difficulties with production costs and yields, quality control, including stability of the product and quality assurance testing, shortages of qualified personnel and production capacity, equipment failures as well as compliance with strictly enforced federal, state and foreign regulations, which include product requirements established by the FDA or other regulatory agencies and stability requirements in other foreign countries that our current product candidate formulations may not be able to meet. If our manufacturers were to encounter any of these difficulties in the United States or in other foreign countries or otherwise fail to comply with their obligations to us, or if we or our collaborative partner do not accurately forecast our demand, our ability or our collaborative partner's ability to support the commercial sale of Contrave or to provide product to patients in our and our collaborative partner's clinical trials would be jeopardized. Any delay or interruption in our ability to meet commercial demand for Contrave will result in the loss of potential revenues. Any delay or interruption in the supply of clinical trial supplies could delay the completion of clinical trials, increase the costs associated with maintaining a clinical trial program and, depending upon the period of delay, require us or such collaborative partner to commence new trials at significant additional expense or terminate the trials completely.

In addition, all manufacturers of our products must comply with cGMP requirements enforced by the FDA through its facilities inspection program. These requirements include, among other things, quality control, quality assurance and the generation and maintenance of records and documentation. Manufacturers of our products may be unable to comply with these cGMP requirements and with other FDA, state and foreign regulatory requirements. While we are ultimately responsible for ensuring that our contract manufacturers operate in accordance with cGMP requirements and have implemented a quality oversight program, we have little control over our manufacturers' compliance with these regulations and standards. A failure to comply with these requirements may result in fines and civil penalties, suspension of production, suspension or delay in product approval, product seizure or recall, or withdrawal of product approval. If the safety of any product supplied is compromised due to our manufacturers' failure to adhere to applicable laws or for other reasons, we may not be able to successfully commercialize Contrave or obtain regulatory approval for or successfully complete any required clinical trials, and we may be held liable for any injuries sustained as a result. Any of these factors could cause a delay in the sale of Contrave or any of its clinical trials, entail higher costs or result in our or Takeda being unable to effectively commercialize Contrave. Furthermore, if our manufacturers fail to deliver the required commercial quantities on a timely basis, pursuant to provided specifications and at commercially reasonable prices, we and Takeda may be unable to meet demand for Contrave and would lose potential revenues.

There are labeled adverse side effects to the individual use of bupropion and naltrexone.

A key constituent of Contrave is bupropion, which has been approved by the FDA for the treatment of depression and to assist smoking cessation. The FDA has directed manufacturers of all antidepressant drugs to include in their product labels a "boxed" warning and expanded warning statements regarding an increased risk of suicidal thinking and behavior in children and adolescents being treated with these drugs. The package insert for bupropion includes such a "boxed" warning statement. In December 2006, the FDA held an advisory committee meeting regarding suicidal thinking and behavior in adults being treated with antidepressant drugs. The advisory committee recommended that the "boxed" warning be extended to cover adults up to

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their mid-20s. The package insert for Contrave includes a “boxed” warning regarding the potential for suicidal thoughts and behaviors and neuropsychiatric reactions as a side effect of the drug. To the extent that any additional warnings or labeling changes related to suicidal thinking and behavior in adults are required, we expect that any such additional warnings or other labeling changes will also be required on labeling for Contrave. In July 2009, the FDA issued a news release announcing that it was requiring manufacturers to put a “boxed” warning on the prescribing information for smoking cessation drugs including Zyban®, which is a branded form of bupropion. The warning highlights the risk of serious mental health events including changes in behavior, depressed mood, hostility, and suicidal thoughts. Although Contrave is not intended to be promoted for or used in the treatment of major depression or smoking cessation, a similar warning is included in the labeling for Contrave, particularly because it is likely that there will be obese patients who smoke or depressed obese patients who will use Contrave.

The FDA has also directed manufacturers of antidepressant drugs to create Medication Guides to be distributed to patients regarding the risk of suicidal thinking and behavior in children and adolescents. Although we have not included children or adolescents in the Contrave clinical trials, the FDA required us to create a Medication Guide for Contrave. These warnings and other requirements may have the effect of limiting the market acceptance by our collaborative partner’s targeted physicians and patients of Contrave.

The other constituent of Contrave, naltrexone, has been approved by the FDA for the treatment of alcohol and opioid dependence. The FDA has directed the manufacturers of naltrexone for these indications to include in their product labels a “boxed” warning and expanded warnings statements regarding hepatotoxicity, or liver toxicity. A similar warning statement is included in the labeling for Contrave.

Each of the constituent drugs included in the Contrave combination has in its package insert a “Category C” pregnancy precaution. This means that animal studies have shown that each of these constituent drugs has the potential to cause birth defects and that there have been no adequate and well-controlled studies of the constituent drugs in pregnant women, but that the FDA has determined that the benefits from the use of such drugs in pregnant women may be acceptable despite the potential risks. In addition, although Contrave is not known to be teratogenic, it appears from a recent FDA action, in which the FDA stated that weight loss offers no potential benefit to a pregnant woman and may result in fetal harm, that the FDA is likely to classify all weight loss pharmaceutical products as Category X. Contrave, the obesity therapeutics approved by the FDA in 2012 and orlistat all have Category X pregnancy precautions.

Any of these known side effects and any associated warning statements or classification or categorization of risk may limit the commercial profile of the approved label for Contrave and prevent us or Takeda from achieving or maintaining market acceptance of Contrave.

The FDA and other regulatory agencies actively enforce the laws and regulations prohibiting the promotion of off-label uses, and we may be subject to fines, penalties or injunctions if we are determined to be promoting the use of our products for unapproved or “off-label” uses, resulting in damage to our reputation and business.

The FDA and other regulatory agencies strictly regulate the promotional claims that may be made about approved drugs, such as Contrave. In particular, a product may not be promoted for uses that are not approved by the FDA or such other regulatory agencies as reflected in the product’s approved labeling, also known as “off-label” promotion. Physicians may nevertheless use our product for their patients in a manner that is inconsistent with the approved label, as the FDA does not restrict or regulate a physician’s choice of treatment within the practice of medicine. If the FDA determines that our promotional materials or training or the statements made by our sales representatives constitute promotion of an off-label use, it could request that we modify our training or promotional materials or subject us to regulatory or enforcement actions, which could have an adverse impact on our reputation and financial results.

If the suppliers upon whom we rely for API fail to produce such ingredients in the volumes that we or Takeda require on a timely basis, or to comply with stringent regulations applicable to pharmaceutical drug manufacturers, we or Takeda may face delays in the further development or commercialization of Contrave.

We do not manufacture any of our API nor do we plan to develop any capacity to do so. Instead, we rely on suppliers of API to provide component materials to our other contract manufacturers, who produce finished pharmaceutical products incorporating the API. The failure or inability of our API suppliers to satisfy our API requirements on a timely basis could delay the commercialization of Contrave.

Although naltrexone itself is not addictive, synthesis of naltrexone is a multi-step process with a natural opiate starting material that has the potential for abuse and is therefore regulated as a controlled substance under the federal Controlled Substances Act or applicable foreign equivalents. As such, manufacturers of naltrexone API must be registered with the Drug Enforcement Administration, or DEA, or applicable foreign equivalents. Manufacturers making naltrexone also must obtain

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annual quotas from the DEA for the opiate starting material. Because of the DEA-related requirements and modest current demand for naltrexone API, there currently exist a limited number of manufacturers of this API. Therefore, API costs for naltrexone are greater than for the other constituents of our product. Demand for Contrave may require amounts of naltrexone greater than the currently available worldwide supply or our or our collaborative partner's current forecasts for the supply to us of Contrave or its components. Any lack of sufficient quantities of naltrexone would limit our or Takeda's ability to continue to commercialize Contrave and complete any additional required clinical trials. Although we are evaluating additional possible manufacturers to supplement our current naltrexone manufacturing capacity, including those in the United States, Europe and Asia, we may not be successful in accessing additional manufacturing supply of naltrexone API or other necessary components of our product at the appropriate quantities, quality or price.

In January 2009, we entered into a long-term supply agreement with Cilag AG, pursuant to which Cilag will manufacture commercial supplies of naltrexone for use in our drug products. The supply agreement shall continue in effect until December 31, 2018. Either party may terminate the supply agreement effective immediately upon written notice to the other in the event that (a) the other party dissolves, is declared insolvent or bankrupt by a court of competent jurisdiction, (b) a voluntary or involuntary petition of bankruptcy is filed in any court of competent jurisdiction, or (c) the supply agreement is assigned for the benefit of creditors. In addition, we may terminate the supply agreement effective immediately upon written notice in the event that (a) any regulatory agency takes any action, or raises any objection that prevents us from importing, exporting, purchasing or selling a finished product containing naltrexone, (b) the product containing naltrexone fails during clinical trials and we withdraw our NDA, (c) we determine, in our sole discretion, to no longer pursue the development and/or commercialization of a product containing naltrexone, or (d) a legal proceeding shall be instituted against Cilag, which is reasonably likely to materially adversely affect Cilag's ability to properly perform under the supply agreement or subject us to any material risk of liability or loss. Moreover, either party may terminate the agreement upon specified written notice of a failure by the other party to perform or observe any material covenant, condition or agreement to be performed or observed by it under the supply agreement, unless such breach has been cured within the specified notice period.

We entered into a supply agreement with Mallinckrodt, effective January 2013, pursuant to which Mallinckrodt manufactured commercial supplies of naltrexone for use in Contrave. The initial term of this supply agreement terminated in December 2014. Until an additional agreement is executed by both parties, we plan to purchase our supplies of naltrexone from Mallinckrodt pursuant to purchase orders.

