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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 JUNE 30, 2007**

OR

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

Commission file number:
001-31829

CARTER S, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(state or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

13-3912933
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

The Proscenium
1170 Peachtree Street NE, Suite 900
Atlanta, Georgia 30309
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(404) 745-2700
(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 is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, or a non-accelerated filer. See definition of accelerated filer and large accelerated filer in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one)

Large Accelerated Filer Accelerated Filer Non-Accelerated Filer

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

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date.

| Common Stock | Outstanding Shares at August 9, 2007 |
|--|---|
| Common stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 57,894,685 |

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PART I FINANCIAL INFORMATION**ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS****CARTER S, INC.****CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS**

(dollars in thousands, except for share data)

(unaudited)

| | June 30, 2007 | December 30, 2006 |
|--|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| ASSETS | | |
| Current assets: | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 19,848 | \$ 68,545 |
| Accounts receivable, net | 104,534 | 110,615 |
| Finished goods inventories, net | 231,588 | 193,588 |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets | 15,000 | 7,296 |
| Assets held for sale | 6,109 | |
| Deferred income taxes | 19,087 | 22,377 |
| Total current assets | 396,166 | 402,421 |
| Property, plant, and equipment, net | 72,693 | 87,940 |
| Tradenames | 310,233 | 322,233 |
| Cost in excess of fair value of net assets acquired | 136,570 | 279,756 |
| Deferred debt issuance costs, net | 5,320 | 5,903 |
| Licensing agreements, net | 10,767 | 12,895 |
| Leasehold interests, net | 918 | 1,151 |
| Other assets | 9,568 | 10,892 |
| Total assets | \$ 942,235 | \$ 1,123,191 |
| LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY | | |
| Current liabilities: | | |
| Current maturities of long-term debt | \$ 2,627 | \$ 2,627 |
| Accounts payable | 85,872 | 70,878 |
| Other current liabilities | 28,563 | 63,012 |
| Total current liabilities | 117,062 | 136,517 |
| Long-term debt | 340,653 | 342,405 |
| Deferred income taxes | 115,150 | 125,784 |
| Other long-term liabilities | 32,708 | 22,994 |
| Total liabilities | 605,573 | 627,700 |
| Commitments and contingencies | | |
| Stockholders equity: | | |
| Preferred stock; par value \$.01 per share; 100,000 shares authorized; none issued or outstanding at June 30, 2007 and December 30, 2006 | | |
| Common stock, voting; par value \$.01 per share; 150,000,000 shares authorized; 58,185,355 and 58,927,280 shares issued and outstanding at June 30, 2007 and December 30, 2006, respectively | 582 | 589 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 247,587 | 275,045 |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income | 5,187 | 5,301 |
| Retained earnings | 83,306 | 214,556 |

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| | | |
|--|------------|--------------|
| Total stockholders' equity | 336,662 | 495,491 |
| Total liabilities and stockholders' equity | \$ 942,235 | \$ 1,123,191 |

See accompanying notes to the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(dollars in thousands, except per share data)

(unaudited)

| | For the three-month periods ended | | For the six-month periods ended | |
|---|--------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------------------|-----------------|
| | June 30, 2007 | July 1, 2006 | June 30, 2007 | July 1, 2006 |
| Net sales | \$ 287,775 | \$ 277,577 | \$ 607,903 | \$ 574,024 |
| Cost of goods sold | 192,357 | 180,342 | 406,105 | 368,625 |
| Gross profit | 95,418 | 97,235 | 201,798 | 205,399 |
| Selling, general, and administrative expenses | 84,635 | 82,466 | 172,881 | 165,448 |
| Intangible asset impairment (Note 3) | 154,886 | | 154,886 | |
| Closure costs | 470 | 10 | 4,977 | 91 |
| Royalty income | (6,700) | (6,654) | (14,245) | (13,828) |
| Operating (loss) income | (137,873) | 21,413 | (116,701) | 53,688 |
| Interest expense, net | 5,704 | 6,929 | 11,432 | 13,813 |
| (Loss) income before income taxes | (143,577) | 14,484 | (128,133) | 39,875 |
| (Benefit from) provision for income taxes | (128) | 5,466 | 5,705 | 15,071 |
| Net (loss) income | \$ (143,449) | \$ 9,018 | \$ (133,838) | \$ 24,804 |
| Basic net (loss) income per common share | \$ (2.48) | \$ 0.16 | \$ (2.30) | \$ 0.43 |
| Diluted net (loss) income per common share | \$ (2.48) | \$ 0.15 | \$ (2.30) | \$ 0.41 |
| Basic weighted-average number of shares outstanding | 57,838,075 | 57,877,753 | 58,142,782 | 57,793,393 |
| Diluted weighted-average number of shares outstanding | 57,838,075 | 61,183,491 | 58,142,782 | 61,160,185 |

See accompanying notes to the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(dollars in thousands)

(unaudited)

Cash flows
from
operating
activities:
Net (loss)
income
Adjustments
to reconcile
net (loss)
income to net
cash used in
operating
activities:
Depreciation
and
amortization
Amortization
of debt
issuance costs
Non-cash
intangible
asset
impairment
charges
Non-cash
stock-based
compensation
expense
Income tax
benefit from
exercised
stock options
Loss on sale
of property,
plant, and
equipment
Deferred
income taxes
Non-cash
closure costs
Effect of
changes in
operating
assets and
liabilities:
Accounts
receivable

Inventories
 Prepaid
 expenses and
 other assets
 Accounts
 payable and
 other
 liabilities

Net cash used
 in operating
 activities

Cash flows
 from investing
 activities:
 Capital
 expenditures
 Proceeds from
 sale of
 property,
 plant, and
 equipment

Net cash used
 in investing
 activities

Cash flows
 from
 financing
 activities:
 Payments on
 term loan
 Share
 repurchase
 Income tax
 benefit from
 exercised
 stock options
 Proceeds from
 exercise of
 stock options

Net cash used
 in financing
 activities

Pursuant to its terms, the agreement expired in February 2012, following the completion of the Phase 1 clinical trial. The Company received the final reimbursement of \$195,500 in February 2012 and a total of \$1,550,000 over the life of the agreement, which is reflected in the Company's Condensed Statement of Operations.

6. CONVERTIBLE NOTES PAYABLE

On March 15, 2013, the Company entered into a convertible note purchase agreement with certain accredited investors for the purchase of a principal amount of up to \$500,000 of secured convertible promissory notes (the "2013 Notes") for an aggregate of up to \$500,000 at a discount. The closing of the private placement also occurred on March 15, 2013, and resulted in the sale of the 2013 Notes.

aggregate original issue price of \$382,500. The original issue discount is \$67,500 and is being amortized to interest expense. The unamortized balance of this original issue discount is \$47,713.

The 2013 Notes, which have a maturity date of March 15, 2014, do not bear interest and may be prepaid without penalty. The 2013 Notes are secured by a blanket lien on our assets pursuant to a security agreement dated March 15, 2013.

The 2013 Notes contain an optional conversion feature that enables the Holder to convert all outstanding shares into cash or common stock equal to the average daily Closing Price over the ten consecutive trading days preceding the date of such prepayment, only if the Company chooses to prepay the Notes in whole or in part without penalty upon 30 days' prior written notice (the "conversion period").

