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

(Mark One)

b	QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES
r	EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the <b>c</b>	quarterly period ended <u>March 31, 2007</u>
	OR
o	TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15 (d) OF THE SECURITIES
	EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the t	ransition period from to
	Commission File Number 0-19034

**REGENERON PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.** (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New York 13-3444607

(State or other jurisdiction of (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

incorporation or organization)

777 Old Saw Mill River Road
Tarrytown, New York

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(914) 347-7000

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

10591-6707

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 b No o

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.

Large accelerated filer o Accelerated filer b Non-accelerated filer o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

Yes o No b

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer s classes of common stock as of April 30, 2007:

Class of Common Stock

Class A Stock, \$0.001 par value

Common Stock, \$0.001 par value

63,688,790

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### PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

REGENERON PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS AT MARCH 31, 2007 AND DECEMBER 31, 2006 (Unaudited)

(In thousands, except share data)

ACCENTAG	March 31, 2007	December 31, 2006
ASSETS		
Current assets Cash and cash equivalents Marketable securities Accounts receivable Prepaid expenses and other current assets	\$ 156,484 295,910 33,632 3,137	\$ 237,876 221,400 7,493 3,215
Total current assets	489,163	469,984
Restricted cash Marketable securities Property, plant, and equipment, at cost, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization	1,600 60,981 47,781	1,600 61,983 49,353
Other assets	1,906	2,170
Total assets	\$ 601,431	\$ 585,090
LIABILITIES and STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY Current liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses Deferred revenue, current portion	\$ 20,081 63,523	\$ 21,471 23,543
Total current liabilities	83,604	45,014
Deferred revenue Notes payable	121,138 200,000	123,452 200,000
Total liabilities	404,742	368,466
Commitments and contingencies		
Stockholders equity Preferred stock, \$.01 par value; 30,000,000 shares authorized; issued and outstanding-none Class A Stock, convertible, \$.001 par value; 40,000,000 shares authorized;		
shares issued and outstanding - 2,270,353 in 2007 and 2006	2 63	2 63

Common Stock, \$.001 par value; 160,000,000 shares authorized; shares issued and outstanding - 63,395,134 in 2007 and 63,130,962 in 2006 Additional paid-in capital 904,407 914,317 Accumulated deficit (717,534)(687,617)Accumulated other comprehensive loss (159)(231)Total stockholders equity 196,689 216,624 \$ 601,431 \$ Total liabilities and stockholders equity 585,090

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

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## REGENERON PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (Unaudited)

(In thousands, except per share data)

		hs ended March 31,			
	2007	2006			
Revenues Contract research and development Contract manufacturing	\$ 13,645	\$ 14,587 3,632			
Technology licensing	2,143	-,			
	15,788	18,219			
Expenses					
Research and development Contract manufacturing	41,235	32,084 1,852			
General and administrative	8,202	5,946			
	49,437	39,882			
Loss from operations	(33,649)	(21,663)			
Other income (expense)					
Investment income	6,743	3,481			
Interest expense	(3,011)	(3,011)			
	3,732	470			
Net loss before cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle Cumulative effect of adopting Statement of Financial Accounting Standards	(29,917)	(21,193)			
No. 123R ( SFAS 123R )		813			
Net loss	\$ (29,917)	\$ (20,380)			
Net loss per share amounts, basic and diluted:					
Net loss before cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle Cumulative effect of adopting SFAS 123R	\$ (0.46)	\$ (0.37) 0.01			
Net loss	\$ (0.46)	\$ (0.36)			
Weighted average shares outstanding, basic and diluted	65,563	56,727			
The accompanying notes are an integral part of the finance	cial statements.				

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# REGENERON PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. CONDENSED STATEMENT OF STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY (Unaudited) For the three months ended March 31, 2007 (In thousands)

	Clas	s A		Com	mon	Additional		ccumulated Other	Total		
	Sto	ck	ount	Sto	ck	Paid-in nt Capital	Accumulat@b	mprehensi <b>s</b> t Loss	cockholder Equity	Com	prehensive Loss
Balance, December 31, 2006 Issuance of Common Stock in connection	2,270					\$ 904,407	\$ (687,617)	\$ (231) \$	\$ 216,624		
with exercise of stock options, net of shares tendered Issuance of Common Stock in connection				199		1,958			1,958		
with Company 401(k) Savings Plan contribution Stock-based				65		1,367			1,367		
compensation expense Net loss Change in net unrealized loss on marketable						6,585	(29,917)	70	6,585 (29,917)	\$	(29,917)
Balance, March 31, 2007	2,270		2				\$ (717,534)		72 \$ 196,689	\$	72 (29,845)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

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## REGENERON PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Unaudited) (In thousands)