Other than our agreement with Cilag, we have no other material, long-term commitments or supply agreements with any of our other API suppliers. Although we may seek to establish additional long-term supply commitments in the future, we may be required to agree to minimum volume requirements, exclusivity arrangements or other restrictions. We may not be able to enter into additional long-term agreements, including an additional agreement with Mallinckrodt, on commercially reasonable terms, or at all. Consequently, we and our collaborative partner may not be able to successfully commercialize Contrave if we are unable to secure long-term supply commitments for its API components.

In addition, our API suppliers must comply with cGMP requirements enforced by the FDA through its facilities inspection program and must maintain and comply with their respective DMFs on file with the FDA. These requirements include, among other things, quality control, quality assurance and the generation and maintenance of records and documentation. Suppliers of our API may be unable to comply with these cGMP requirements and with other FDA, state and foreign regulatory requirements. While we are ultimately responsible for ensuring that our contract manufacturers operate in accordance with cGMP requirements and have implemented a quality oversight program, we have little control over our manufacturers' compliance with these regulations and standards. A failure to comply with these requirements may result in fines and civil penalties, suspension of production, suspension or delay in product approval, product seizure or recall, or withdrawal of product approval. If the safety of any product supplied is compromised due to our suppliers' failure to adhere to applicable laws or for other reasons, we may not be able to successfully commercialize Contrave, and we may be held liable for an injuries sustained as a result. Any of these factors could cause a delay of clinical trials or commercialization of Contrave, entail higher costs or result in our and Takeda being unable to effectively commercialize our product. Furthermore, if our suppliers fail to deliver the required commercial quantities of API on a timely basis, pursuant to the required specifications set forth in their respective DMF and at commercially reasonable prices, and we are unable to timely secure and qualify additional suppliers with applicable regulatory authorities, we and Takeda may not be able to successfully commercialize Contrave and/or we and Takeda may be unable to meet demand for our product and would lose potential revenues.

Contrave is a combination of generically-available pharmaceutical products, and our success is dependent on our ability and Takeda's ability to compete against off-label generic substitutes and demonstrate the advantages of our proprietary combination products.

Off-label use occurs when physicians prescribe a drug that is approved by the FDA for one indication for a different, unapproved indication. We believe that a practitioner seeking safe and effective therapy is not likely to prescribe such off-label

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generics in place of Contrave because the dosage strengths, pharmacokinetic profiles and titration regimens recommended for Contrave are not available using existing generic preparations of immediate release, or IR, naltrexone and bupropion ER, and there are no oral generic ER formulations of naltrexone. However, a physician could seek to prescribe off-label generics in place of Contrave. Such off-label prescriptions could significantly diminish the market potential of our product and significantly impact our ability and Takeda's ability to generate revenues.

With regard to off-label substitution at the pharmacy level, we expect to rely on the novel dose ratios and novel pharmacokinetic properties of our product, as well as the differences in its approved indications, to provide sufficient distinction such that generic preparations are not considered therapeutic equivalents by the FDA. State pharmacy laws in many instances only permit pharmacists to substitute generic products for branded products if the products are therapeutic equivalents. Therefore, the lack of therapeutic equivalency should limit generic substitution by pharmacies and/or pharmacy benefit managers. However, we cannot be certain that pharmacists and/or pharmacy benefit managers will not seek prescriber authorization to substitute generics in place of Contrave, which could significantly diminish their market potential and significantly impact our ability and our collaborative partner's ability to successfully commercialize our product and generate revenues.

In addition, although we believe the current market prices for the generic forms of naltrexone make generic substitution by physicians, pharmacists or pharmacy benefit managers unlikely, should the prices of the generic forms decline, the motivation for generic substitution may become stronger. Wide scale generic substitution by physicians and at the pharmacy level could have substantial negative consequences to our business.

We have limited sales and marketing experience and resources, and if we do not enter into additional collaboration or co-promotion arrangements, we may not be able to effectively market and sell Contrave outside the United States, Canada or Mexico, and our ability to generate revenues may be delayed or limited.

We are developing Contrave for large markets traditionally served by general and family practitioners and internists. Generalist physicians number in the several hundred thousand in the United States. Traditional pharmaceutical companies employ groups of sales representatives numbering in the thousands to call on this large generalist physician population. In order to effectively promote to these physician groups, we entered into a collaboration agreement with Takeda in September 2010 to further develop and commercialize Contrave in the United States, Canada and Mexico. In order to expand the market opportunity outside of these countries for Contrave we must either establish additional sales and marketing collaborations or co-promotion arrangements or expend significant resources to develop our own sales and marketing presence. We currently possess limited resources and may not be successful in developing our own sales and marketing presence. We may not be able to enter into additional collaboration or co-promotion arrangements on acceptable terms, if at all. If we are unable to enter into additional collaboration or co-promotion arrangements for Contrave outside the United States, Canada and Mexico and we must develop our own sales and marketing presence to address the large market of general and family practitioners and internists in these areas, we will require additional capital and our ability to market and sell our product and generate revenues from our product may be delayed or limited. We also face competition in our search for collaborators, co-promoters and sales force personnel. If our competitors are able to establish collaboration or co-promotion arrangements with pharmaceutical companies who have substantially greater resources than we have, our ability to successfully commercialize Contrave outside the United States, Canada and Mexico will be limited and as a result our competitors may be more successful in marketing and selling their products in these areas. Even if we do enter into additional collaboration or co-promotion arrangements with third parties, we will be reliant on such third parties to successfully develop and/or commercialize our product in these areas. These third parties may fail to develop or effectively commercialize our product because they cannot obtain the necessary regulatory approvals, decide to pursue a competitive potential product that may be developed outside of the collaboration or fail to devote the resources necessary to realize the full commercial potential of our product, especially in light of the resources being devoted by our competitors' collaboration and co-promotion partners. Any such failures would negatively affect our ability to generate revenues from sales of Contrave outside the United States, Canada and Mexico.

Our development and commercialization strategy depends upon access to findings of safety and effectiveness based on data not developed by us but which the FDA may reference in reviewing our U.S. marketing applications. In territories outside the United States, we must either negotiate access to these safety and effectiveness findings or develop them ourselves.

The Drug Price Competition and Patent Term Restoration Act of 1984, also known as the Hatch-Waxman Act, added Section 505(b)(2) to the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act. Section 505(b)(2) permits the filing of an NDA where at least some of the information required for approval comes from studies not conducted by or for the applicant and for which the applicant has not obtained a right of reference. This statutory provision expressly allows the FDA to rely, for purposes of approving an NDA, on findings of safety and effectiveness based on data not developed by the filer of the NDA. Under these guidelines, we were able to move directly into Phase II clinical trials for Contrave, because our NDA for Contrave relied, in part, upon the FDA's findings of safety and effectiveness for the previously-approved products that are incorporated into

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Contrave. Similar legislation for active substances with well-established medicinal use exists in the European Union under article 10a of European Directive 2001/83/EC, which allows for reference to scientific literature if active substances have been approved for at least ten years with recognized efficacy and an acceptable level of safety. There also are alleviations under article 10b of European Directive 2001/83/EC of the obligation to provide scientific references relating to individual active substances in combination products if such individual active substances have been previously authorized in the European Union, although not the obligation to provide results of new pre-clinical tests or new clinical trials relating to such combination products, which could provide an alternative pathway in Europe. In territories where data are not freely available, we may not have the ability to commercialize our products without negotiating rights from third parties to refer to their clinical data in our regulatory applications, which could require the expenditure of significant additional funds to generate our own data. We may be unable to obtain rights to the necessary clinical data and may be required to develop our own proprietary safety and manufacturing dossiers. In addition, even though we have taken advantage of Section 505(b)(2) for approval of Contrave, the FDA may also require us to perform additional studies or measurements to support changes from the previously-approved products incorporated into our product.

To the extent that a Section 505(b)(2) application relies on the FDA's finding of safety and effectiveness of a previously-approved drug, the applicant is required to make certifications to the FDA with respect to any patents listed for the approved product in the FDA's publication called "Approved Drug Products with Therapeutic Equivalence Evaluations," otherwise known as the "Orange Book." Specifically, the applicant must certify when the application is submitted that: (1) there is no relevant patent information listed; (2) the listed patent has expired; (3) the listed patent has not expired, but will expire on a particular date and approval is sought after patent expiration; or (4) the listed patent is invalid or will not be infringed by the manufacture, use, or sale of the new product. A certification that the new product will not infringe the already approved product's Orange Book listed patents or that such patents are invalid is called a paragraph IV certification. If the 505(b)(2) applicant has provided a paragraph IV certification to the FDA, the applicant must also send notice of the paragraph IV certification to the NDA holder and patent owner. We have made paragraph IV certifications that Contrave does not infringe the bupropion ER formulation patents listed in the Orange Book, and have sent the appropriate notice to the patent holder and NDA holder. We have obtained three years of Hatch-Waxman marketing exclusivity for Contrave from the date of approval by the FDA on September 10, 2014. Under this form of exclusivity, the FDA is precluded from approving a 505(b)(2) NDA or ANDA for the same drug product for the protected indication (for example, a product that incorporates the change or innovation represented by our product) for a period of three years, although the FDA may accept and commence review of such applications. For example, in April 2015, we and Takeda received notification of a Paragraph IV certification for certain patents for Contrave which are listed in the FDA's Orange Book. The certification resulted from the filing by Actavis Laboratories FL, Inc. of an ANDA challenging such patents for Contrave. Although we and Takeda plan to vigorously enforce Contrave intellectual property rights, there are uncertainties inherent in any litigation and we cannot predict the outcome. In accordance with the Hatch-Waxman Act, we and Takeda have 45 days after effective notice of the Paragraph IV certification to file suit against the ANDA filer in order to obtain an automatic stay of FDA approval of the ANDA until the earlier of (i) 30 months from Takeda's receipt of the notice or (ii) a District Court decision finding that the identified patents are invalid, unenforceable or not infringed. Moreover, the Hatch-Waxman marketing exclusivity might not prevent the FDA from approving a 505(b)(1) NDA that relies on its own clinical data. Further, if another company obtains approval for an identical product candidate for the same indication we are studying before we do, our approval could be blocked until the other company's Hatch-Waxman marketing exclusivity expires, unless we conduct additional studies in support of a 505(b)(1) NDA.