Pursuant to the terms of the 2013 Notes, upon a Change of Control (as defined in the 2013 Notes) in which either (i) the Company is acquired or exchanged for securities of another corporation, or (ii) the Company issues shares of common stock, with no securities being issued in exchange for common stock (e.g., a merger transaction in which the Company acquires another corporation in exchange for shares of common stock), the applicable 2013 Note shall automatically convert, as of immediately prior to the effective time of the Change of Control, into cash or common stock at a conversion price per share equal to the Closing Price (as defined in the Notes) on the effective date of the Change of Control. In addition, upon a Change of Control, the holder of a 2013 Note shall receive from the Company a five-year warrant entitling the holder to purchase, at an exercise price equal to the Closing Price on the effective date of the Change of Control, common stock obtained by dividing (a) the sum of the outstanding principal under the applicable Note by (b) the Closing Price on the effective date of the Change of Control other than as described in the preceding sentence, the Company shall pay to each 2013 Note holder the amount of such warrant. Upon payment of such amount to the 2013 Note holders, all of the obligations under the applicable Note shall be extinguished.

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6. CONVERTIBLE NOTES PAYABLE (Continued)

The warrants issuable upon a Change of Control are considered an embedded derivative and were bifurcated from the 2013 Notes. The fair value of the warrants was \$203,400 on March 15, 2013, date of issuance and were recorded as additional debt discount (Note 10) on a straight-line basis until the warrants are issued or the 2013 Notes are repaid in full. As of June 30, 2013, the fair value of the warrants was \$148,000, the fair value of the warrants at issuance. Following the entry into the merger agreement with Capricor (Note 11), the probability of issuance was assumed to be 90% for the Black-Scholes valuation of the 2013 Notes on March 15, 2013 and June 30, 2013:

| | March 15, 2013 | June 30, 2013 |
|--------------------------|----------------|---------------|
| Stock Price : | \$ 0.09 | \$ 0.05 |
| Strike Price : | \$ 0.09 | \$ 0.05 |
| Risk-free Rate: | 0.84 | % 1.41 |
| Volatility | 148 | % 148 |
| Term | 5 years | 5 years |
| Probability of issuance: | 50 | % 90 |

The discount is being amortized to interest expense over the one year term of the 2013 Notes. As of June 30, 2013, the discount remaining is \$148,000.

7. FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The Company defines fair value as the amount at which an asset (or liability) could be bought (or incurred) or sold (or settled) in a transaction between willing parties, other than in a forced or liquidation sale. The fair value estimates presented in the table below are based on information available to management as of the reporting date.

The accounting standard regarding fair value measurements discusses valuation techniques, such as the market approach (using market prices of similar assets or liabilities, or value of future income or cash flow), and the cost approach (cost to replace the service capacity of an asset or replacement cost less depreciation or amortization). The standard prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value into three broad levels. The following is a brief description of the three levels:

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Level 1: Observable inputs such as quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

Level 2: Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. These include quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets and quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active.

Level 3: Unobservable inputs that reflect the reporting entity's own assumptions.

The Company has determined the fair value of certain liabilities using the market approach. The following table provides the fair value of these liabilities at fair value on a recurring basis as of June 30, 2013:

| | Fair Value June 30, 2013 | Quoted Market Prices in Active Markets (Level 1) | Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2) | Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3) |
|---|-----------------------------|---|---|---|
| Liabilities | | | | |
| Warrant liability - April 2012 issuance | \$ 104,687 | \$ - | \$ - | \$ 104,687 |
| Warrant liability - 2013 Notes | 407,400 | - | - | 407,400 |
| Total | \$ 512,087 | \$ - | \$ - | \$ 512,087 |

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7. FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

The fair value of the warrant liability relating to the 2013 Notes (Note 6) was estimated by management using the Binomial Option Pricing Model. Changes in the fair value of the warrant liability are recorded in other income (expense) on the Condensed Statements of Operations.

The fair value of the warrant liability relating to the warrants issued in conjunction with the April 2012 financing (Note 6) was estimated by management using the Binomial Option Pricing Model. The binomial option pricing model is a generally accepted valuation model used to generate a defined estimate of the range of the Company's future expected stock prices, and their resulting probabilistic valuation. The changes in the fair value of the warrant liability are recorded in other income (expense) on the Condensed Statements of Operations.

The following table provides a summary of changes in fair value of the Company's liabilities, as well as the portion of those liabilities that relate to those liabilities held at June 30, 2013:

| | Fair Value Measurements Us Significant Unobservable Inp (Level 3) Warrant Liability |
|---|--|
| Balance at January 1, 2013 | \$ 63,384 |
| Purchases, sales and settlements: Derivatives issued | 203,400 |
| Total gains or losses Unrealized appreciation | 245,303 |
| Balance at June 30, 2013 | \$ 512,087 |

8. STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

On July 7, 2013, the Company entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger and Reorganization with Capricor, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company. Pursuant to this agreement, Bovet Merger Corp. will merge with and into Capricor, Inc. and a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company. In connection with this merger transaction, the current stockholders of Capricor, Inc. will receive a number of shares of the Company's common stock such that, following the merger, the former Capricor stockholders will own common stock on a fully-diluted basis.

(a) Common Stock

On April 4, 2012, the Company closed an offering with certain purchasers pursuant to which it sold an aggregate of 275,000 shares of common stock to purchasers for a purchase price of \$0.40 per share. In addition, for each share purchased, each purchaser also received one warrant to purchase one share of common stock at an exercise price of \$0.50 per share, which resulted in the issuance of warrants to purchase 275,000 shares of common stock. The warrants contain non-standard anti-dilution features (Note 8b) and as result will be classified as a liability.

The total gross proceeds from the offering were \$1.34 million, before deducting selling commissions and other offering expenses. Pursuant to the offering, the Company engaged Roth Capital Partners, LLC, or Roth, to serve as placement agent. Pursuant to the offering, the Company engaged Roth a cash fee equal to seven percent of the gross proceeds received by the Company, or approximately \$0.11 million. Richard B. Brewer, the Company's former Executive Chairman, Joshua A. Kazam, the Company's former President, the Company's Chief Financial Officer, and Hsiao Lieu, M.D., the Company's former Executive VP of Clinical Development, and other unaffiliated purchasers, and collectively purchased 275,000 shares of common stock and warrants to purchase 206,000 shares of common stock, for a total of \$110,000.

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8. STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (Continued)

(b) Warrants

In connection with the April 2012 financing, as discussed above, the Company issued a total of 2,512,500 warrants to purchase one share of the Company's common stock at an exercise price of \$0.50 per share. The warrants contain an anti-dilution provision. If the Company issues common shares at a price below the current exercise price of the warrants, the exercise price of the warrants will be adjusted. Because of this anti-dilution provision and the inherent uncertainty as to the probability of future common share issuances, the Black-Scholes model for valuing stock options could not be used. Management used a binomial option pricing model to determine the value of the warrants at issuance and \$0.1 million at June 30, 2013. The binomial option pricing model (Note 7) is used for the valuation of the warrants until the warrants are exercised or they expire with the changes in fair value recorded in other income (expense) on the income statement.

Significant assumptions used at June 30, 2013 for the warrants included a weighted average term of 3.75 years, volatility of 30%, and a risk-free rate of 0.25%.

In connection with the 2011 Offering, the Company issued a total of 2,500,000 Warrants, each of which has a term of 5 years to purchase one share of the Company's common stock at an exercise price of \$0.60 per share. In addition, the Company issued the Placement Warrants to purchase one share of the Company's common stock at an exercise price of \$0.60 per share.