	Three months ended March 31,			l March
		2007	,	2006
Cash flows from operating activities Net loss	\$	(29,917)	\$	(20,380)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash (used in) provided by operating activities				
Depreciation and amortization		2,855		3,798
Non-cash compensation expense		6,585		4,079
Cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle Changes in assets and liabilities				(813)
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable		(26,139)		25,511
(Increase) decrease in prepaid expenses and other assets		(440)		1,023
Increase in inventory				(92)
Increase (decrease) in deferred revenue		37,666		(4,779)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable, accrued expenses, and other liabilities		152		(3,069)
Total adjustments		20,679		25,658
Net cash (used in) provided by operating activities		(9,238)		5,278
Cash flows from investing activities				
Purchases of marketable securities		(186,177)		(74,541)
Sales or maturities of marketable securities		113,262		64,317
Capital expenditures		(1,197)		(646)
Net cash used in investing activities		(74,112)		(10,870)
Cook flows from financing activities				
Cash flows from financing activities  Net proceeds from the issuance of Common Stock		1,958		3,416
The proceeds from the issuance of Common Stock		1,750		3,110
Net cash provided by financing activities		1,958		3,416
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents		(81,392)		(2,176)
		227.054		104.500
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period		237,876		184,508
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$	156,484	\$	182,332

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

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#### REGENERON PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

**Notes to Condensed Financial Statements (Unaudited)** 

(Unless otherwise noted, dollars in thousands, except per share data)

#### 1. Interim Financial Statements

The interim Condensed Financial Statements of Regeneron Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (Regeneron or the Company) have been prepared in accordance with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all information and disclosures necessary for a presentation of the Company's financial position, results of operations, and cash flows in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. In the opinion of management, these financial statements reflect all adjustments, consisting only of normal recurring accruals, necessary for a fair presentation of the Company's financial position, results of operations, and cash flows for such periods. The results of operations for any interim periods are not necessarily indicative of the results for the full year. The December 31, 2006 Condensed Balance Sheet data were derived from audited financial statements, but do not include all disclosures required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and notes thereto contained in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2006.

#### 2. Per Share Data

The Company s basic and diluted net loss per share amounts have been computed by dividing net loss by the weighted average number of shares of Common Stock and Class A Stock outstanding. For the three months ended March 31, 2007 and 2006, the Company reported net losses; therefore, no common stock equivalents were included in the computation of diluted net loss per share for these periods, since such inclusion would have been antidilutive. The calculations of basic and diluted net loss per share are as follows:

	Three Months Ended March		
Not loss (Numerotor)	2007	2006	
Net loss (Numerator)	\$(29,917)	\$(20,380)	
Weighted-average shares, in thousands (Denominator)	65,563	56,727	
Basic and diluted net loss per share	\$ (0.46)	\$ (0.36)	

Shares issuable upon the exercise of stock options, vesting of restricted stock awards, and conversion of convertible debt, which have been excluded from the March 31, 2007 and 2006 diluted per share amounts because their effect would have been antidilutive, include the following:

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	Three months ended Ma		
Stock Options:	2007	2006	
Weighted average number, in thousands	15,549	14,401	
Weighted average exercise price	\$ 15.65	\$ 14.27	
Restricted Stock:			
Weighted average number, in thousands		54	
Convertible Debt:			
Weighted average number, in thousands	6,611	6,611	
Conversion price	\$ 30.25	\$ 30.25	

#### 3. Statement of Cash Flows

Supplemental disclosure of noncash investing and financing activities:

Included in accounts payable and accrued expenses at March 31, 2007 and December 31, 2006 are \$580 and \$755, respectively, of accrued capital expenditures. Included in accounts payable and accrued expenses at March 31, 2006 and December 31, 2005 are \$233 and \$234, respectively, of accrued capital expenditures.

Included in accounts payable and accrued expenses at December 31, 2006 and 2005 are \$1,367 and \$1,884, respectively, of accrued Company 401(k) Savings Plan contribution expense. In the first quarter of 2007 and 2006, the Company contributed 64,532 and 120,960 shares, respectively, of Common Stock to the 401(k) Savings Plan in satisfaction of these obligations.

Included in marketable securities at March 31, 2007 and December 31, 2006 are \$2,054 and \$1,532, respectively, of accrued interest income. Included in marketable securities at March 31, 2006 and December 31, 2005 are \$656 and \$1,228, respectively, of accrued interest income.

#### 4. Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable as of March 31, 2007 and December 31, 2006 consist of the following:

	March 200	*	December 31, 2006
Receivable from the sanofi-aventis Group Receivable from Bayer HealthCare LLC Receivable from Astellas Pharma Inc.	3.	,676 \$ ,070 ,000	6,900
Other		886	593
	\$ 33.	,632 \$	7,493

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#### 5. Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses

Accounts payable and accrued expenses as of March 31, 2007 and December 31, 2006 consist of the following:

			De	ecember
	M	arch 31,		31,
		2007		2006
Accounts payable	\$	4,805	\$	4,349
Accrued payroll and related costs		5,332		9,932
Accrued clinical trial expense		2,673		2,606
Accrued expenses, other		2,229		2,292
Interest payable on convertible notes		5,042		2,292
	\$	20.081	\$	21.471

#### 6. Comprehensive Loss

Comprehensive loss represents the change in net assets of a business enterprise during a period from transactions and other events and circumstances from non-owner sources. Comprehensive loss of the Company includes net loss adjusted for the change in net unrealized gain (loss) on marketable securities. The net effect of income taxes on comprehensive loss is immaterial. For the three months ended March 31, 2007 and 2006, the components of comprehensive loss are:

	Three months ended March 31.		
Net loss	2007 \$(29,917)	2006 \$(20,380)	
Change in net unrealized gain (loss) on marketable securities  Total comprehensive loss	72	99	
Total comprehensive loss	\$(29,845)	\$(20,281)	

#### 7. License Agreements

#### AstraZeneca

In February 2007, the Company entered into a non-exclusive license agreement with AstraZeneca UK Limited that will allow AstraZeneca to utilize the Company s VelocImmune technology in its internal research programs to discover human monoclonal antibodies. Under the terms of the agreement, AstraZeneca made a \$20.0 million non-refundable up-front payment to the Company which was deferred and is being recognized as revenue ratably over approximately the first year of the agreement. AstraZeneca also will make up to five additional annual payments of \$20.0 million, subject to its ability to terminate the agreement after making the first three additional payments or earlier if the technology does not meet minimum performance criteria. These additional payments will be recognized as revenue ratably over their

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respective annual license periods. The Company is entitled to receive a mid-single-digit royalty on any future sales of antibody products discovered by AstraZeneca using the Company s VelocImmune technology. In the first quarter of 2007, the Company recognized \$2,143 of revenue in connection with the AstraZeneca license agreement. At March 31, 2007, deferred revenue was \$17,857.

#### Astellas

On March 30, 2007, the Company entered into a non-exclusive license agreement with Astellas Pharma Inc. that will allow Astellas to utilize the Company s VelocImmune technology in its internal research programs to discover human monoclonal antibodies. Under the terms of the agreement, Astellas made a \$20.0 million non-refundable up-front payment to the Company, which was received in April 2007. Astellas also will make up to five additional annual payments of \$20.0 million, subject to its ability to terminate the agreement after making the first three additional payments or earlier if the technology does not meet minimum performance criteria. These additional payments will be recognized as revenue ratably over their respective annual license periods. The Company is entitled to receive a mid-single-digit royalty on any future sales of antibody products discovered by Astellas using the Company s VelocImmune technology. At March 31, 2007, the \$20.0 million up-front payment from Astellas was included in accounts receivable and deferred revenue.

#### 8. Income Taxes

Effective January 1, 2007, the Company adopted the provisions of Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Interpretation No. 48 (FIN 48), *Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes an interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109.* The implementation of FIN 48 had no impact on the Company's financial statements as the Company has no unrecognized tax benefits.

The Company is primarily subject to U.S. federal and New York State income tax. Tax years subsequent to 1991 remain open to examination by U.S. federal and state tax authorities.

The Company s policy is to recognize interest and penalties related to income tax matters in income tax expense. As of January 1 and March 31, 2007, the Company had no accruals for interest or penalties related to income tax matters.

#### 9. Segment Information

Through 2006, the Company s operations were managed in two business segments: research and development, and contract manufacturing. Due to the expiration of the Company s manufacturing agreement with Merck & Co., Inc. in October 2006, beginning in 2007, the Company only has a research and development business segment.

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Research and development: Includes all activities related to the discovery of pharmaceutical products for the treatment of serious medical conditions, and the development and commercialization of these discoveries. Also includes revenues and expenses related to activities conducted under contract research and technology licensing agreements.

Contract manufacturing: Includes all revenues and expenses related to the commercial production of products under contract manufacturing arrangements. During 2006, the Company produced a vaccine intermediate for Merck under the Merck Agreement, which expired in October 2006.

The table below presents information about reported segments for the three months ended March 31, 2007 and 2006.

	Three months ended March 31, 2007			
	Research & Reconciling			
	Development	Items	Total	
Revenues	\$ 15,788		\$ 15,788	
Depreciation and amortization	2,594	261	2,855	
Non-cash compensation expense	6,585		6,585	
Interest expense		3,011	3,011	
Net (loss) income	(33,649)	$3,732_{(1)}$	(29,917)	
Capital expenditures	1,022		1,022	
Total assets	81,413	520,018(2)	601,431	

	Three months ended March 31, 2006				
	Research &	Contract	Reconciling		
	Development	Manufacturing	Items	Total	
Revenues	\$ 14,587	\$ 3,632		\$ 18,219	
Depreciation and amortization	3,537	(3)	\$ 261	3,798	
Non-cash compensation expense	3,984	95	$(813)^{(4)}$	3,266	
Interest expense			3,011	3,011	
Net (loss) income	(23,443)	1,780	1,283(1)	(20,380)	
Capital expenditures	645			645	
Total assets	67,159	4,526	330,404(2)	402,089	

investment
income, net of
interest expense
related primarily
to convertible
notes issued in
October 2001.
For the three
months ended
March 31, 2006,
also includes the
cumulative
effect of

adopting Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. (SFAS) 123R, Share-Based Payment.

- (2) Includes cash and cash equivalents, marketable securities, restricted cash (where applicable), prepaid expenses and other current assets, and other assets.
- (3) Depreciation and amortization related to contract manufacturing was capitalized into inventory and included in contract manufacturing expense when the product was shipped.
- (4) Represents the cumulative effect of adopting SFAS 123R.

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#### 10. Legal Matters

From time to time, the Company is a party to legal proceedings in the course of the Company s business. The Company does not expect any such current legal proceedings to have a material adverse effect on the Company s business or financial condition.