We may never receive approval or commercialize our products outside of the United States and the European Union.*

In order to market any products outside of the United States and the European Union, we must establish and comply with numerous and varying regulatory requirements of other countries regarding safety, efficacy and manufacturing. Approval procedures vary among countries and can involve additional product testing and additional administrative review periods. The time required to obtain approval in other countries might differ from that required to obtain FDA approval. The regulatory approval process in other countries may include all of the risks detailed above regarding FDA approval in the United States as well as other risks. Regulatory approval in one country does not ensure regulatory approval in another, but a failure or delay in obtaining regulatory approval in one country may have a negative effect on the regulatory process in others.

Failure to obtain regulatory approval for Contrave in other countries outside of the United States and the European Union, or any delay or setback in obtaining such approval could have the same adverse effects detailed above regarding FDA approval in the United States. As described above, such effects include the risks that Contrave may not be approved for all indications requested, which could limit the uses of Contrave and have an adverse effect on their commercial potential or require costly, post-marketing follow-up studies.

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We face potential product liability exposure, and, if successful claims are brought against us, we may incur substantial liability.

The use of our product in clinical trials and the sale of our product expose us to the risk of product liability claims. Product liability claims might be brought against us by consumers, health-care providers, pharmaceutical companies or others selling or otherwise coming into contact with our products. If we cannot successfully defend ourselves against product liability claims, we could incur substantial liabilities. In addition, regardless of merit or eventual outcome, product liability claims may result in:

- decreased demand for our product;
- impairment of our business reputation;
- withdrawal of clinical trial participants;
- costs of related litigation;
- distraction of management's attention from our primary business;
- substantial monetary awards to patients or other claimants;
- loss of revenues; and
- the inability to commercialize our product.

Although we have commercial product liability insurance, which includes coverage for our ongoing and future clinical trials we perform, our insurance coverage may not be sufficient to reimburse us for any expenses or losses we may suffer. Moreover, insurance coverage is becoming increasingly expensive, and, in the future, we may not be able to maintain insurance coverage at a reasonable cost or in sufficient amounts to protect us against losses due to liability. On occasion, large judgments have been awarded in class action lawsuits based on drugs that had unanticipated side effects. A successful product liability claim or series of claims brought against us could cause our stock price to decline and, if judgments exceed our insurance coverage, could decrease our cash and adversely affect our business.

Healthcare reform measures could hinder or prevent our product's commercial success.*

Among policy makers and payors in the United States and elsewhere, there is significant interest in promoting changes in healthcare systems to contain healthcare costs and improve quality. While reform proposals often involve expanding coverage to more individuals, healthcare reform may also involve increased government price controls, additional regulatory mandates and other measures designed to lower medical and pharmaceutical costs. Within the United States, the pharmaceutical industry has been a particular focus of both the U.S. Congress, as well as state governments.

In March 2010, the President signed into law one of the most significant health reform measures in decades. The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, as amended by the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act, or collectively the PPACA, substantially changes the way healthcare is financed by both governmental and private insurers, including several payment reforms that establish payments to hospitals and physicians based in part on quality measures, subjects biologic products to potential competition by lower-cost "biosimilars," and significantly impacts the pharmaceutical and medical device industries. The PPACA includes, among other things, the following measures:

- annual, non-deductible fees on any entity that manufactures or imports certain prescription branded drugs and biologics;
- increased Medicaid rebates owed by manufacturers under the Medicaid Drug Rebate Program for both branded and generic drugs and expanded rebates owed by manufacturers to include rebates on Medicaid managed care utilization;
- a Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute to oversee, identify priorities in and conduct comparative clinical research;
- requirements for manufacturers to discount drug prices to eligible patients in the coverage gap by 50% at the pharmacy level and for mail order services in order for their outpatient drugs to be covered under Medicare Part D;
- an increase in the number of entities eligible for discounts under the Public Health Service pharmaceutical pricing program; and
- a licensure framework for follow-on biologic products.

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The PPACA provisions on comparative clinical effectiveness research extend the initiatives of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, also known as the stimulus package, which included \$1.1 billion in funding to study the comparative effectiveness of healthcare treatments and strategies. This stimulus funding was designated for, among other things, conducting, supporting or synthesizing research that compares and evaluates the risks and benefits, clinical outcomes, effectiveness and appropriateness of products. The PPACA also appropriates additional funding to comparative clinical effectiveness research. Although Congress has indicated that this funding is intended to improve the quality of healthcare, it remains unclear how the research will impact current Medicare coverage and reimbursement or how new information will influence other third-party payor policies.

In addition, the PPACA provides for a prevention and health promotion outreach and education campaign to raise public awareness of health improvement, including obesity reduction and obesity-related services that are available to Medicaid enrollees. The PPACA also provides funding for projects designed to reduce childhood obesity.

Other legislative changes have also been proposed and adopted since the PPACA was enacted. On August 2, 2011, the Budget Control Act of 2011 was signed into law, which, among other things, created the Joint Select Committee on Deficit Reduction to recommend to Congress proposals in spending reductions. The Joint Select Committee did not achieve a targeted deficit reduction of at least \$1.2 trillion for the years 2013 through 2021, triggering the legislation's automatic reduction to several government programs. This includes reductions to Medicare payments to providers of 2% per fiscal year, which went into effect in April 2013 and will stay in effect through 2024, unless additional Congressional action is taken. On January 2, 2013, the American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012 was signed into law, which, among other things, further reduced Medicare payments to several providers, including hospitals.

In the European Union and some other international markets, governments or payors have adopted local policy to contain costs for provisions of health care at low cost to consumers and regulates pharmaceutical prices, patient eligibility or reimbursement levels to control costs for the government-sponsored health care system. Many countries have announced or implemented measures to reduce health care costs to constrain their overall level of government expenditures. These measures vary by country and may include, among other things, patient access restrictions, suspensions on price increases, prospective and possibly retroactive price reductions and other recoupments and increased mandatory discounts or rebates, recoveries of past price increases, and greater importation of drugs from lower-cost countries to higher-cost countries. If our product is approved in these markets, these measures may negatively impact our revenues. In addition, certain countries set prices by reference to the prices in other countries where approved products are marketed. Thus, our inability to secure adequate prices for our products, if approved, in a particular country may not only limit the marketing of these products within that country, but may also adversely affect our ability to obtain acceptable prices in other markets. This may create the opportunity for third party cross border trade or influence our decision to sell or not to sell a product, if approved, thus adversely affecting our revenues.

We cannot predict what effect the PPACA or other healthcare reform or cost control initiatives that may be adopted in the future will have on our business. The continuing efforts of the government, insurance companies, managed care organizations and other payors of health care services to contain or reduce costs of health care may adversely affect:

- our and our collaborative partner's ability to set a price we believe is fair for our approved product;
- our or our collaborative partner's ability to generate revenues and achieve or maintain profitability; and
- the availability of capital.

We may not be able to manage our business effectively if we are unable to attract and retain key personnel. *

We may not be able to attract or retain qualified management and scientific and clinical personnel in the future due to the intense competition for qualified personnel among biotechnology, pharmaceutical and other businesses, particularly in the San Diego, California area. Our retention efforts may be particularly challenging in light of our historical regulatory interactions with our Contrave NDA and our workforce reductions completed in February and June 2011. Our industry has experienced a high rate of turnover of management personnel in recent years. As our business continues to grow, and we transition from primarily a drug development company to a commercial product organization, we expect to experience changes in our executive team, including potential departures and the addition of new executives with commercialization expertise of other necessary skill sets. We may also experience some departures from our current executive team as individuals transition to new experiences and/or retirement. If we are not able to attract, retain and motivate necessary personnel to accomplish our business objectives, we may experience constraints that will significantly impede the successful development and commercialization of our product, our ability to raise additional capital and our ability to implement our overall business strategy.

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We are highly dependent on the development, regulatory, commercial and financial expertise of our senior management, particularly Michael A. Narachi, our President and Chief Executive Officer. Although we have employment agreements with each of our executive officers, these agreements are terminable at will at any time with or without notice and, therefore, we may not be able to retain their services as expected. If we lose any members of our senior management team, including Mr. Narachi, we may not be able to find suitable replacements, and our business may be harmed as a result. Other than our outgoing Chief Commercial Officer, Mark Booth, we are not aware of any key personnel who has plans to retire or leave our company in the immediate future. In addition to the competition for personnel, the San Diego area in particular is characterized by a high cost of living. As such, we could have difficulty attracting experienced personnel to our company and may be required to expend significant financial resources in our employee recruitment and retention efforts.

In addition, we have scientific and clinical advisors who assist us in formulating our product development and clinical and regulatory strategies. These advisors are not our employees and may have commitments to, or consulting or advisory contracts with, other entities that may limit their availability to us, or may have arrangements with other companies to assist in the development of products that may compete with ours.

If we fail to comply with healthcare regulations, we could face substantial penalties and our business, operations and financial condition could be adversely affected.