Below is a table that summarizes all outstanding warrants to purchase shares of the Company's common stock as of June 30, 2013:

| Grant Date | Warrants Issued | Exercise Price Range | Weighted Average Exercise Price | Expiration Date | Exercised | Warrants Outstanding |
|------------|-----------------|----------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------|-----------|----------------------|
| 7/15/2009 | 2,909,695 | \$ 1.25-2.28 | \$ 1.64 | 7/14/2014 | 5,000 | 2,904,695 |
| 4/21/2010 | 2,632,500 | \$0.94 | \$ 0.94 | 4/20/2015 | - | 2,632,500 |
| 6/20/2011 | 2,750,000 | \$0.60 | \$ 0.60 | 6/19/2016 | - | 2,750,000 |
| 4/4/2012 | 2,512,500 | \$0.50 | \$ 0.50 | 4/3/2017 | - | 2,512,500 |

| | | | |
|------------|---------|-------|------------|
| 10,804,695 | \$ 0.99 | 5,000 | 10,799,695 |
|------------|---------|-------|------------|

On August 1, 2013, the Company entered into warrant exchange agreements with each holder of the warrants to purchase common stock that were issued in connection with the 2011 Offering. Pursuant to such agreements, each such holder received 0.1667 shares of common stock purchasable under the warrants held by such holder. The Company issued a total number of 458,332 shares of its common stock. As a result, all of the warrants issued in connection with the 2011 Offering have been cancelled.

9. STOCK OPTION PLAN

The Company's Amended and Restated 2005 Stock Option Plan (the "Plan") was initially adopted by the Board of Directors to authorize the issuance of 2,000,000 shares of common stock for issuance. On September 17, 2007, pursuant to the merger with SMI, the Plan was substituted with 2,758,838 shares of common stock, resulting in an aggregate of 5,517,676 shares available for issuance. The Board approved an amendment to the Plan increasing the total number of shares authorized for issuance thereunder to 9,500,000 shares for employees, directors, consultants, and advisors. Incentives under the Plan may be granted in any one or a combination of (a) non-statutory stock options, (b) stock appreciation rights, (c) stock awards, (d) restricted stock and (e) performance awards. The committee appointed by the Board, which determines the recipients and types of awards to be granted, as well as the vesting schedule. The term of stock options granted under the Plan cannot exceed ten years. Currently, stock options granted under the Plan are based on the Company's common stock on the date of grant, and generally vest over a period of one to four years.

For the three and six months ended June 30, 2013 and June 30, 2012, the Company did not issue any employee stock options.

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9. STOCK OPTION PLAN (Continued)

A summary of the status of the options issued under the Plan at June 30, 2013, and information with respect to the

| | Shares Available for Grant | Outstanding Stock Options | Weighted- Average Exercise Price | Aggregate Intrinsic Value |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|
| Balance at January 1, 2013 | 4,537,522 | 4,571,046 | \$ 1.24 | |
| Options granted under the Plan | - | - | \$ - | |
| Options exercised | - | - | \$ - | |
| Options forfeited | 290,000 | (290,000) | \$ 2.33 | |
| Balance at June 30, 2013 | 4,827,522 | 4,281,046 | \$ 1.25 | \$ - |
| Exercisable at June 30, 2013 | | 4,281,046 | \$ 1.25 | \$ - |

The following table summarizes information about stock options outstanding at June 30, 2013:

| Range of Exercise Prices | Outstanding | | | Exercisable | |
|-----------------------------|-------------|---|------------------------------------|-----------------|--|
| | Shares | Weighted- Average Remaining Contractual Life | Weighted-Average Exercise Price | Total Shares | Weighted- Average Exercise Price |
| \$0.09 to \$0.57 | 1,506,533 | 5.43 | \$ 0.40 | 1,506,533 | \$ 0.40 |
| \$0.68 to \$0.93 | 1,469,820 | 4.62 | \$ 0.82 | 1,469,820 | \$ 0.82 |
| \$1.46 to \$2.71 | 974,693 | 5.04 | \$ 2.12 | 974,693 | \$ 2.12 |
| \$4.50 | 330,000 | 4.21 | \$ 4.50 | 330,000 | \$ 4.50 |
| Total | 4,281,046 | 4.97 | \$ 1.25 | 4,281,046 | \$ 1.25 |

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Share-based compensation is recognized only for those awards that are ultimately expected to vest; therefore, the Company recognizes compensation cost for the awards for the purpose of calculating compensation cost. These estimates will be revised, if necessary, in future periods. Changes in forfeiture estimates impact compensation cost in the period in which the change in estimate occurs.

Employee stock-based compensation costs for the three and six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012 and for the three and six months ended June 30, 2013 are as follows:

| | Three months ended June 30, | | Six months ended June 30, | |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------|---------------------------|------------|
| | 2013 | 2012 | 2013 | 2012 |
| General and administrative | \$ 7,431 | \$ 75,030 | 14,845 | \$ 186,740 |
| Research and development | - | 7,188 | - | 67,286 |
| Total | \$ 7,431 | \$ 82,218 | 14,845 | \$ 254,026 |

The fair value of shares vested under the Plan for the three and six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012 and for the three and six months ended June 30, 2013 were \$7,431, \$14,862, \$307,850, \$408,859 and \$7,620,918 respectively.

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9. STOCK OPTION PLAN (Continued)

At June 30, 2013, there were no unrecognized estimated employee (including directors) compensation costs related to stock options that have not yet vested as of June 30, 2013.

Common stock, stock options or other equity instruments issued to non-employees (including consultants and all non-employees) for consideration for goods or services received by the Company are accounted for based on the fair value of the equity instrument received (if the fair value received can be more reliably measured). The fair value of any options issued to non-employees is recorded as expense.

The Company did not incur stock-based compensation costs for services by non-employees for the three and six month periods ended June 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. The Company incurred stock-based compensation costs of \$498,095 for the cumulative period from August 1, 2005 (inception) through June 30, 2013. These amounts were included in stock-based compensation administrative expenses in the accompanying Condensed Statements of Operations. As of June 30, 2013 all non-employee stock options were vested.

On August 9, 2013, holders of options to purchase, at exercise prices ranging from \$0.301 to \$4.50 per share, an aggregate of 750,000 shares, pursuant to the Plan agreed to terminate all of their rights in such stock options effective immediately prior to the expiration date. The holders, all of whom are directors or officers of the Company, did not receive any consideration for such agreement.

10. RELATED PARTIES

On June 24, 2009, the Company entered into a services agreement with Two River Consulting, LLC ("TRC") to provide consulting services to the Company, including the part-time services of Joshua A. Kazam as the Company's President and Chairman of the Board. S. Beldegrun are each directors of the Company and partners of TRC. David M. Tanen, who served as the Company's Chief Financial Officer on September 24, 2009, is also a partner of TRC. The terms of the services agreement were reviewed and approved by a Special Committee consisting of independent directors (the "Special Committee"). None of the members of the Special Committee had any financial interest in the services contemplated by the services agreement, the Company agreed to pay to TRC a monthly cash fee of \$10,000 plus 750,000 shares of the Company's common stock at a price per share equal to \$0.89, the closing sale price of the Company's common stock on the date the stock options vested immediately and the remaining 75% were scheduled to vest pursuant to the achievement of certain milestones. On January 5, 2011, the final block of stock options vested. Of the 750,000 original stock options issued, 562,500 were vested as of January 5, 2011.