#### 11. Future Impact of Recently Issued Accounting Standards

In February 2007, the FASB issued SFAS 159, *The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities*. SFAS 159 permits entities to choose to measure many financial instruments and certain other items at fair value. The objective is to improve financial reporting by providing entities with the opportunity to mitigate volatility in reported earnings caused by measuring related assets and liabilities differently without having to apply complex hedge accounting provisions. SFAS 159 is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007. The Company will be required to adopt SFAS 159 effective for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2008. Management is currently evaluating the potential impact of adopting SFAS 159 on the Company s financial statements.

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

The discussion below contains forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties relating to future events and the future financial performance of Regeneron Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and actual events or results may differ materially. These statements concern, among other things, the possible success and therapeutic applications of our product candidates and research programs, the timing and nature of the clinical and research programs now underway or planned, and the future sources and uses of capital and our financial needs. These statements are made by us based on management s current beliefs and judgment. In evaluating such statements, stockholders and potential investors should specifically consider the various factors identified under the caption Risk Factors which could cause actual results to differ materially from those indicated by such forward-looking statements. We do not undertake any obligation to update publicly any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise, except as required by law.

#### Overview

Regeneron Pharmaceuticals, Inc. is a biopharmaceutical company that discovers, develops, and intends to commercialize pharmaceutical products for the treatment of serious medical conditions. We are currently focused on three development programs: IL-1 Trap (rilonacept) in various inflammatory indications, the VEGF Trap in oncology, and the VEGF Trap-Eye formulation in eye diseases using intraocular delivery. The VEGF Trap is being developed in oncology in collaboration with the sanofi-aventis Group. In October 2006, we entered into a collaboration with Bayer HealthCare LLC for the development of the VEGF Trap-Eye. Our preclinical research programs are in the areas of oncology and angiogenesis, ophthalmology, metabolic and related diseases, muscle diseases and disorders, inflammation and immune diseases, bone and cartilage, pain, and cardiovascular diseases. We expect that our next generation of product candidates will be based on our proprietary technologies for developing human monoclonal antibodies. Developing and commercializing new medicines entails significant risk and expense. Since inception we have not generated any sales or profits from the commercialization of any of our product candidates.

Our core business strategy is to maintain a strong foundation in basic scientific research and discovery-enabling technology and combine that foundation with our manufacturing and clinical development capabilities to build a successful, integrated biopharmaceutical company. We believe that our ability to develop product candidates is enhanced by the application of our technology platforms. Our discovery platforms are designed to identify specific genes of therapeutic interest for a particular disease or cell type and validate targets through high-throughput production of mammalian models. Our human monoclonal antibody technology (VelocImmune®) and cell line expression technologies may then be utilized to design and produce new product candidates directed against the disease target. Based on the VelocImmune platform which we believe, in conjunction with our other proprietary technologies, can accelerate the development of fully human monoclonal antibodies, we plan to move our first new antibody product candidate into clinical trials in the fourth quarter of 2007. We plan to introduce two new antibody product candidates into clinical development each year. We continue to invest in the

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development of enabling technologies to assist in our efforts to identify, develop, and commercialize new product candidates.

#### **Clinical Programs:**

Below is a summary of the clinical status of our clinical candidates as of March 31, 2007:

#### 1. IL-1 Trap Inflammatory Diseases

The IL-1 Trap (rilonacept) is a protein-based product candidate designed to bind the interleukin-1 (called IL-1) cytokine and prevent its interaction with cell surface receptors. We are evaluating the IL-1 Trap in a number of diseases and disorders where IL-1 may play an important role, including a spectrum of rare diseases called Cryopyrin-Associated Periodic Syndromes (CAPS) and other diseases associated with inflammation.

We recently completed the 24-week open-label safety extension phase of the Phase 3 clinical program in CAPS and are completing the trial analysis. We are preparing to submit a Biologics License Application (BLA) to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) in the second quarter of 2007. The FDA has granted Orphan Drug status and Fast Track designation to the IL-1 Trap for the treatment of CAPS.

In October 2006, we announced positive data from this Phase 3 trial, which was designed to provide two separate demonstrations of efficacy for the IL-1 Trap within a single group of adult patients suffering from CAPS. This Phase 3 trial included two studies (Part A and Part B). Both studies met their primary endpoints (Part A: p < 0.0001 and Part B: p < 0.001). The primary endpoint of both studies was the change in disease activity, which was measured using a composite symptom score composed of a daily evaluation of fever/chills, rash, fatigue, joint pain, and eye redness/pain.

The first study (Part A) was a double-blind and placebo-controlled 6-week trial, in which patients randomized to receive the IL-1 Trap had an approximately 85% reduction in their mean symptom score compared to an approximately 13% reduction in patients treated with placebo (p<0.0001). Following a 9-week interval during which all patients received the IL-1 Trap, a randomized withdrawal study (Part B) was performed, in which the patients in Part A were re-randomized to either switch to placebo or continue treatment with the IL-1 Trap in a double-blind manner. During the 9-week randomized withdrawal period, patients who were switched to placebo had a five-fold increase in their mean symptom score, compared with those remaining on the IL-1 Trap who had no significant change (p<0.001). Both the Part A and Part B studies achieved statistical significance in all of their pre-specified secondary and exploratory endpoints.