As a manufacturer of pharmaceuticals, even though we do not and will not control referrals of healthcare services or bill directly to Medicare, Medicaid or other third-party payors, certain federal and state healthcare laws and regulations pertaining to fraud and abuse and patients' rights are and will be applicable to our business. We could be subject to healthcare fraud and abuse and patient privacy regulation by both the federal government and the states in which we conduct our business, without limitation. The laws that may affect our ability to operate include:

- the federal healthcare program Anti-Kickback Statute (as amended by the PPACA, which modified the intent requirement of the Anti-Kickback Statute so that a person or entity no longer needs to have actual knowledge of the statute or specific intent to violate it to have committed a violation), which prohibits, among other things, persons from soliciting, receiving or providing remuneration, directly or indirectly, to induce either the referral of an individual, for an item or service or the purchasing or ordering of a good or service, for which payment may be made under federal healthcare programs such as the Medicare and Medicaid programs;
- federal false claims laws which prohibit, among other things, individuals or entities from knowingly presenting, or causing to be presented, claims for payment from Medicare, Medicaid, or other third-party payors that are false or fraudulent, and which may apply to entities like us which promote pharmaceutical products and provide coding and billing advice to customers, and under the PPACA, the government may assert that a claim including items or services resulting from a violation of the federal Anti-Kickback Statute constitutes a false or fraudulent claim for purposes of the federal false claims laws;
- the federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, or HIPAA, which prohibits executing a scheme to defraud any healthcare benefit program or making false statements relating to healthcare matters and which also imposes certain requirements relating to the privacy, security and transmission of individually identifiable health information;
- the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, which among other things, strictly regulates drug product marketing, prohibits manufacturers from marketing drug products for off-label use and regulates the distribution of drug samples; and
- state law equivalents of each of the above federal laws, such as anti-kickback and false claims laws which may apply to items or services reimbursed by any third-party payor, including commercial insurers, and state laws governing the privacy and security of health information in certain circumstances, many of which differ from each other in significant ways and often are not preempted by HIPAA, thus complicating compliance efforts.

Additionally, the compliance environment is changing, with more states mandating implementation of compliance programs, compliance with industry ethics codes, and spending limits, and other states requiring reporting to state governments

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of gifts, compensation, and other remuneration to physicians. The PPACA also imposes new reporting and disclosure requirements on device and drug manufacturers for any “transfer of value” made or distributed to prescribers and other healthcare providers. Such information is now publicly available in a searchable format. In addition, device and drug manufacturers are also required to report and disclose any investment interests held by physicians and their immediate family members during the preceding calendar year. Manufacturers were required to begin collecting requisite information on August 1, 2013, with the first reports due in 2014. Failure to submit requisite information may result in civil monetary penalties of up to an aggregate of \$150,000 per year (and up to an aggregate of \$1 million per year for “knowing failures”), for all payments, transfers of value or ownership or investment interests not reported in an annual submission. Finally, under the PPACA, effective April 1, 2012, pharmaceutical manufacturers and distributors must provide the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services with an annual report on the drug samples they provide to physicians. The shifting regulatory environment, along with the requirement to comply with multiple jurisdictions with different compliance and/or reporting requirements, increases the possibility that a pharmaceutical company may run afoul of one or more laws.

If our operations are found to be in violation of any of the laws described above or any other governmental regulations that apply to us, we may be subject to penalties, including civil and criminal penalties, damages, fines and the curtailment or restructuring of our operations. Any penalties, damages, fines, exclusion from governmental health care programs, curtailment or restructuring of our operations could adversely affect our ability to operate our business and our financial results. Although compliance programs can mitigate the risk of investigation and prosecution for violations of these laws, the risks cannot be entirely eliminated. Any action against us for violation of these laws, even if we successfully defend against it, could cause us to incur significant legal expenses and divert our management’s attention from the operation of our business. Moreover, achieving and sustaining compliance with applicable federal and state privacy, security and fraud laws may prove costly.

Our business involves the use of hazardous materials and we and our third-party manufacturers must comply with environmental laws and regulations, which can be expensive and restrict how we do business.

Our third-party manufacturers’ activities involve the controlled storage, use and disposal of hazardous materials owned by us, including the components of our product and other hazardous compounds. We and our manufacturers are subject to federal, state and local laws and regulations governing the use, manufacture, storage, handling and disposal of these hazardous materials. Although we believe that the safety procedures utilized by our third-party manufacturers for handling and disposing of these materials comply with the standards prescribed by these laws and regulations, we cannot eliminate the risk of accidental contamination or injury from these materials. In the event of an accident, state or federal authorities may curtail the use of these materials and interrupt our business operations. We do not currently maintain hazardous materials insurance coverage. If we are subject to any liability as a result of our third-party manufacturers’ activities involving hazardous materials, our business and financial condition may be adversely affected.

Our business and operations would suffer in the event of system failures.

Despite the implementation of security measures, our internal computer systems and those of our CROs and other contractors and consultants are vulnerable to damage from computer viruses, unauthorized access, natural disasters, terrorism, war and telecommunication and electrical failures. While we have not experienced any such system failure, accident or security breach to date, if such an event were to occur and cause interruptions in our operations, it could result in a material disruption of our drug development programs. For example, the loss of clinical trial data from completed or ongoing clinical trials for, could result in delays in our regulatory efforts and significantly increase our costs to recover or reproduce the data. To the extent that any disruption or security breach were to result in a loss of or damage to our data or applications, or inappropriate disclosure of confidential or proprietary information, we could incur liability and the further development of our product could be delayed.

Risks Related to Intellectual Property

Our market opportunity for Contrave may be limited by the relatively small number of issued U.S. patents and foreign patents that we own or in-license. In addition, although we have additional U.S. and international patent applications pending which seek further protection of our product, these applications may not issue on a timely basis or at all.*

Contrave is currently protected by U.S. patent number 7,375,111, which we refer to as the Weber/Cowley composition patent, and U.S. patent number 7,462,626, which we refer to as the Weber/Cowley methods patent. Provided maintenance fees are paid, the Weber/Cowley composition patent is expected to expire in March 2025, and the Weber/Cowley methods patent is expected to expire in July 2024. Collectively, we refer to the Weber/Cowley composition patent and the Weber/Cowley methods patent as the Weber/Cowley patents. We own the Weber/Cowley patents, but they are subject to our license agreement with Oregon Health & Science University, or OHSU. The Weber/Cowley patents cover the current composition of Contrave and methods of administering it to treat obesity. We and/or our licensors have filed a number of international counterparts to the Weber/Cowley patents in foreign countries. A European counterpart application to the Weber/Cowley patent has issued in the European Patent Office, or EPO, and provides protection for Contrave in the various EPO countries in which the patent has

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been registered. Several international counterparts to the Weber/Cowley patents have also issued in other foreign jurisdictions. However, we cannot provide assurance that other pending international counterparts will issue on a timely basis or at all. There is also no assurance that the currently pending claims in those foreign countries will not be rejected, that any such rejections and any future rejections will ultimately be overcome, nor that any claims that may issue will be sufficiently broad to protect Contrave in those foreign countries. Furthermore, we cannot be certain that the scope of any issued foreign patent will be consistent with the currently pending claims, as there is a significant likelihood that the scope of the currently pending claims will be modified. If a competitor is willing to challenge the scope or validity of the Weber/Cowley patents, the competitor could file an NDA seeking approval for three years after the date we obtained approval from the FDA of the NDA for Contrave.

We have also filed patent applications, directed to various treatment and formulation aspects of Contrave, in the United States and certain foreign countries under the Patent Cooperation Treaty, or PCT. Use of our proprietary tri-layer Contrave tablet for weight loss is protected in the United States by U.S. patent numbers 8,088,786 and 8,318,788, which are expected to expire in February 2029 and November 2027, respectively. Corresponding patents have issued in several foreign countries. In addition, the dose escalation schedule of Contrave is protected by U.S. patent 8,722,085, which is expected to expire in November 2027. U.S. patent number 8,815,889, directed to methods of treating insulin resistance using Contrave, including in obese patients, issued in August 2014, and is expected to expire in July 2024. Use of our proprietary sustained-release formulation of Contrave for weight loss is protected by U.S. patent number 8,916,195, which is expected to expire in February 2030. U.S. patent number 8,969,371, which issued in March 2015 and is expected to expire in July 2034, protects the use of Contrave for treating overweight or obesity in select patient populations that are at increased risk of a major adverse cardiovascular event. The PCT is an international treaty providing a unified procedure under which the initial filing of a single patent application can provide an effective filing date in each participating country in which appropriate steps are subsequently taken. Such steps have been taken in various foreign countries, including Europe and Japan, with respect to a number of our PCT filings. Thus, we now have patent applications pending in those foreign countries, along with our previous filings in the United States and certain non-PCT countries. These filings seek to provide further protection for Contrave in the United States and overseas; however, we cannot provide assurance that the claims in the other patent applications will issue in their current form or at all.

We may face additional competition outside of the United States as a result of a lack of patent enforcement in foreign countries and off-label use of other dosage forms of the generic components in our product.