In August 2010, the Company and TRC amended the services agreement to extend its term on a month-to-month basis and to grant immediately-exercisable stock options to purchase 250,000 shares of the Company's common stock at an exercise price of \$0.328, for a total value of \$82,200 that was expensed on the date of grant. In March 2011, the Company and TRC further amended the services agreement and to reduce the monthly cash fee payable to TRC to \$31,702, which monthly fee was then reduced to \$30,082 in May 2011 and eliminated. On August 1, 2012, the Company and TRC agreed that, upon the appointment of a full-time President and CEO, the cash fee payable under the services agreement would be reduced to \$6,600 to reflect the termination of Mr. Kazam's services. The Company's research and clinical development services may be provided by TRC, and billed to the Company, on an hourly basis. The Services Agreement was amended in March 2011, and August 2012 amendments to the services agreement.

On occasion, some of the Company's expenses are paid by TRC. No interest is charged by TRC on any outstanding amounts. For the periods ended June 30, 2013 and 2012 and for the period from August 1, 2005 (inception) through June 30, 2013, total cash services provided by TRC were \$191,940, and \$2,146,776, respectively. As of June 30, 2013 the Company had a payable to TRC of \$13,200 which was included in accounts payable.

11. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Compensation of President and CEO.

On November 5, 2012, the Company entered into a letter agreement with Darlene Horton, M.D., its President and CEO, to reduce her monthly salary to \$100 effective November 1, 2012, and defer the balance of her \$28,314 monthly base salary until the Company completes an Interim Financing Event (defined below). The term "Interim Financing Event" means the consummation of a financing pursuant to which the Company shall have received, whether by a financing, strategic transaction or another means, at least \$5,000,000 in gross proceeds. As of June 30, 2013, the Company has an accrual of \$225,712, representing approximately 8 months of deferred salary.

Nile Therapeutics, Inc

(A Development Stage Company)

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11. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (Continued)

On March 21, 2013, the Company entered into a letter agreement with Dr. Horton, which letter agreement amends dated August 3, 2012, as previously amended on November 5, 2012.

Dr. Horton's existing letter agreement provided that if, prior to the date of a "compensation adjustment event," the agreement) and Dr. Horton's employment was terminated by the Company (or any successor entity) without a Change of Control Transaction and ending on the six-month anniversary of such effective date, then she would have been entitled to receive a percentage of Change of Control Proceeds (as defined in the agreement). For purposes of the agreement, the term "compensation adjustment event" means the Company has raised sufficient capital, whether by a financing or strategic transaction (or any combination thereof) or another means, in order to fund the Phase 2 clinical trial of the Company's cenderitide product candidate.

The March 21, 2013 letter agreement amends the payment terms described in the preceding paragraph and provides that if, prior to the date of a Change of Control Transaction in which either (i) the outstanding shares of the Company's common stock are exchanged for shares of another corporation, or (ii) the Company issues shares of its common stock, with no securities or other consideration paid or payable to holders of the Company's common stock, and the Company acquires another corporation in exchange for shares of the Company's common stock, then Dr. Horton will be entitled to receive, on the date of the Change of Control Transaction, a number of shares of the Company's common stock equal to 5% of the shares of the Company's common stock on an as-converted basis.

The agreement further provides that if, prior to December 31, 2013, the Company completes a Change of Control Transaction, then Dr. Horton will be entitled to receive a cash payment, on the date of such Change of Control Transaction, equal to 5% of the Company's net assets (as defined in the agreement).

Compensation of Chief Financial Officer.

On March 21, 2013, the Company entered into a letter agreement with Daron Evans, its Chief Financial Officer, pursuant to which the Company agreed to pay Dr. Evans a cash payment of \$100 effective February 1, 2013, and defer the balance of his \$22,917 monthly base salary until such time as the Company completes a "Financing Event" (as defined in the agreement). "Financing Event" means the consummation on or before December 31, 2013, of one or more transactions pursuant to which the Company raises capital.

strategic transaction or another means (or any combination thereof), an aggregate of at least \$1,000,000 in gross cash, plus \$114,384, representing approximately 5 months of deferred salary for Mr. Evans.

In addition, the agreement provides that if, prior to December 31, 2013, the Company completes a Change of Control, (i) the outstanding shares of the Company's common stock are exchanged for securities of another corporation, or (ii) the other consideration paid or payable to holders of the Company's common stock (e.g., a merger transaction in which the Company's common stock is exchanged for securities of another corporation), then Mr. Evans will be entitled to receive, immediately prior to the effective time of the Company's common stock exchange, cash or securities of the Company's common stock then outstanding on a fully diluted basis equal to 4.5% of the shares of the Company's common stock then outstanding on a fully diluted basis.

The agreement further provides that if, prior to December 31, 2013, the Company completes a Change of Control Transaction, Mr. Evans will be entitled to receive a cash payment, on the date of such Change of Control Transaction, equal to 4.5% of the shares of the Company's common stock then outstanding on a fully diluted basis (the agreement).

In consideration of the foregoing, the agreement provides that the Company shall have no further obligations pursuant to the agreement with Mr. Evans, dated July 24, 2010.

Termination of Lease Agreement.

On February 28, 2013, the Company terminated its office lease at 4 West 4th, Suite 400, San Mateo, CA. There were no other lease terminations.

Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

Overview

We are a development stage, biopharmaceutical company developing innovative products for the treatment of cardiac disease. We currently have exclusive rights to develop two drug candidates:

Cenderitide (formerly *CD-NP*), our lead product candidate, is a chimeric natriuretic peptide that we are developing for the treatment of patients for up to 90 days following admission for acutely decompensated heart failure. In 2011, we completed a 58-patient Phase 1 clinical trial of cenderitide in the post-acute setting. We conducted this trial using cenderitide through continuous intravenous infusion using Medtronic's pump technology. Following that Phase 1 trial, we are continuing development of cenderitide, pending availability of capital resources. However, to date we have been unable to raise the capital necessary to continue development activities. Any further development of cenderitide is subject to our ability to either raise additional capital or enter into a strategic partnership to raise the capital necessary to continue development activities. In addition to treating heart failure, we believe cenderitide has potential in other indications.

CU-NP, is a pre-clinical rationally designed natriuretic peptide that consists of amino acid chains identical to those of the C-type natriuretic peptide, or CNP, and the N- and C-termini of Urodilatin, or URO. All development of *CU-NP* is subject to our ability to raise the capital necessary to continue development activities. We are exploring alternative financing alternatives.

We have no product sales to date and we will not generate any product revenue until we receive approval from the FDA and other foreign regulatory bodies to begin selling our pharmaceutical product candidates. Developing pharmaceutical products is a capital intensive process and requires significant capital necessary for us to continue the development of our product candidates, whether through a strategic transaction or otherwise. We have spent significant capital on the development of a product candidate for several years, if ever. To date, most of our development expenses have related to our lead product candidate, the development of cenderitide and as we further develop *CU-NP*, our second product candidate, our research and development expenses will increase. Our success in acquiring additional product candidates for our development pipeline, our need to finance further research and development, and our success in raising capital to finance our operations. Accordingly, our success depends not only on the safety and efficacy of our product candidates, but also on our ability to raise capital. Our sources of working capital have been proceeds from private and public sales of our common stock, and debt financings.