Preliminary analysis of the safety data from both studies indicated that there were no drug-related serious adverse events. Injection site reactions and upper respiratory tract infections, all mild to moderate in nature, occurred more frequently in patients while on the IL-1 Trap than on placebo. In these studies, the IL-1 Trap appeared to be well tolerated; 46 of 47 randomized patients completed the Part A study, and 44 of 45 randomized patients completed the Part B study.

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CAPS is a spectrum of rare inherited inflammatory conditions, including Familial Cold Autoinflammatory Syndrome (FCAS), Muckle-Wells Syndrome (MWS), and Neonatal Onset Multisystem Inflammatory Disease (NOMID). These syndromes are characterized by spontaneous systemic inflammation and are termed autoinflammatory disorders. A novel feature of these conditions (particularly FCAS and MWS) is that exposure to mild degrees of cold temperature can provoke a major inflammatory episode that occurs within hours. CAPS are caused by a range of mutations in the gene *CIAS1* (also known as NALP3) which encodes a protein named cryopyrin. Currently, there are no medicines approved for the treatment of CAPS.

We are also evaluating the potential use of the IL-1 Trap in other indications in which IL-1 may play a role. Based on preclinical evidence that IL-1 appears to play a critical role in gout, we initiated a proof of concept study of the IL-1 Trap in gout in the first quarter of 2007. We are also preparing to initiate exploratory proof of concept studies of the IL-1 Trap in other indications.

Under a March 2003 collaboration agreement with Novartis Pharma AG, we retain the right to elect to collaborate in the future development and commercialization of a Novartis IL-1 antibody, which is in clinical development. Following completion of Phase 2 development and submission to us of a written report on the Novartis IL-1 antibody, we have the right, in consideration for an opt-in payment, to elect to co-develop and co-commercialize the Novartis IL-1 antibody in North America. If we elect to exercise this right, we are responsible for paying 45% of post-election North American development costs for the antibody product. In return, we are entitled to co-promote the Novartis IL-1 antibody and to receive 45% of net profits on sales of the antibody product in North America. Under certain circumstances, we are also entitled to receive royalties on sales of the Novartis IL-1 antibody in Europe.

In addition, under the collaboration agreement, Novartis has the right to elect to collaborate in the development and commercialization of a second generation IL-1 Trap following completion of its Phase 2 development, should we decide to clinically develop such a second generation product candidate. Novartis does not have any rights or options with respect to our IL-1 Trap currently in clinical development.

#### 2. VEGF Trap Oncology

The VEGF Trap is a protein-based product candidate designed to bind all forms of Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor-A (called VEGF-A, also known as Vascular Permeability Factor or VPF) and the related Placental Growth Factor (called PlGF), and prevent their interaction with cell surface receptors. VEGF-A (and to a less validated degree, PlGF) is required for the growth of new blood vessels that are needed for tumors to grow and is a potent regulator of vascular permeability and leakage.

The VEGF Trap is being developed in cancer indications in collaboration with sanofi-aventis. Currently, the collaboration is conducting Phase 2 studies, with patient enrollment underway in advanced ovarian cancer (AOC), non-small cell lung adenocarcinoma (NSCLA), and AOC patients with symptomatic malignant ascites (SMA). In 2004, the FDA granted Fast Track designation to the VEGF Trap for the treatment of SMA. Sanofi-aventis reported in February

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2007 that a registration filing is possible for the VEGF Trap in at least one of these single-agent indications in 2008. In addition, six new Phase 2 single-agent studies have begun in conjunction with the National Cancer Institute (NCI) Cancer Therapy Evaluation Program (CTEP) in relapsed/refractory multiple myeloma, metastatic colorectal cancer, recurrent or metastatic cancer of the urothelium, locally advanced or metastatic gynecological soft tissue sarcoma, recurrent malignant gliomas, and metastatic breast cancer. We and sanofi-aventis are working to finalize plans with NCI/CTEP for at least four additional trials in different cancer types.

We and sanofi-aventis intend to initiate five Phase 3 trials evaluating the safety and efficacy of the VEGF Trap in combination with standard chemotherapy regimens in specific cancer types, the first three of which are planned to begin in 2007. The companies plan to initiate these Phase 3 trials in the following indications:

first-line metastatic hormone resistant prostate cancer in combination with Taxotere® (Aventis),

first-line metastatic pancreatic cancer in combination with gemcitabine-based regimen,

first-line gastric cancer in combination with Taxotere® (Aventis),

second-line non-small cell lung cancer in combination with Taxotere® (Aventis), and

second-line metastatic colorectal cancer in combination with FOLFIRI (Folinic Acid (leucovorin), 5-fluorouracil, and irinotecan).

Five safety and tolerability studies of the VEGF Trap in combination with standard chemotherapy regimens are continuing in a variety of cancer types to support the planned Phase 3 clinical program. The companies have previously summarized information from two of these safety and tolerability trials. One study is evaluating the VEGF Trap in combination with oxaliplatin, 5-flourouracil, and leucovorin (FOLFOX4) in a Phase 1 trial of patients with advanced solid tumors. Another study is evaluating the VEGF Trap in combination with irinotecan, 5-fluorouracil, and leucovorin (LV5FU2-CPT11) in a Phase 1 trial of patients with advanced solid tumors. Abstracts published in the 2006 ASCO Annual Meeting Proceedings reported that the VEGF Trap could be safely combined with either FOLFOX4 or LV5FU2-CPT11 at the dose levels studied. The companies are also evaluating the VEGF Trap in separate Phase 1b studies in combination with Taxotere® (Aventis), cisplatin, and 5-fluorouracil; with Taxotere® (Aventis) and cisplatin; and with gemcitabine-erlotinib.