While we have filed patent applications in many countries outside the United States, and have obtained some patent coverage for Contrave in certain foreign countries, we do not currently have widespread patent protection for Contrave outside the United States and have no protection in many foreign jurisdictions. Even if international patent applications ultimately issue or receive approval, it is likely that the scope of protection provided by such patents will be different from, and possibly less than, the scope provided by our corresponding U.S. patents. The success of our international market opportunity is dependent upon the enforcement of patent rights in various other countries. A number of countries in which we have filed or intend to file patent applications have a history of weak enforcement and/or compulsory licensing of intellectual property rights. Even if we have patents issued in these jurisdictions, there can be no assurance that our patent rights will be sufficient to prevent generic competition or unauthorized use. We and our collaborative partner may face competition from the off-label use of other dosage forms of the generic components in our product. In addition, others may attempt to commercialize our product combination in the countries of the European Union, Canada, Mexico, Japan or other markets, in some of which, we do not have patent protection for our product. Due to the lack of patent protection for these combinations in some territories outside the United States and the potential for correspondingly lower prices for the drugs in those markets, it is possible that patients will seek to acquire the generic IR component of our product (naltrexone IR) in those other territories. The off-label use of the generic IR component in the United States or the importation of the generic IR component from foreign markets could adversely affect the commercial potential for our product and adversely affect our overall business and financial results.

We have in-licensed all or a portion of the rights to Contrave from third parties. If we default on any of our material obligations under those licenses, we could lose rights to our product.

We have in-licensed and otherwise contracted for rights to our product, and we may enter into similar licenses in the future to supplement our product pipeline. Under the relevant agreements, we are subject to commercialization, development, sublicensing, royalty, insurance and other obligations. If we or our collaborative partner fail to comply with any of these requirements, or otherwise breach these license agreements, the licensor may have the right to terminate the license in whole or to terminate the exclusive nature of the license. Loss of any of these licenses or the exclusive rights provided therein could harm our financial condition and operating results.

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Restrictions on our patent rights relating to Contrave may limit our and Takeda's ability to prevent third parties from competing against us.

Our success will depend on our and Takeda's ability to obtain and maintain patent protection for Contrave, preserve our trade secrets, prevent third parties from infringing upon our proprietary rights and operate without infringing upon the proprietary rights of others. Composition of matter patents on APIs are generally considered to be the strongest form of intellectual property protection for pharmaceutical products as they apply without regard to any method of use. Entirely new individual chemical compounds, often referred to as new chemical entities, are typically entitled to composition of matter coverage. Current law also allows novel and unobvious combinations of old compounds to receive composition of matter coverage for the combination. However, we cannot be certain that the current law will remain the same, or that our product will be considered novel and unobvious by the PTO and courts.

In addition to composition of matter patents and patent applications, we also have issued and filed method of use patents and patent applications. This type of patent protects the use of Contrave only for the specified method. However, this type of patent does not prevent a competitor from making and marketing a product that is identical to our product for an indication that is outside the scope of the patented method. Moreover, even if these competitors do not actively promote their product for our targeted indication, physicians may prescribe these products "off-label." Although off-label prescriptions may infringe or contribute to the infringement of method of use patents, the practice is common and such infringement is difficult to prevent or prosecute.

Although we believe we and our licensors have conducted appropriate prior art searches relating to our key patents and patent applications, there is no assurance that all of the potentially relevant prior art has been found. Moreover, because the constituents of our combination product have been on the market as separate monotherapeutic products for many years, it is possible that these monotherapies have previously been used off-label in such a manner that such prior usage would affect the validity of our method of use patents.

Patent applications in the United States and most other countries are confidential for a period of time until they are published, and publication of discoveries in scientific or patent literature typically lags actual discoveries by several months or more. As a result, we cannot be certain that we and the inventors of the issued patents and applications that we in-licensed were the first to conceive inventions covered by the patents and pending patent applications or that we and those inventors were the first to file patent applications for such inventions.

We and Takeda also rely upon unpatented trade secrets, unpatented know-how and continuing technological innovation to develop and maintain our competitive position, which we seek to protect, in part, by confidentiality agreements with our employees and our collaborators and consultants, some of whom assist with the development of other obesity drugs. We and Takeda also have agreements with our employees and selected consultants that obligate them to assign their inventions to us. It is possible that technology relevant to our business will be independently developed by a person that is not a party to such an agreement. Furthermore, if the employees and consultants that are parties to these agreements breach or violate the terms of these agreements, we may not have adequate remedies for any such breach or violation, and we could lose our trade secrets through such breaches or violations. Further, our trade secrets could otherwise become known or be independently discovered by our competitors.

If we or Takeda are sued for infringing intellectual property rights of third parties, it will be costly and time consuming, and an unfavorable outcome in that litigation would have a material adverse effect on our business.

Our commercial success depends upon our and our collaborative partner's ability to develop, manufacture, market and sell our product and use our proprietary technologies without infringing the proprietary rights of third parties. Numerous U.S. and foreign issued patents and pending patent applications, which are owned by third parties, exist in the fields in which we and our collaborative partner are developing products. As the biotechnology and pharmaceutical industries expand and more patents are issued, the risk increases that our product and/or proprietary technologies may give rise to claims of infringement of the patent rights of others. There may be issued patents of third parties of which we are currently unaware that may be infringed by our product or proprietary technologies. Because patent applications can take many years to issue, there may be currently pending applications, unknown to us or Takeda, which may later result in issued patents that Contrave or proprietary technologies may infringe.

We may be exposed to, or threatened with, future litigation by third parties having patent or other intellectual property rights alleging that our product and/or proprietary technologies infringe their intellectual property rights. If one of these patents is found to cover Contrave, proprietary technologies or their uses, we or Takeda could be enjoined by a court and required to pay damages and could be unable to commercialize our product or use our proprietary technologies unless we or they obtained a license to the patent. A license may not be available to us or Takeda on acceptable terms, if at all. In addition, during litigation, the patent holder could obtain a preliminary injunction or other equitable relief which could prohibit us or our collaborative partner from making, using or selling our products, technologies or methods pending a trial on the merits, which could be years away.

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There is a substantial amount of litigation involving patent and other intellectual property rights in the biotechnology and pharmaceutical industries generally. If a third party claims that we or Takeda infringe its intellectual property rights, we may face a number of issues, including, but not limited to:

- infringement and other intellectual property claims which, regardless of merit, may be expensive and time-consuming to litigate and may divert our management's attention from our core business;
- substantial damages for infringement, which we may have to pay if a court decides that the product at issue infringes on or violates the third party's rights, and if the court finds that the infringement was willful, we could be ordered to pay treble damages and the patent owner's attorneys' fees;
- a court prohibiting us from selling or licensing the product unless the third party licenses its product rights to us, which it is not required to do;
- if a license is available from a third party, we may have to pay substantial royalties and fees and/or grant cross-licenses to intellectual property rights for our products; and
- redesigning our product or processes so they do not infringe, which may not be possible or may require substantial monetary expenditures and time.

We will be obtaining our bupropion ER, naltrexone ER, our finished Contrave tablets combining these components, and the packaging for these tablets from third-party manufacturers. Each aspect of product design, formulation, manufacturing, packaging, and use has the potential to implicate third-party patent rights. We have taken various measures to reduce the potential for infringement. However, we could be exposed to potential patent infringement liability from other third parties who hold patents on various formulations of bupropion and naltrexone.

No assurance can be given that patents do not exist, have not been filed, or could not be filed or issued, which contain claims covering these or other aspects of our products, technology or methods, as implemented by us or by third-party manufacturers with whom we contract. Because of the large number of patents issued and patent applications filed in our field, we believe there is a risk that third parties may allege they have patent rights encompassing our products, technology or methods. Such third-party patent rights, if relevant, could prevent us or Takeda from adopting or marketing a particular formulation or product, or could expose us to patent infringement liability.

Obtaining and maintaining our patent protection depends on compliance with various procedural, document submission, fee payment and other requirements imposed by governmental patent agencies, and our patent protection could be reduced or eliminated for non-compliance with these requirements.

Periodic maintenance fees on the Weber/Cowley patents covering Contrave, as well as our other issued patents, are due to be paid to the PTO in several stages over the lifetimes of the patents. We have systems in place to remind us to pay these fees, and we employ an outside firm, Computer Patent Annuities, to pay annuity fees due to foreign patent agencies on our issued and pending foreign patent applications. The PTO and various foreign governmental patent agencies require compliance with a number of procedural, documentary, fee payment and other similar provisions during the patent application process. We employ reputable law firms and other professionals to help us comply, and in many cases, an inadvertent lapse can be cured by payment of a late fee or by other means in accordance with the applicable rules. However, there are situations in which noncompliance can result in abandonment or lapse of the patent or patent application, resulting in partial or complete loss of patent rights in the relevant jurisdiction. In such an event, our competitors might be able to enter the market and this circumstance would have a material adverse effect on our business.

We have not yet registered our trademarks in all of our potential markets, and failure to secure those registrations could adversely affect our business.*

We have received U.S. trademark registration number 3396021 for our corporate logo for use in connection with pharmaceutical preparations and substances for the treatment of obesity, inducement of weight loss and prevention of weight gain. We have obtained trademark registrations in Canada, the European Union, and Japan for the same mark. In addition, we have received U.S. trademark registration number 3396807 for our corporate name OREXIGEN for use in connection with pharmaceutical preparations for the treatment of disorders of the central nervous system, or CNS, printed instructional, educational and teaching materials in the field of treatment and management of disorders of the CNS, and providing medical

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information in the field of disorders of the CNS. We have obtained trademark registrations in Canada, the European Union, Japan and Russia for the same mark and have a pending application in Brazil. We have obtained foreign trademark registrations for the corporate name Orexigen Therapeutics, Inc. in the European Union and Japan. We have received U.S. trademark registration number 3393576 for the mark CONTRAVE for use in connection with pharmaceutical preparations for use in the treatment of obesity and inducing weight loss. We have also obtained foreign trademark registrations for the mark CONTRAVE in Canada, Europe, Russia and Japan and have a pending application in Brazil, Canada, Korea and Mexico. In addition, applications for a Contrave logo for use in connection with pharmaceutical preparations for use in the treatment of obesity and inducing weight loss, certain printed materials and medical information services are pending in the U.S. and Canada. The Contrave logo is registered in Europe and Japan. An intent to use application for the mark MYSIMBA has been allowed in the United States in connection with pharmaceutical preparations, printed materials, and medical information services. We have obtained trademark registrations in the European Union, Norway, and Switzerland for the same mark. However, no assurance can be given that our allowed trademark applications will actually become registered, or that our registered trademarks can be maintained or enforced. During trademark registration proceedings in the various countries, we have received and expect to receive rejections. Although we are given an opportunity to respond to those rejections, there can be no assurance that the rejections can be successfully overcome. In addition, in the PTO and in many foreign jurisdictions, third parties are given an opportunity to oppose pending trademark applications and to cancel registered trademarks. No assurance can be given that opposition or cancellation proceedings will not be filed against our trademarks, nor can there be any assurance that our trademarks would survive such proceedings.