On July 7, 2013, we entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger and Reorganization (the "Merger Agreement") with Capricor, a Delaware corporation, Los Angeles, CA, and Bovet Merger Corp., a Delaware corporation and our wholly-owned subsidiary ("Merger Sub"). The Merger Agreement, which is contained in the Merger Agreement, will merge with and into Capricor and Capricor will become a wholly-owned subsidiary of our company. Upon the Merger, each outstanding share of Capricor common stock, and each security convertible into Capricor common stock, will be converted into shares of our common stock, or, as applicable, securities convertible into our common stock, such that, after giving effect to the Merger, we will immediately prior to the Merger will hold, in the aggregate, 90% of the total number of shares of our common stock. Our primary objective in the Merger is to improve the treatment of heart disease by commercializing cardiac stem cell therapies for patients.

The Merger Agreement contains customary representations and warranties by us and Capricor with respect to each Merger Agreement. Closing of the Merger is conditioned on, among other things, accuracy of such representations, number of Capricor's stockholders, conversion of each share of Capricor preferred stock into Capricor common stock, incorporation authorizing a reverse split of our common stock at a ratio not to exceed 1-for-100. In addition, the closing is conditioned on the amendment to our technology license agreement with the Mayo Foundation and evidence of payment or other satisfaction of our obligations (with the exception of obligations not to exceed the aggregate amount of \$72,000, which may remain outstanding). The Merger Agreement may be terminated for certain reasons, including by either party if the closing thereof does not occur prior to the expiration of the term of the Merger Agreement or if any of the other customary terms and provisions as are common in similar agreements.

We do not have the capital resources available to continue the development of our product development programs and we have not yet sought either additional financing to fund such activities or a collaboration or other strategic agreement with a third party to fund the further development of our product candidates. Prior to our entry into the Capricor merger agreement, we had not entered into a merger with Capricor. The merger with Capricor is subject to several conditions, including the approval of our stockholders of a reverse split of our common stock. If these conditions are not satisfied, we may be unable to complete the planned merger. In that case, we would be forced to

Research and development, or R&D, expenses consist primarily of salaries and related personnel costs, fees paid to consultants and manufacturing development, legal expenses resulting from intellectual property prosecution, contractual review and enhancement of our product candidates. We expense our R&D costs as they are incurred.

General and administrative, or G&A, expenses consist primarily of salaries and related expenses for executive, financial and accounting, legal and other professional fees, business development expenses, rent, business insurance and other costs.

Our results include non-cash compensation expense as a result of the issuance of stock, stock options, and warrants during the vesting period. When more precise pricing data is unavailable, we determine the fair value of stock options using the Black-Scholes model. Schedules for share-based awards vary by type of grant and the employment status of the grantee. Generally, the awards are subject to performance-based conditions generally include the attainment of goals related to our financial performance and product development in the respective categories of expense in the statements of operations. We expect to record additional non-cash compensation expense in the future.

Results of Operations

General and Administrative Expenses. G&A expenses for the three months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012 were approximately \$0.6 million and \$0.9 million, respectively. There were no significant changes in G&A expenses for the three months ended June 30, 2013 as compared to the three months ended March 31, 2013.

G&A expenses for the six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012 were approximately \$0.6 million and \$0.9 million, respectively. The decrease of approximately \$0.3 million for the same period in 2012 is primarily due to a decrease of approximately \$0.1 million in stock compensation costs and a decrease of approximately \$0.2 million in professional fees due the reduced use outside management consultants during the first quarter of 2013 compared to the same period in 2012. Additionally, there was a decrease of approximately \$0.1 million in general operating expenses during the six months ended June 30, 2013 as compared to the same period in 2012 as we cut as many costs as possible to preserve remaining funds.

Research and Development Expenses. R&D expenses for the three months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012 were approximately \$0.1 million and \$0.4 million, respectively. The decrease of approximately \$0.3 million over the same period of 2012 is primarily due to the fact that during the second quarter of 2013, we had almost no development activities of cenderitide while during the second quarter of 2012, we had almost no development activities of cenderitide. Additionally, we had a reduction of approximately \$0.2 million in development costs. Additionally, we had a reduction of approximately \$0.1 million in compensation, due to having no R&D employees during the three months ended June 30, 2013, compared to one employee during the same period in 2012.

R&D expenses for the six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012 were approximately \$0.1 million and \$0.8 million, respectively. The decrease of approximately \$0.7 million for the same period of 2012 is primarily due to the fact that during the six months ended June 30, 2012, we were still conducting development activities of cenderitide while during the six months ended June 30, 2013, we had almost no development activities as we have wound down development activities of cenderitide. Additionally, we had a reduction of approximately \$0.2 million in compensation costs during the six months ended June 30, 2013 as compared to the same period in 2012.

employees during the six months ended June 30, 2013, compared to one employee during the same period in 2012.

Cenderitide. Since acquiring our rights to cenderitide in 2006, we have incurred approximately \$19.9 million in exp development of cenderitide is on hold pending the results of our efforts to pursue strategic alternatives, including o with Capricor, we expect that development of cenderitide will eventually continue by the combined company.

CU-NP. Since acquiring our rights to CU-NP in June 2008, we have incurred a total of approximately \$0.7 million pending the results of our efforts to pursue strategic alternatives, including our planned merger with Capricor. Subj development of CU-NP will eventually continue by the combined company.

Our expenditures on current and future clinical development programs, particularly our cenderitide program, are expected to exceed our available capital resources. In addition, assuming we complete our planned merger with Capricor, the research and development costs are expected to increase substantially with the addition of Capricor's R&D programs. However, these planned expenditures are subject to many uncertainties, including whether we develop any of our drug candidates with a partner or independently. As a result of such uncertainties, we cannot estimate the duration and completion costs of our research and development projects or whether, when and to what extent we will commercialize our product candidates. The duration and cost of clinical trials may vary significantly over the life of a project as a result of a number of factors and a variety of factors, including:

- the number of trials and studies
- the number of patients who participate in the trials
- the number of sites in which the trials are conducted
- the rates of patient recruitment
- the duration of patient treatment
- the costs of manufacturing or purchasing the drug
- the costs, requirements, timing of, and the ability to obtain regulatory approvals

Interest Income. Interest income for the three and six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012 was approximately \$1.5 million and \$1.8 million, respectively. The decrease in interest income in 2013 over the same periods in 2012 is primarily due to lower average cash balances in 2013 than 2012.

Collaboration Income. As a result of our February 2011 collaboration agreement with Medtronic pursuant to which we are conducting a Phase 1 trial of cenderitide in connection with our Phase 1 trial of cenderitide, we recognized income of \$0, \$0, \$0 and \$0.2 million for the three months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. The amounts due under the agreement were paid as of February 2012 at which time the agreement expired.

Interest Expense. Interest expense for the three and six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012 were approximately \$0.1 million and \$0.1 million, respectively. The increase in interest expense of approximately \$0.1 million is due to the convertible notes issued in March 2013. During 2012, there was no interest expense.