Cancer is a heterogeneous set of diseases and one of the leading causes of death in the developed world. A mutation in any one of dozens of normal genes can eventually result in a cell becoming cancerous; however, a common feature of cancer cells is that they need to obtain nutrients and remove waste products, just as normal cells do. The vascular system normally supplies nutrients to and removes waste from normal tissues. Cancer cells can use the vascular system either by taking over preexisting blood vessels or by promoting the growth of new blood vessels (a process known as angiogenesis). VEGF is secreted by many tumors to stimulate the growth of new blood vessels to supply nutrients and oxygen to the tumor. VEGF blockers have been shown to inhibit new vessel growth; and, in some cases, can cause regression of existing tumor vasculature. Countering the effects of VEGF, thereby blocking the blood supply to tumors, has demonstrated therapeutic benefits in clinical trials. This approach of inhibiting

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angiogenesis as a mechanism of action for an oncology medicine was validated in February 2004, when the FDA approved Genentech, Inc. s VEGF inhibitor, Avastiff. Avastiff. (Genentech) is an antibody product designed to inhibit VEGF and interfere with the blood supply to tumors.

#### Collaboration with the sanofi-aventis Group

In September 2003, we entered into a collaboration agreement with Aventis Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (predecessor to sanofi-aventis U.S.) to collaborate on the development and commercialization of the VEGF Trap in all countries other than Japan, where we retained the exclusive right to develop and commercialize the VEGF Trap. In January 2005, we and sanofi-aventis amended the collaboration agreement to exclude from the scope of the collaboration the development and commercialization of the VEGF Trap for intraocular delivery to the eye. In December 2005, we and sanofi-aventis amended our collaboration agreement to expand the territory in which the companies are collaborating on the development of the VEGF Trap to include Japan. Under the collaboration agreement, as amended, we and sanofi-aventis will share co-promotion rights and profits on sales, if any, of the VEGF Trap outside of Japan for disease indications included in our collaboration. In Japan, we are entitled to a royalty of approximately 35% on annual sales of the VEGF Trap, subject to certain potential adjustments. We may also receive up to \$400.0 million in milestone payments upon receipt of specified marketing approvals. This total includes up to \$360.0 million in milestone payments related to receipt of marketing approvals for up to eight VEGF Trap oncology and other indications in the United States or the European Union. Another \$40.0 million of milestone payments relate to receipt of marketing approvals for up to five VEGF Trap oncology indications in Japan.

Under the collaboration agreement, as amended, agreed upon worldwide development expenses incurred by both companies during the term of the agreement will be funded by sanofi-aventis. If the collaboration becomes profitable, we will be obligated to reimburse sanofi-aventis for 50% of the VEGF Trap development expenses in accordance with a formula based on the amount of development expenses and our share of the collaboration profits and Japan royalties, or at a faster rate at our option.

#### 3. VEGF Trap Eye Diseases

The VEGF Trap-Eye is a form of the VEGF Trap that has been purified and formulated with excipients and at concentrations suitable for direct injection into the eye. The VEGF Trap-Eye currently is being tested in a Phase 2 trial in patients with the neovascular form of age-related macular degeneration (wet AMD) and in a small pilot study in patients with diabetic macular edema (DME).

In the second quarter of 2006, we initiated a 150 patient, 12 week, Phase 2 trial of the VEGF Trap-Eye in wet AMD. The trial is evaluating the safety and biological effect of treatment with multiple doses of the VEGF Trap-Eye using different doses and different dosing regimens. In March 2007, we announced positive preliminary data from a pre-planned interim analysis of this study. The VEGF Trap-Eye met its primary endpoint of a statistically significant reduction in retinal thickness after 12 weeks compared with baseline (all groups combined, decrease of 135 microns, p < 0.0001). Mean change from baseline in visual acuity, a key secondary endpoint of

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the study, also demonstrated statistically significant improvement (all groups combined, increase of 5.9 letters, p < 0.0001). Moreover, patients in the dose groups that received only a single dose, on average, compared to baseline, demonstrated a decrease in excess retinal thickness (p < 0.0001) and an increase in visual acuity (p = 0.012) at 12 weeks. There were no drug-related serious adverse events, and treatment with the VEGF Trap-Eye was generally well-tolerated. The most common adverse events were those typically associated with intravitreal injections. Detailed data from this interim analysis is scheduled for presentation at an upcoming scientific conference. We also expect to complete three-month data on all 150 patients enrolled in the study by the end of 2007. We are also conducting a Phase 1 safety and tolerability trial of a new formulation of the VEGF Trap-Eye in wet AMD. An initial Phase 3 trial of the VEGF Trap-Eye in wet AMD utilizing the new formulation is planned to begin in the third quarter of 2007, and a second Phase 3 trial is planned once the full data from the Phase 2 trial has been analyzed.