We may be subject to claims that our employees have wrongfully used or disclosed alleged trade secrets of their former employers.

As is common in the biotechnology and pharmaceutical industries, we employ individuals who were previously employed at other biotechnology or pharmaceutical companies, including our competitors or potential competitors. Although no claims against us are currently pending, we may be subject to claims that these employees or we have inadvertently or otherwise used or disclosed trade secrets or other proprietary information of their former employers. Litigation may be necessary to defend against these claims. Even if we are successful in defending against these claims, litigation could result in substantial costs and be a distraction to management.

Risks Related to Our Finances and Capital Requirements

We have incurred significant operating losses since our inception and anticipate that we will incur continued losses for the foreseeable future.*

We have focused primarily on developing our first approved product, Contrave. We have financed our operations almost exclusively through the sale of our preferred and common stock and debt and have incurred losses in each year since our inception in September 2002. As of March 31, 2015, we had an accumulated deficit of approximately \$569.2 million. These losses, combined with expected future losses, have had and will continue to have an adverse effect on our stockholders' equity and working capital. We expect to continue to incur significant and increasing operating losses for the foreseeable future and such losses have had, and will continue to have, an adverse effect on our stockholders' equity. Because of the numerous risks and uncertainties associated with developing and commercializing pharmaceutical products, we are unable to predict the extent of any future losses or when we will become profitable, if at all.

We have not generated any significant revenue from our product and may never be profitable.*

Our ability to become profitable depends upon our ability to generate revenue. With the exception of the amortization of the upfront payment of \$50.0 million from Takeda upon execution of the collaboration agreement and regulatory and development milestones totaling \$100.0 million from Takeda, we have not generated any significant revenue, and we do not know when, or if, we will generate any significant revenue. Takeda commercially launched Contrave in October 2014. Our ability to generate revenue depends on a number of factors, including, but not limited to, Takeda's ability to effectively commercialize and successfully complete future clinical trials for Contrave, and our ability to:

- successfully manage our collaborative relationship with Takeda to effectively launch, market and sell Contrave in the United States, Canada and Mexico;
- maintain regulatory approval of Mysimba;
- manufacture commercial quantities of Contrave at acceptable cost levels; and
- identify and enter into one or more additional strategic collaborations to effectively market and sell Contrave in the European Union and elsewhere outside the United States, Canada and Mexico, if approved.

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We anticipate incurring significant costs associated with the continued development and commercialization of our approved product, Contrave. We will not achieve profitability until well after the commercial launch of Contrave, if ever. If we or Takeda are unable to generate product revenues, we will not become sustainably profitable and may be unable to continue operations without continued funding.

We may need additional funds and/or need to enter into additional collaborative or other agreements in order to fund post-marketing studies for Contrave or clinical trials outside the United States for Contrave, and commercialize Contrave outside the United States, Canada and Mexico, and we may be unable to raise capital when needed or enter into such an agreement, which would force us to delay, reduce or eliminate development and commercialization activities required for Contrave, and our commercialization efforts for Contrave outside such countries.

Developing products for the obesity market, conducting clinical trials, establishing outsourced manufacturing relationships and successfully manufacturing and marketing drugs that we may develop is expensive. We believe that our existing cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments will be sufficient to meet our projected operating requirements through at least the next 12 months. However, we have based these estimates on assumptions that may prove to be wrong, and we could spend our available financial resources much faster than we currently expect. Further, we will need additional capital to:

- fund our operations and to conduct post-marketing requirements for Contrave;
- commercialize Contrave outside the United States, Canada and Mexico;
- co-promote Contrave in the United States; and
- qualify and outsource the commercial-scale of our products under cGMP.

The amount and timing of our future funding requirements will depend on many factors, including, but not limited to:

- the successful commercialization of Contrave.
- the rate of progress and cost of clinical activity, including the new CVOT for Contrave, and the scope and cost of the additional post-marketing requirements for Contrave, including expenses to support the trials and milestone payments that may become payable;
- the terms and timing of any collaborative, licensing, co-promotion or other arrangements that we may establish with respect to Contrave;
- the costs of establishing sales, marketing and distribution capabilities in order to commercialize Contrave should we elect to do so;
- the costs involved in enforcing or defending patent claims or other intellectual property rights;
- the costs and timing of additional regulatory approvals for Contrave; and
- the extent to which we in-license, acquire or invest in other indications, products, technologies and businesses.

Future capital requirements will also depend on the extent to which we acquire or invest in additional complementary businesses, products and technologies. We currently have no commitments or agreements relating to any of these types of transactions.

Until we can generate a sufficient amount of product revenue and achieve profitability, we expect to finance future cash needs through public or private equity offerings, milestone payments, debt, receivables or royalty financings, or corporate collaboration and licensing arrangements, as well as through interest income earned on cash and investment balances. We cannot be certain that additional funding will be available on acceptable terms, or at all. If adequate funds are not available, we may be required to delay, reduce the scope of or eliminate one or more of our development programs or our commercialization efforts.

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Our quarterly operating results may fluctuate significantly.

We expect our operating results to be subject to quarterly fluctuations. Our net loss and other operating results may be affected by numerous factors, including:

- the level of underlying demand for Contrave, wholesalers' buying patterns with respect to Contrave and Takeda's ability to successfully market Contrave under our collaboration agreement;
- variations in the level of expenses related to our product or future development programs;
- regulatory developments affecting our product or those of our competitors;
- the timing of future payments, if any, we may receive under our collaboration agreement with Takeda;
- our execution of any additional collaborative, licensing or similar arrangements, and the timing of payments we may make or receive under these arrangements;
- addition or termination of clinical trials or funding support; and
- any intellectual property infringement lawsuit in which we may become involved.

If our quarterly operating results fall below the expectations of investors or securities analysts, the price of our common stock could decline substantially. Furthermore, any quarterly fluctuations in our operating results may, in turn, cause the price of our stock to fluctuate substantially. We believe that quarterly comparisons of our financial results are not necessarily meaningful and should not be relied upon as an indication of our future performance.

Raising additional funds by issuing securities may cause dilution to existing stockholders and raising funds through lending and licensing arrangements may restrict our operations or require us to relinquish proprietary rights.

To the extent that we raise additional capital by issuing equity securities, our existing stockholders' ownership will be diluted. Debt, receivables and royalty financings typically contain covenants that restrict operating activities and may impair our ability to in-license potential products or product candidates. Debt, receivables and royalty financings may also be coupled with an equity component, such as warrants to purchase stock, which could also result in dilution of our existing stockholders' ownership.

If we raise additional funds through collaboration, licensing or other similar arrangements, it may be necessary to relinquish potentially valuable rights to our current product candidates, potential products or proprietary technologies, or grant licenses on terms that are not favorable to us. If adequate funds are not available, our ability to achieve profitability or to respond to competitive pressures would be significantly limited and we may be required to delay, significantly curtail or eliminate the development of our product.

We sold \$115 million aggregate principal amount of 2.75% Convertible Senior Notes in December 2013, which may impact our financial results, result in the dilution of existing stockholders, and restrict our ability to take advantage of future opportunities.

In December of 2013, we sold \$115 million aggregate principal amount of 2.75% Convertible Senior Notes due 2020, or the 2020 Notes. We will be required to pay interest on the 2020 Notes until they come due, are called by us, or are converted, and the payment of that interest will reduce our net income. The sale of the 2020 Notes may also affect our earnings per share figures, as accounting requirements require that we include in our calculation of earnings per share the number of shares of our common stock into which the 2020 Notes are convertible. On June 27, 2014, our stockholders approved a flexible conversion option that allows us to pay the conversion right on these 2020 Notes in cash and/or shares. The flexible conversion right may allow us to exclude from the earnings per share calculation the shares of our common stock into which the 2020 Notes are convertible. However, we cannot guarantee that the flexible conversion option would result in the accounting treatment described above. The 2020 Notes may be converted, under the conditions and at the premium specified in those 2020 Notes, into shares of our common stock and/or into the cash equivalent of shares of our common stock. If converted into shares, the 2020 Notes will result in the dilution of our shareholders. If converted into cash, the 2020 Notes may require the payment of significant additional amounts above the initial principal. The payment of the interest payments, the repayment of the principal, and the potential payment of the conversion premium will require the use of a substantial amount of our cash, and if such cash is not available, we may be required to sell other assets or enter into alternate financing arrangements at terms that may or may

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not be desirable. The existence of the 2020 Notes and the obligations we incurred by issuing them may restrict our ability to take advantage of certain future opportunities, such as engaging in future debt or equity financing activities, which may reduce or impair our ability to acquire new businesses or invest in our existing businesses.

We incur significant costs as a result of operating as a public company, and our management is required to devote substantial time to public company compliance initiatives.