Other Income (Expense). Other expense for the three months ended June 30, 2013 was approximately \$0.1 million due to an increase in warrant liability in connection with the 2013 convertible notes during the three months ended June 30, 2013. This increase in warrant liability was driven by the increased probability of issuance as a result of the announced merger with Capricor, Inc. There was no such warrant liability in connection with the convertible notes during the same period of 2012 as the notes were not issued until 2013. Offsetting this increase in other expense for the three months ended June 30, 2013 was approximately \$0.1 million relating to a decrease in the April 2012 warrant liability, primarily as a result of the decrease in the stock price of the Company. During 2012, there was other income of approximately \$0.4 million as a result of a decrease in the warrant liability relating to the April 2012 convertible notes during the three months ended June 30, 2012 was primarily driven by a decrease in the Company's stock price.

Other expense for the six months ended June 30, 2013 was approximately \$0.2 million due primarily to an increase in warrant liability in connection with the 2013 convertible notes issued in March 2013. This increase in the warrant liability valuation was driven primarily by the announced merger with Capricor, Inc. There was no such warrant liability in connection with the convertible notes during the same period of 2012 as the notes were not issued until 2013.

issued until 2013. During the six months ended June 30, 2012, there was other income of approximately \$0.4 million from the expiration of April 2012 warrants. This decrease in the warrant liability during the six months ended June 30, 2012 was primarily

From inception through June 30, 2013, we have financed our operations through public and private sales of our equity from operations to date, and we do not expect to generate revenue for several years, if ever, we will need to raise sufficient funds through corporate activities and, thereafter, to fund our research and development, including our long-term plans for clinical trials. We will need additional funds through various potential sources, such as equity and debt financings, or through strategic collaborations. We may not be able to secure such additional sources of funds to support our operations, or if such funds are available to us, they may not be available on terms that meet our needs. Moreover, to the extent that we raise additional funds by issuing equity securities, our stockholders may experience dilution. If such funds are available, they may involve restrictive covenants. To the extent that we raise additional funds through collaboration and licensing, we may have to grant rights to our technologies or our product candidates, or grant licenses on terms that may not be favorable to us.

On March 15, 2013, we entered into a convertible note purchase agreement with certain purchasers under which we sold convertible promissory notes to certain purchasers in consideration for an aggregate purchase price of \$382,500. See “—Financing Activities,” below. We believe that our existing cash resources, only provides us with sufficient capital to fund our minimal operating expenses until the time we commence our corporate activities, we need substantial additional capital to fund our planned Phase 2 clinical trial of cenderitide. In the event of the development of our product candidates, whether through a financing, strategic or other transaction, we will be

Our estimates regarding the sufficiency of our financial resources are based on assumptions that may prove to be wrong or in greater amounts than we currently anticipate. The actual amount of funds we will need to operate is subject to change and may include the following:

- the progress of our research and development efforts
- the number and scope of our clinical trials
- the progress of our pre-clinical and clinical studies
- the progress of the development efforts of parties with whom we have entered into license agreements
- our ability to maintain current research and development programs and to establish new research and development programs
- the cost involved in prosecuting and enforcing patent claims and other intellectual property rights
- the cost and timing of regulatory submissions

Financing Activities

March 2013 Financing. On March 15, 2013, we entered into a convertible note purchase agreement with certain purchasers under which we sold convertible promissory notes to certain purchasers in consideration for an aggregate purchase price of up to \$500,000 of secured convertible promissory notes (the “Notes”) for an aggregate original principal amount of up to \$500,000. The closing of the private placement also occurred on March 15, 2013, and resulted in the sale of Notes in the aggregate principal amount of \$382,500 at a purchase price of \$382,500.

The Notes, which have a maturity date of March 15, 2014, do not bear interest and may be prepaid by us without penalty. The Notes are secured by a blanket lien on our assets pursuant to a security agreement dated March 15, 2013.

The 2013 Notes contain an optional conversion feature that enables the Holder to convert all outstanding shares of our common stock into a number of shares of common stock equal to the average daily Closing Price over the ten consecutive trading days preceding the date of such prepayment (only if the Company chooses to prepay the Notes in whole or in part without penalty upon 30 days' prior written notice to the Holder).

Upon a Change of Control (as defined in the Notes) in which either (i) the outstanding shares of our common stock are sold, or (ii) the Company issues shares of common stock, with no securities or other consideration paid or payable to holders of our common stock,

corporation in exchange for shares of our common stock), then (A) the entire unpaid principal under the applicable effective time of the Change of Control, into shares of our common stock at a conversion price per share equal to the Change of Control, and (B) we shall also issue to each Note holder a five-year warrant entitling the holder to purchase, on the effective date of the Change of Control, that number of shares of our common stock obtained by dividing (a) the sum of the unpaid principal and interest under the applicable Note by (b) the Closing Price on the effective date of the Change of Control.

Upon a Change of Control other than as described in the preceding paragraph, we shall pay to each Note holder an amount equal to the unpaid principal and interest under the applicable Note. Upon payment of such amount to the Note holders, all of the obligations under the applicable Note shall be deemed satisfied.

April 2012 Financing. On April 4, 2012, we closed an offering with certain purchasers pursuant to which we sold a certain number of shares of common stock to certain purchasers for a purchase price of \$0.40 per share. In addition, for each share purchased, each purchaser also received one share of common stock at an exercise price of \$0.50 per share, which resulted in the issuance of warrants to purchase a certain number of shares of common stock. The gross proceeds from the offering were \$1.34 million, before deducting selling commissions and other offering expenses. In connection with the offering, we engaged Roth Capital Partners, LLC, or Roth, to serve as placement agent. Pursuant to the terms of the offering, we agreed to pay seven percent of the gross proceeds received by us, or approximately \$0.1 million, plus a non-accountable expense to our Chairman, Joshua A. Kazam, our former President and Chief Executive Officer and a director, Daron Evans, our Chief Financial Officer and a director, and a VP of Clinical Development, participated in the offering on the same terms as the unaffiliated purchasers, and collected \$110,000. The offering resulted in the purchase of 206,250 shares of common stock for an aggregate purchase price of \$110,000.

The offer and sale of the shares and warrants was made pursuant to our shelf registration statement on Form S-3 (S-3) filed with the SEC on August 11, 2010. Pursuant to the subscription agreements that we entered into with the purchasers in the April 2012 financing, we filed an Additional Registration Statement covering the issuance of the shares of our common stock upon exercise of the warrants (the “Additional Registration Statement”), and to cause such registration statement to be declared effective within 90 days following the filing of the Additional Registration Statement. The Additional Registration Statement was not declared effective by the SEC within such 90-day period, we agreed to pay liquidated damages to the purchasers in an amount equal to the investment amount for each 30-day period until the Additional Registration Statement is declared effective, subject to a maximum of \$100,000 per investor. The Additional Registration Statement was filed on April 25, 2012 and was declared effective on May 1, 2012.

License Agreement Commitments

Cenderitide License Agreement

Pursuant to our license agreement with the Mayo Foundation for Medical Education and Research (“Mayo”) for cenderitide, we are required to make certain payments to Mayo upon the dosing of the first patient in a Phase 2 trial. Subsequent milestones achieved will require us to make certain payments to Mayo. The total amount of contingent cash payments up to an aggregate of \$31.9 million upon successful completion of specified clinical and commercial milestones. The amount is subject to increase upon the receipt of regulatory approval for each additional indication of cenderitide as a drug or as a combination product. The amount is also subject to increase upon the receipt of regulatory approval for each additional indication of cenderitide as intellectual property.