Also in the second quarter of 2006, we initiated a small pilot study of the VEGF Trap in patients with DME. We expect to initiate a Phase 2 trial in DME in the second half of 2007.

VEGF-A both stimulates angiogenesis and increases vascular permeability. It has been shown in preclinical studies to be a major pathogenic factor in both wet AMD and diabetic retinopathy, and it is believed to be involved in other medical problems affecting the eyes. In clinical trials, blocking VEGF-A has been shown to be effective in patients with wet AMD, and Macugen® (OSI Pharmaceuticals, Inc.) and Lucentis® (Genentech, Inc.) have been approved to treat patients with this condition.

Wet AMD and diabetic retinopathy (DR) are two of the leading causes of adult blindness in the developed world. In both conditions, severe visual loss is caused by a combination of retinal edema and neovascular proliferation. DR is a major complication of diabetes mellitus that can lead to significant vision impairment. DR is characterized, in part, by vascular leakage, which results in the collection of fluid in the retina. When the macula, the central area of the retina that is responsible for fine visual acuity, is involved, loss of visual acuity occurs. This is referred to as diabetic macular edema (DME). DME is the most prevalent cause of moderate visual loss in patients with diabetes.

#### **Collaboration with Bayer HealthCare**

In October 2006, we entered into a collaboration agreement with Bayer HealthCare for the global development and commercialization outside the United States of the VEGF Trap-Eye. Under the agreement we and Bayer HealthCare will collaborate on, and share the costs of, the development of the VEGF Trap-Eye through an integrated global plan that encompasses wet AMD, diabetic eye diseases, and other diseases and disorders. The companies will share equally in profits from any future sales of the VEGF Trap-Eye outside the United States. If the VEGF Trap-Eye is granted marketing authorization in a major market country outside the United States, we will be obligated to reimburse Bayer HealthCare for 50% of the development costs that it has incurred under the agreement from our share of the collaboration profits. Within the United States, we retained exclusive commercialization rights to the VEGF Trap-Eye and are entitled to all profits from any such sales. We received an up-front payment of \$75.0 million from Bayer HealthCare and can earn up to \$110.0 million in total development and regulatory milestones related to the development of the VEGF Trap-Eye and marketing approvals in major market

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countries outside the United States. We can also earn up to \$135.0 million in sales milestones if total annual sales of the VEGF Trap outside the United States achieve certain specified levels starting at \$200.0 million.

#### General

Developing and commercializing new medicines entails significant risk and expense. Since inception we have not generated any sales or profits from the commercialization of any of our product candidates and may never receive such revenues. Before revenues from the commercialization of our product candidates can be realized, we (or our collaborators) must overcome a number of hurdles which include successfully completing research and development and obtaining regulatory approval from the FDA and regulatory authorities in other countries. In addition, the biotechnology and pharmaceutical industries are rapidly evolving and highly competitive, and new developments may render our products and technologies uncompetitive or obsolete.

From inception on January 8, 1988 through March 31, 2007, we had a cumulative loss of \$717.5 million. In the absence of revenues from the commercialization of our product candidates or other sources, the amount, timing, nature, and source of which cannot be predicted, our losses will continue as we conduct our research and development activities. We expect to incur substantial losses over the next several years as we continue the clinical development of the VEGF Trap-Eye and IL-1 Trap; advance new product candidates into clinical development from our existing research programs utilizing our new technology for designing fully human monoclonal antibodies; continue our research and development programs; and commercialize product candidates that receive regulatory approval, if any. Also, our activities may expand over time and require additional resources, and we expect our operating losses to be substantial over at least the next several years. Our losses may fluctuate from quarter to quarter and will depend on, among other factors, the progress of our research and development efforts, the timing of certain expenses, and the amount and timing of payments that we receive from collaborators.

The planning, execution, and results of our clinical programs are significant factors that can affect our operating and financial results. In our clinical programs, key events for 2007 and plans over the next 12 months are as follows:

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Clinical Program VEGF Trap Oncology	2007 Events to Date  NCI/CTEP initiated six Phase 2 studies of the VEGF Trap as a single agent	2007-8 Plans Sanofi-aventis to initiate at least three of five Phase 3 studies of the VEGF Trap in combination with standard chemotherapy regimens in specific cancer indications  NCI/CTEP to initiate at least four new exploratory efficacy/safety studies
VEGF Trap-Eye (intravitreal injection)	Reported positive interim results of Phase 2 trial in wet AMD	Initiate first Phase 3 trial in wet AMD of the VEGF Trap-Eye compared with Lucentis® (Genentech)
		Report final results of Phase 2 trial in wet AMD
		Initiate second Phase 3 trial in wet AMD
		Report results of the Phase 1 trial in DME
		Initiate Phase 2 trial in DME
		Explore additional eye disease indications
IL-1 Trap (rilonacept)	Completed the 24 week open-label safety extension phase of the Phase 3 trial in CAPS	Submit BLA to the FDA for CAPS
		Initiate proof-of-concept studies evaluating the IL-1 Trap in gout and report initial data
		Evaluate the IL-1 Trap in other disease indications in which IL-1 may play an important role
VelocImmune		Initiate first trial for antibody product candidate

#### **License Agreements**

#### AstraZeneca

In February 2007, we entered into a non-exclusive license agreement with AstraZeneca UK Limited that will allow AstraZeneca to utilize our VelocImmune® technology in its internal research programs to discover human monoclonal antibodies. Under the terms of the agreement, AstraZeneca made a \$20.0 million non-refundable up-front payment to us. AstraZeneca also will make up to five additional annual payments of \$20.0 million, subject to its ability to

terminate the agreement after making the first three additional payments or earlier if the technology does not meet minimum performance criteria. We are entitled to receive a mid-single-digit royalty on any future sales of antibody products discovered by AstraZeneca using our VelocImmune technology.