As a public company, we incur significant legal, accounting and other expenses. In addition, the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, or the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, as well as rules subsequently implemented by the Securities and Exchange Commission, or the SEC, and the Nasdaq Stock Market, Inc., or Nasdaq, have imposed various requirements on public companies, including establishment and maintenance of effective disclosure and financial controls and changes in corporate governance practices. Our management and other personnel devote a substantial amount of time to these compliance initiatives. Moreover, these rules and regulations result in increased legal and financial compliance costs and will make some activities more time-consuming and costly.

The Sarbanes-Oxley Act requires, among other things, that we maintain effective internal controls for financial reporting and disclosure. In particular, we are required to perform system and process evaluation and testing of our internal controls over financial reporting to allow management and our independent registered public accounting firm to report on the effectiveness of our internal controls over financial reporting, as required by Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act. Our testing, or the subsequent testing by our independent registered public accounting firm, may reveal deficiencies in our internal controls over financial reporting that are deemed to be material weaknesses. We have incurred and continue to expect to incur significant expense and devote substantial management effort toward ensuring compliance with Section 404. We currently do not have an internal audit function, and we may need to hire additional accounting and financial staff with appropriate experience and technical accounting knowledge. Moreover, if we do not comply with the requirements of Section 404, or if we or our independent registered public accounting firm identifies deficiencies in our internal controls that are deemed to be material weaknesses, the market price of our stock could decline and we could be subject to sanctions or investigations by Nasdaq, the SEC or other regulatory authorities, which would entail expenditure of additional financial and management resources.

Our results of operations and liquidity needs could be materially negatively affected by market fluctuations and economic downturn.

Our results of operations could be materially negatively affected by economic conditions generally, both in the U.S. and elsewhere around the world. Domestic and international equity markets have experienced and may continue to experience heightened volatility and turmoil based on domestic and international economic conditions and concerns. In the event these economic conditions and concerns continue and the markets continue to remain volatile, our results of operations could be adversely affected by those factors in many ways, including making it more difficult for us to raise funds if necessary, and our stock price may further decline. In addition, we maintain significant amounts of cash and cash equivalents at one or more financial institutions that are not federally insured. If economic instability continues, we cannot provide assurance that we will not experience losses on these investments.

We may lose the ability to use our net operating loss carryforwards, which could prevent or delay us from offsetting future taxable income.

We have incurred substantial losses during our history and do not expect to become profitable in 2015 and may never achieve profitability. To the extent that we continue to generate taxable losses, unused losses will carry forward to offset future taxable income, if any, until such unused losses expire. Our federal and state net operating loss carryforwards begin to expire in 2024 and 2015, respectively. Additionally, the future utilization of our net operating loss carryforwards and credits to offset future taxable income is subject to annual limitations, pursuant to Sections 382 and 383 of the Internal Revenue Code, as a result of ownership changes that have occurred in prior years or may occur in the future, which could defer our ability to utilize or prevent us from fully utilizing our net operating loss carryforwards, or NOLs, and credits, which could have an adverse effect on our results of operations. We completed an ownership change analysis in accordance with Section 382 from inception through December 31, 2014. As a result of the study, it was determined that we experienced several ownership changes during this period with the last one occurring in December 2014. The analysis to determine the limitation of NOLs and federal credits as a result of the ownership changes has not been finalized. When this analysis is finalized, we will reassess the amount of net operating losses and federal credits subject to limitation under Section 382.

Risks Relating to Securities Markets and Investment in Our Stock

*The market price of our common stock has fluctuated and is likely to continue to fluctuate, which could reduce the market price of our common stock.**

The market prices for securities of biotechnology and pharmaceutical companies have historically been highly volatile, and the market has from time to time experienced significant price and volume fluctuations that are unrelated to the operating performance of particular companies. Over the last several years, the overall capital markets have been highly volatile. Since the commencement of trading in connection with our initial public offering, or IPO, the publicly traded shares of our common stock have themselves experienced significant price and volume fluctuations. During the quarter ended March 31, 2015, the price per share for our common stock on the Nasdaq Global Market has ranged from a low sale price of \$4.90 to a high sale price of \$9.37. This market volatility is likely to continue and could reduce the market price of our common stock, regardless of our operating performance. In addition, the trading price of our common stock could change significantly over short periods of time in response to many factors, including:

- announcements regarding the commercial sales for Contrave;
- FDA or international regulatory actions, including failure to receive regulatory approval outside the United States for Contrave;
- announcements regarding our clinical trials, including the Ignite Study, the Light Study and the post-marketing required clinical trials, including the new CVOT, for Contrave;
- announcements regarding Vivus', Arena's and Eisai's approved obesity products, including sales, safety and efficacy results, and their respective regulatory submissions and/or the results of their respective clinical trials;
- announcements regarding our other competitors' regulatory submissions and/or the results of their clinical trials;
- announcements regarding our collaborative relationship with Takeda;
- announcements regarding bupropion or naltrexone;
- announcements regarding manufacturing or supply developments for Contrave;
- failure of any of our product to achieve commercial success;
- developments concerning current or future strategic collaborations;
- announcements of the introduction of new products by us or our competitors;
- market conditions in the pharmaceutical and biotechnology sectors;
- announcements concerning product development results or intellectual property rights of others;
- litigation or public concern about the safety of our products;
- actual and anticipated fluctuations in our quarterly operating results;
- deviations in our operating results from the estimates of securities analysts or other analyst comments;
- additions or departures of key personnel;
- healthcare reform measures and other third-party coverage and reimbursement policies; and
- discussion of us or our stock price by the financial and scientific press and in online investor communities.

The realization of any of the risks described in these "Risk Factors" could also have a dramatic and material adverse impact on the market price of our common stock.

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Future sales of our common stock may depress our stock price.

Any future sales of a substantial number of shares of our common stock in the public market, or the perception that such sales may occur, could adversely affect the price of our common stock. We cannot predict the effect, if any, that market sales of any such shares of common stock or the availability of any such shares of common stock for sale would have on the market price of our common stock.

In addition, persons who were our stockholders prior to the sale of shares in our IPO continue to hold a substantial number of shares of our common stock that they may be able to sell in the public market, subject to the limitations of Rule 144 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. Significant portions of these shares are held by a small number of stockholders. Sales by our current stockholders of a substantial number of shares, or the expectation that such sales may occur, could significantly reduce the market price of our common stock. For example, certain of our executive officers have established selling plans under Rule 10b5-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or the Exchange Act, for the purpose of effecting specified sales of our common stock over a specified period of time. Moreover, the holders of a substantial number of shares of common stock may have rights, subject to certain conditions, to require us to file registration statements to permit the resale of their shares in the public market or to include their shares in registration statements that we may file for ourselves or other stockholders.

We have also registered all common stock that we may issue under our employee benefits plans. As a result, these shares can be freely sold in the public market upon issuance, subject to restrictions under the securities laws. In addition, our directors and executive officers may in the future establish programmed selling plans under Rule 10b5-1 of the Exchange Act for the purpose of effecting sales of our common stock, in addition to the already established plans. If any of these events cause a large number of our shares to be sold in the public market, the sales could reduce the trading price of our common stock and impede our ability to raise future capital.

Our executive officers, directors, principal stockholders and their respective affiliates will exercise significant influence over stockholder voting matters in a manner that may not be in the best interests of all of our stockholders.*

As of May 1, 2015, our executive officers, directors, holders of 5% or more of our capital stock and their respective affiliates together controlled approximately 30% of our outstanding common stock, assuming no exercise of outstanding options or warrants. As a result, these stockholders will collectively be able to significantly influence all matters requiring approval of our stockholders, including the election of directors and approval of significant corporate transactions. The concentration of ownership may delay, prevent or deter a change in control of our company even when such a change may be in the best interests of some stockholders, could deprive our stockholders of an opportunity to receive a premium for their common stock as part of a sale of our company or our assets and might affect the prevailing market price of our common stock.

Anti-takeover provisions under our charter documents and Delaware law could delay or prevent a change of control which could limit the market price of our common stock and may prevent or frustrate attempts by our stockholders to replace or remove our current management.

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws contain provisions that could delay or prevent a change of control of our company or changes in our board of directors that our stockholders might consider favorable. Some of these provisions include:

- a board of directors divided into three classes serving staggered three-year terms, such that not all members of the board will be elected at one time;
- a prohibition on stockholder action through written consent;
- a requirement that special meetings of stockholders be called only by the chairman of the board of directors, the chief executive officer, the president or by a majority of the total number of authorized directors;
- advance notice requirements for stockholder proposals and nominations;
- a requirement of approval of not less than 66 ²/₃% of all outstanding shares of our capital stock entitled to vote to amend any bylaws by stockholder action, or to amend specific provisions of our certificate of incorporation; and
- the authority of the board of directors to issue preferred stock on terms determined by the board of directors without stockholder approval.

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In addition, we are governed by the provisions of Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporate Law, which may prohibit certain business combinations with stockholders owning 15% or more of our outstanding voting stock. These and other provisions in our amended and restated certificate of incorporation, amended and restated bylaws and Delaware law could make it more difficult for stockholders or potential acquirers to obtain control of our board of directors or initiate actions that are opposed by the then-current board of directors, including to delay or impede a merger, tender offer or proxy contest involving our company. Any delay or prevention of a change of control transaction or changes in our board of directors could cause the market price of our common stock to decline.

We have never paid dividends on our capital stock, and because we do not anticipate paying any cash dividends in the foreseeable future, capital appreciation, if any, of our common stock will be your sole source of gain on an investment in our stock.

We have paid no cash dividends on any of our classes of capital stock to date and we currently intend to retain our future earnings, if any, to fund the development and growth of our business. We do not anticipate paying any cash dividends on our common stock in the foreseeable future. As a result, capital appreciation, if any, of our common stock will be your sole source of gain for the foreseeable future.