The cenderitide license agreement, unless earlier terminated, will continue in full force and effect until January 20, 2026. If the agreement is terminated, issued with an expiration date beyond January 20, 2026, the term of the agreement will continue until such expiration date, unless terminated by a material breach of the agreement that remains uncured after 90 days’ written notice to us, (ii) our insolvency or bankruptcy, or (iii) the expiration of the patents in any manner. We may terminate the agreement without cause upon 90 days’ written notice.

As of June 30, 2013, we were not in compliance with several terms of the cenderitide license agreement, including the requirement to pay a maintenance fee and actively pursue the development of cenderitide. We are in discussions with the Mayo Foundation for Medical Education and Research to be able to reach an agreement with Mayo that allows us to maintain our rights to cenderitide. See “Item 1A. Risk Factors” for more information.

license agreements with the Mayo Foundation. If we are unable to renegotiate these agreements, then we will lose o

CU-NP License Agreement

On June 13, 2008, we entered into a second license agreement with Mayo pursuant to which we acquired the rights a worldwide, exclusive license for the rights to commercially develop CU-NP for all therapeutic indications. We al arose out of the laboratory of Dr. John Burnett and Dr. Candace Lee, the inventors of CU-NP and employees of the

Under the terms of the CU-NP license agreement, we made an up-front cash payment to Mayo and agreed to make million upon achievement of specific clinical and regulatory milestones relating to CU-NP, including a milestone p clinical trial of the licensed product. This aggregate amount of \$24.3 million is subject to increase upon the receipt well as for additional compounds or analogues contained in the intellectual property. Pursuant to the agreement, we of net sales of licensed products.

The CU-NP License Agreement, unless earlier terminated, will continue in full force and effect until June 13, 2028, with an expiration date beyond June 13, 2028, the term of the agreement will continue until such expiration date. M of the agreement that remains uncured after 90 days' written notice to us, (ii) our insolvency or bankruptcy, (iii) if any manner, or (iv) or upon receipt of notice from us that we have terminated all development efforts under the agr days' written notice.

As of June 30, 2013, we were not in compliance with several terms of the CU-NP license agreement, including, bu maintenance fee and actively pursue the development of CU-NP. We are in discussions with the Mayo Foundation be able to reach an agreement with Mayo that allows us to maintain our rights to cenderitide. See "Item 1A. Risk F license agreements with the Mayo Foundation. If we are unable to renegotiate these agreements, then we will lose o

Collaboration Agreement

In February 2011, we entered into a Clinical Trial Funding Agreement with Medtronic, Inc. Pursuant to the agreem us to conduct a Phase 1 clinical trial to assess the pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics of cenderitide when de infusion using Medtronic's diabetes pump technology.

Under the agreement, we agreed not to enter into an agreement with a third party to develop or commercialize cend agreement until the earlier of: (i) three months following delivery to Medtronic of a final database with respect to th The final database was delivered to Medtronic on November 19, 2011.

The agreement also provided that intellectual property conceived in or otherwise resulting from the performance of Medtronic (the "Joint Intellectual Property"), and that we shall pay royalties to Medtronic based on the net sales of claimed in one or more issued patents constituting Joint Intellectual Property. The agreement further provided that agreement with respect to cenderitide, then each party shall have a right of first negotiation to license exclusive righ patent applications are considered Joint Intellectual Property.

Pursuant to its terms, the agreement expired in February 2012, following the completion of the Phase 1 clinical tria received the final reimbursement of \$195,500 in February 2012 and a total of \$1,550,000 over the life of the agreem Condensed Statement of Operations.

Merger Agreement with Capricor, Inc.

On July 7, 2013, the Company entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger and Reorganization (the "Merger Agreement") with Capricor, a company incorporated in Delaware, and Bovet Merger Corp., a Delaware corporation and a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company. Pursuant to certain conditions contained in the Merger Agreement, Bovet Merger Corp. will merge with and into Capricor and Capricor will become a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company. Upon completion of the Merger, each outstanding share of Capricor common stock, and each security convertible into Capricor common stock, will receive a number of shares of the Company's common stock, or, as applicable, securities convertible into the Company's common stock. The holders of Capricor capital stock immediately prior to the Merger will hold, in the aggregate, 90% of the total number of shares of the Company on a per share basis. Capricor is a company whose mission is to improve the treatment of heart disease by commercializing cardiac technologies.

The Merger Agreement contains customary representations and warranties by the Company and Capricor with respect to the Merger Agreement. Closing of the Merger is conditioned on, among other things, accuracy of such representations and warranties, the number of Capricor's stockholders, conversion of each share of Capricor preferred stock into Capricor common stock, the Company's Certificate of Incorporation authorizing a reverse split of the Company's common stock at a ratio not to exceed 1-for-10, the Company amending its technology license agreement with the Mayo Foundation and evidence of payment or performance of the obligations of the Company (with the exception of obligations not to exceed the aggregate amount of \$72,000, which are the obligations of the Merger). The Merger Agreement may be terminated for certain reasons, including by either party if the closing of the Merger does not occur. The Agreement also contains other customary terms and provisions as are common in similar agreements.

Off -Balance Sheet Arrangements

There were no off-balance sheet arrangements as of June 30, 2013.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

Our financial statements are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The preparation of these financial statements requires the use of estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues, expenses and related disclosures. We estimate the following items: including research and development and clinical trial accruals, and stock-based compensation estimates. Our estimates are based on assumptions that we believe to be reasonable under the circumstances. Our actual results could differ from these estimates. The following table reflects the more significant judgments and estimates used in the preparation of our financial statements and accompanying notes.

Collaboration Income

In February 2011, we entered into a collaboration agreement whereby we were reimbursed for work performed on certain milestones. We recorded all of these expenses as research and development expenses and the reimbursements upon completion of the milestones.

We recognize milestone payments as income upon achievement of the milestone only if (1) the milestone payment is received, (2) the milestone is achieved, (3) the amount of the milestone is reasonable in relation to the effort expended or the risk associated with the milestone for both parties. If any of these conditions are not met, we defer the milestone payment and recognize it as income when the milestone is achieved. We recognize milestone payments as income upon completion of our performance obligations.

Research and Development Expenses and Accruals

R&D expenses consist primarily of salaries and related personnel costs, fees paid to consultants and outside service providers for clinical development, legal expenses resulting from intellectual property prosecution, contractual review, and other expenses incurred in the development of our product candidates. Except for capitalized patent expenses, R&D costs are expensed as incurred. Amounts due to or from third parties may include upfront payments, monthly payments, and payments upon the completion of milestones or receipt of regulatory approvals.

Our cost accruals for clinical trials and other R&D activities are based on estimates of the services received and efforts expended by clinical trial centers and CROs, clinical study sites, laboratories, consultants, or other clinical trial vendors that perform the activities. Payments may be made for a fixed amount, a variable amount based on actual costs incurred, capped at a certain limit, or for a combination of the two. We maintain regular communication with the CROs and other clinical trial vendors, including detailed invoice and task completion reviews. Payments are made for work performed against approved contract budgets and payment schedules, and recognition of any changes in scope. Clinical trial vendors provide an estimate of costs incurred but not invoiced at the end of each quarter for each individual clinical trial or vendor as necessary, and are included in R&D expenses for the related period. For clinical study sites, which are performing the clinical study, we accrue an estimated amount based on subject screening and enrollment in each quarter, which are subsequently invoiced, which may occur several months after the related services were performed.

In the normal course of business we contract with third parties to perform various R&D activities in the on-going development of our products. These agreements are subject to negotiation and vary from contract to contract and may result in uneven payment flows. Payments are made upon achievement of certain events, the successful enrollment of patients, and the completion of portions of the clinical trial. We adjust our accruals to match the recording of expenses in our financial statements to the actual services received and efforts expended. As a result, R&D activities are recognized based on our estimate of the degree of completion of the event or events specified in the sponsor agreement.

No adjustments for material changes in estimates have been recognized in any period presented.

Stock-Based Compensation

Our results include non-cash compensation expense as a result of the issuance of stock, stock options and warrants, and Scientific Advisory Board members under our Amended and Restated 2005 Stock Option Plan.

We expense the fair value of stock-based compensation over the vesting period. When more precise pricing data is not available, we use the Black-Scholes option-pricing model. This valuation model requires us to make assumptions and judgments about the inputs to the model. Our assumptions include the weighted-average period of time that the options granted are expected to be outstanding, the expected volatility of our stock price, and the estimated rate of forfeitures of unvested stock options.

Stock options or other equity instruments to non-employees (including consultants and all members of our Scientific Advisory Board) received by us are accounted for based on the fair value of the equity instruments issued (unless the fair value of the instruments is determined using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model and is periodically remeasured). Compensation to non-employees is recorded as expense over the applicable service periods.

The terms and vesting schedules for share-based awards vary by type of grant and the employment status of the grantee. Some awards have performance-based conditions. Performance-based conditions generally include the attainment of goals related to operating performance. Compensation expense is included in the respective categories of expense in the Statements of Operations. We expect that the amount of future expense, which may be significant.

Warrant Liability

We account for the warrants issued in connection with the April 2012 financing and the embedded derivative warrants in accordance with the guidance on Accounting for Certain Financial Instruments with Characteristics of both Liabilities and Equity, which requires us to measure the fair value and adjust the instrument to fair value at each reporting period. This liability is subject to re-measurement at each reporting period. The fair value is recognized as a component of other income or expense. The fair value of warrants issued in connection with the April 2012 financing was determined using a binomial options pricing model. The binomial option pricing model is a generally accepted valuation model that requires us to develop a reasonable estimate of the range of our future expected stock prices, and their resulting probabilistic values. The fair value of the warrants contained in the 2013 Notes was estimated by management using Black-Scholes option-pricing model.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.

Our exposure to market risk for changes in interest rates relates primarily to our cash and cash equivalents. The goal is to invest in high credit quality securities and limit the amount of credit exposure to any one issuer. We seek to improve the safety and liquidity of our investment portfolio and limit our exposure to interest rate risk and market risk. Our policy is to mitigate default risk by investing in high credit quality securities and currently, as we primarily make investments with short-term maturities, we do not believe that an increase in market rates would have any material impact on our financial position.

As of June 30, 2013, our portfolio consisted primarily of bank savings and checking accounts and we did not have any exposure to mortgage market issues. Based on our investment portfolio and interest rates at June 30, 2013, we believe that a decrease in interest rates would not have a material impact on the fair value of our cash and cash equivalents of approximately \$0.2 million.

Item 4. 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 and Exchange Commission's rules and regulations is summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and regulations. Our disclosure controls and procedures are designed to provide reasonable assurance to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow for the timely and accurate disclosure of material information. In evaluating the disclosure controls and procedures, management recognizes that any controls and procedures, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable assurance of achieving the desired control objectives, and management is required to apply its judgment in evaluating the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures.

As required by Commission Rule 13a-15(b), we carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this report. In light of the foregoing, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that, as of such date, our disclosure controls and procedures were effective at the reasonable assurance level.

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

PART II — OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings.

We are not a party to any material pending legal proceedings.

Item 1A. Risk Factors.

An investment in our common stock involves significant risk. You should carefully consider the information described appearing elsewhere in this report, before making an investment decision regarding our common stock. You should refer to our Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012 (“2012 Annual Report”), and in our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2013, and in our previous reports entitled “Item 1A. Risk Factors.” If any of the risks described below or in such prior reports actually occur, our future growth prospects would likely be materially and adversely affected. In these circumstances, the market price of our common stock may decline. Moreover, the risks described below and in our prior reports are not the only risks that we currently deem immaterial may also affect our business, operating results, prospects or financial condition.

Our ability to continue as a going concern is substantially, if not entirely, dependent on our ability to complete our merger with Capricor.

We do not have the capital resources available to continue the development of our product development programs and we have sought either additional financing to fund such activities or a collaboration or other strategic agreement with a third party to fund the further development of our product candidates. Prior to our entry into the Capricor merger agreement, we have been unable to complete the merger with Capricor is subject to several conditions, including the approval of our stockholders of a reverse split of our common stock. If these conditions are not satisfied, we may be unable to complete the planned merger. In that case, we would be forced to discontinue our investment in our common stock.

Capricor’s technology is not yet proven, and Capricor is still in an early stage of its product development.

Capricor has not completed the development of any products and may not have products to sell commercially for many years. It may require additional research and development time and expense, as well as extensive clinical trials and perhaps additional product approvals, before any products can be developed and sold. There can be no assurance that products will be developed successfully, perform in the manner anticipated, or

Capricor has a limited operating history, and has experienced losses.

Capricor has a limited operating history and it expects a number of factors to cause its operating results to fluctuate and to prevent it from accurately predicting its future performance. Capricor's operations to date have been primarily limited to organizing and staffing pre-clinical studies and clinical trials of its product candidates. Capricor has not yet obtained regulatory approvals for any of its product candidates. Capricor's future success or viability may not be as accurate as they could be if it had a longer operating history. Capricor's operating results have varied significantly in the past and will continue to fluctuate from quarter-to-quarter and year-to-year in the future. Capricor has a history of net losses, expects to continue to incur substantial and increasing net losses for the foreseeable future.

Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Securities and Use of Proceeds.

Not applicable.

Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities.

Not applicable.

Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures.

Not applicable.

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Item 5. Other Information.

Warrant Exchange Agreements

On August 1, 2013, the Company entered into warrant exchange agreements with each holder of the warrants to purchase shares of common stock that were issued in connection with the Company's June 2011 private placement. Pursuant to such agreements, each such holder agreed to exchange all of the warrants held by such holder for each warrant share purchasable under the warrants held by such holder. The Company issued total number of 43,000 exchange agreements. As a result, all of the warrants issued in connection with the 2011 private placement have been exchanged. The exchange of such warrants was not registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") upon the exemption from federal registration under Section 4(2) of the Securities Act and/or Rule 506 promulgated thereunder. The exchange of such shares did not involve a public offering, as each purchaser of such securities was an "accredited investor" as defined in Rule 501 of Regulation D.

Termination of Options under 2005 Stock Option Plan

In August 2013, the holders of options to purchase, at exercise prices ranging from \$0.301 to \$4.50 per share, an amount of common stock pursuant to the Company's 2005 Stock Option Plan, as amended, agreed to terminate all of their rights in such stock in connection with the Company's planned merger with Capricor. Such holders, all of whom are directors or officers of the Company, did not receive any consideration for the termination of their options.

Item 6. Exhibits.

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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 by its duly authorized officer.

NILE THERAPEUTICS, INC.

Date: August 14, 2013 By: /s/ Darlene Horton, M.D.
Darlene Horton, M.D.
Chief Executive Officer
(Principal Executive Officer)

Date: August 14, 2013 By: /s/ Daron Evans
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Chief Financial Officer
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