We may become involved in securities-related litigation, including securities class action litigation, or securities-related investigations, that could divert management's attention and harm our business and could subject us to significant liabilities.*

The stock markets have from time to time experienced significant price and volume fluctuations that have affected the market prices for the common stock of pharmaceutical companies. These broad market fluctuations may cause the market price of our common stock to decline. In the past, securities class action litigation has often been brought against a company following a decline in the market price of its securities. This risk is especially relevant for us because biotechnology and biopharmaceutical companies have experienced significant stock price volatility in recent years. We may become involved in this and other types of shareholder litigation in the future. Moreover, as a public company, we could be subject to sanctions or investigations by Nasdaq, the SEC or other regulatory authorities, which would entail expenditure of additional financial and management resources. For example, in April 2015, we received a formal request from the SEC's Division of Enforcement for documentation related to, among other things, a Current Report on Form 8-K that we filed with the SEC on March 3, 2015. We intend to cooperate fully with the SEC regarding this matter. Litigation, and investigations by regulatory authorities, are often expensive and divert management's attention and resources, which could adversely affect our business.

In May 2013, we received a shareholder demand alleging that certain option grants to our President and Chief Executive Officer, Michael A. Narachi, our Chief Business Officer and acting-Chief Financial Officer, Joseph P. Hagan, and our Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary, Heather D. Turner, in 2011 were granted in excess of the 1,500,000 share limit set forth in Section 3.3 of the Orexigen Therapeutics, Inc. 2007 Equity Incentive Award Plan, or Plan, as to the number of shares of our common stock with respect to which one or more stock awards may be granted to any one eligible participant during any of our fiscal years. We refer to this limit as the 162(m) Award Limit. Our board of directors established a demand review committee composed of independent directors to conduct an investigation with respect to the shareholder demand and to make recommendations to our board of directors. The demand review committee engaged independent counsel as part of its investigation and evaluated (1) the terms of the Plan, (2) the initial issuance procedures for the option grants to Mr. Narachi, Mr. Hagan and Ms. Turner during 2011, (3) the authority available to the compensation committee of our board of directors under its charter and the Plan, (4) the expectations of the award recipients and (5) the intent of our board of directors and the compensation committee regarding the availability of an exemption from the deductibility limitations of Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code for such option grants. Following its investigation, the demand review committee determined that the 162(m) Award Limit first became effective as of June 2, 2011, and that, therefore, awards granted under the Plan prior to June 2, 2011, did not count toward the 162(m) Award Limit. The demand review committee determined that the awards granted to Mr. Hagan between June 2, 2011 and December 31, 2011 did not exceed the 162(m) Award Limit. The demand review committee further determined that the options granted to Mr. Narachi and Ms. Turner, including the portion of such awards in excess of the 162(m) Award Limit, were validly approved under the Plan, although the portion of those awards in excess of the 162(m) Award Limit does not qualify as performance-based compensation under Section 162(m). In September 2013, the compensation committee amended the Plan, with the approval of our board of directors, to take the following actions: (1) to clarify that the 162(m) Award Limit only applies to awards or the portion thereof intended to qualify as performance-based compensation under Section 162(m); and (2) to confirm that the compensation committee has the authority to make awards in excess of the 162(m) Award Limit, which board action we refer to as the Plan Amendment. The Plan Amendment is deemed effective as of June 10, 2011, consistent with the authority of the compensation committee as administrator of the Plan as of that date. Any grants under the Plan in excess of the 162(m) Award Limit are not intended to qualify as performance-based compensation under Section 162(m).

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On December 6, 2013, a plaintiff claiming to be a shareholder of ours filed a derivative lawsuit purportedly on behalf of us against certain of our officers and the members of our board of directors, in the Superior Court for the State of California, County of San Diego, captioned *Wilkin v. Narachi, et al.* On December 9, 2013, the same shareholder who made a demand on the board in May 2013 filed a derivative lawsuit purportedly on behalf of us against certain of our officers and current and former members of our board of directors in the United States District Court, for the Southern District of California, captioned *Turgeman v. Narachi, et al.* Both of the lawsuits assert claims for breach of fiduciary duty, waste and unjust enrichment based on, among other things, the alleged grant of stock options to certain officers in excess of the 162(m) Award Limit, repricing stock options allegedly in violation of our equity incentive plan, the board of directors' conduct in responding to the May 2013 shareholder demand, and making allegedly false and misleading statements. Both of the lawsuits seek, among other things, declaratory relief, corporate governance reforms, rescission of certain stock option awards, rescission of the Plan Amendment, injunctive relief, damages, restitution, disgorgement and attorney's fees. On July 23, 2014, we and the individual defendants filed a motion to dismiss the *Turgeman* complaint. On March 9, 2015, the court granted the motion to dismiss with thirty days leave to amend. An amended complaint was filed on April 8, 2015. The amended complaint asserts the same derivative claims as the original complaint and asserts a putative claim on behalf of plaintiff and our shareholders for breach of contract for alleged violations of the 2007 Equity Incentive Plan. Our and the individual defendants' responses to the amended complaint is due on May 8, 2015 and we plan to file a motion to dismiss. We and the individual defendants filed a motion to dismiss the *Wilkin* complaint on August 13, 2014. On October 24, 2014, the judge granted the motion to dismiss with leave to amend the complaint. The plaintiff did not file an amended complaint within the court-ordered deadline but filed a motion to stay the action. On January 29, 2015, the judge denied the motion to stay and dismissed the lawsuit with prejudice. On February 6, 2015, the parties filed a stipulation with the court in which plaintiff waived his right to appeal and the parties agreed to a judgment dismissing the lawsuit and on March 4, 2015, a final judgment was entered. Although management believes that the claims lack merit and intends to defend against them vigorously, there are uncertainties inherent in any litigation and we cannot predict the outcome.

On March 10, 2015, a purported class action lawsuit was filed against us and certain of our officers in the United States District Court, for the Southern District of California, captioned *Colley v. Orexigen, et al.* The following day, two additional putative class action lawsuits were filed in the same court, captioned *Stefanko v. Orexigen, et al.*, and *Yantz v. Orexigen, et al.*, asserting substantially similar claims. The complaints purport to assert claims on behalf of a class of purchasers of the Company's stock between March 3, 2015 and March 5, 2015. It alleges that defendants violated Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 by purportedly making false and misleading statements regarding the interim results of the Light Study. The complaints seek an unspecified amount of damages, attorneys' fees and equitable or injunctive relief. Motions seeking to be appointed Lead Plaintiff are due May 11, 2015. We expect a consolidated complaint to be filed approximately 60 days after the Court appoints a Lead Plaintiff. Although management believes that the claims lack merit and intends to defend against them vigorously, there are uncertainties inherent in any litigation and we cannot predict the outcome.

ITEM 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS

None.

ITEM 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES

None.

ITEM 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES

None.

ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION

None.

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ITEM 6. EXHIBITS

Exhibit Number	Description
3.1(1)	Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Registrant
3.2(2)	Certificate of Amendment of Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Registrant
3.3(1)	Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Registrant
3.4(5)	Amendment to Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Registrant
4.1(1)	Form of the Registrant's Common Stock Certificate
4.2(3)	Form of Warrant to Purchase Common Stock
4.3(4)	Indenture dated as of December 6, 2013 by and between the Registrant and Wilmington Trust, National Association, as trustee
31.1*	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Rules 13a-14 and 15d-14 promulgated pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended
31.2*	Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Rules 13a-14 and 15d-14 promulgated pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended
32.1*	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
32.2*	Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
101	The following financial statements and footnotes from the Orexigen Therapeutics Inc. Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2015 formatted in eXtensible Business Reporting Language (XBRL): (i) Balance Sheets; (ii) Statements of Operations; (iii) Statements of Comprehensive Income (Loss); (iv) Statements of Cash Flows; and (v) the Notes to Unaudited Financial Statements.
(1)	Filed with the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1 on December 19, 2006, as amended (File No. 333-139496).
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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.

OREXIGEN THERAPEUTICS, INC.

Date: May 8, 2015

By: /s/ Michael A. Narachi

Michael A. Narachi
President and Chief Executive Officer
(Principal Executive Officer)

Date: May 8, 2015

By: /s/ Joseph P. Hagan

Joseph P. Hagan
Chief Business Officer
(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

INDEX TO EXHIBITS

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CERTIFICATION OF PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICER
PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

I, Michael A. Narachi, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Orexigen Therapeutics, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - a. designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b. designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c. evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d. disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a. all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b. any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: May 8, 2015

/s/ Michael A. Narachi

Michael A. Narachi
President and Chief Executive Officer

CERTIFICATION OF PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL OFFICER
PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

I, Joseph P. Hagan, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Orexigen Therapeutics, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - a. designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b. designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c. evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d. disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a. all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b. any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: May 8, 2015

/s/ Joseph P. Hagan

Joseph P. Hagan
Chief Business Officer
(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350,
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the quarterly report of Orexigen Therapeutics, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2015, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Michael A. Narachi, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that, to my knowledge:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d), as applicable, of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: May 8, 2015

/s/ Michael A. Narachi

Michael A. Narachi
President and Chief Executive Officer

The foregoing certification is being furnished solely pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 and is not being filed as part of the Report or as a separate disclosure document.

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350,
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the quarterly report of Orexigen Therapeutics, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2015, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Joseph P. Hagan, Chief Business Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that, to my knowledge:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d), as applicable, of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: May 8, 2015

/s/ Joseph P. Hagan
Joseph P. Hagan
Chief Business Officer
(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

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