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#### Astellas

In March 2007, we entered into a non-exclusive license agreement with Astellas Pharma Inc. that will allow Astellas to utilize our VelocImmune technology in its internal research programs to discover human monoclonal antibodies. Under the terms of the agreement, Astellas made a \$20.0 million non-refundable up-front payment to us, which was received in April 2007. Astellas also will make up to five additional annual payments of \$20.0 million, subject to its ability to terminate the agreement after making the first three additional payments or earlier if the technology does not meet minimum performance criteria. We are entitled to receive a mid-single-digit royalty on any future sales of antibody products discovered by Astellas using our VelocImmune technology.

#### **Results of Operations**

#### Three Months Ended March 31, 2007 and 2006

Net Income (Loss):

Regeneron reported a net loss of \$29.9 million, or \$0.46 per share (basic and diluted), for the first quarter of 2007 compared to a net loss of \$20.4 million, or \$0.36 per share (basic and diluted), for the first quarter of 2006. *Revenues:* 

Revenues for the three months ended March 31, 2007 and 2006 consist of the following:

(In millions)	2007	2006	Increase (Decrease)	
Contract research & development revenue				
The sanofi-aventis Group	\$ 11.8	\$ 13.9	\$	(2.1)
Other	1.9	0.7		1.2
Total contract research & development revenue	13.7	14.6		(0.9)
Contract manufacturing revenue		3.6		(3.6)
Technology licensing revenue	2.1			2.1
Total revenue	\$ 15.8	\$ 18.2	\$	(2.4)

We recognize revenue from sanofi-aventis, in connection with the companies VEGF Trap collaboration, in accordance with Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 104, *Revenue Recognition* (SAB 104) and FASB Emerging Issue Task Force Issue No. 00-21, *Accounting for Revenue Arrangements with Multiple Deliverables* (EITF 00-21). We earn contract research and development revenue from sanofi-aventis which, as detailed below, consists partly of reimbursement for research and development expenses and partly of the recognition of revenue related to a total of \$105.0 million of non-refundable, up-front payments received in 2003 and 2006. Non-refundable up-front license payments are recorded as deferred revenue and recognized over the period over which we are obligated to perform services. We estimate our performance period based on the specific terms of each agreement, and adjust the performance periods, if appropriate, based on the applicable facts and circumstances.

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Sanofi-aventis Contract Research & Development Revenue	Three months ended March 31,				
(In millions)	2	007	2	2006	
Regeneron expense reimbursement	\$	9.6	\$	10.8	
Recognition of deferred revenue related to up-front payments		2.2		3.1	
Total	\$	11.8	\$	13.9	

Sanofi-aventis reimbursement of Regeneron VEGF Trap expenses decreased in the first quarter of 2007 from the same period in 2006, primarily due to higher costs in 2006 related to the Company s manufacture of VEGF Trap clinical supplies. Recognition of deferred revenue related to sanofi-aventis up-front payments decreased in the first quarter of 2007 from the same period in 2006, due to an extension of the estimated performance period over which this deferred revenue is being recognized. As of March 31, 2007, \$67.7 million of the original \$105.0 million of up-front payments was deferred and will be recognized as revenue in future periods.

As described above, in October 2006 we entered into a VEGF Trap-Eye collaboration with Bayer HealthCare. In 2007, agreed upon VEGF Trap-Eye development expenses incurred by both companies under a global development plan will be shared as follows: Up to the first \$50.0 million will be shared equally; Regeneron is solely responsible for the next \$40.0 million; over \$90.0 million will be shared equally. Bayer HealthCare reimbursements of shared development expenses incurred by us are recorded as deferred revenue. We will recognize revenue from Bayer HealthCare, in connection with the companies—collaboration, in accordance with SAB 104 and EITF 00-21. When we and Bayer HealthCare have formalized our projected global development plans for the VEGF Trap-Eye, as well as the projected responsibilities of each of the companies under those development plans, we will begin recognizing contract research and development revenue related to payments from Bayer HealthCare. As a result, no contract research and development revenue has been earned from Bayer HealthCare through March 31, 2007 even though Bayer HealthCare will reimburse us for \$3.1 million of first quarter 2007 shared VEGF Trap-Eye expenses. As of March 31, 2007, deferred revenue from Bayer HealthCare, which will be recognized in future periods, totaled \$78.1 million, consisting of the \$75.0 million up-front payment received in October 2006 and reimbursement of \$3.1 million of shared VEGF Trap-Eye expenses related to the first quarter of 2007.

Other contract research and development revenue includes \$0.7 million recognized in connection with our five-year grant from the National Institutes of Health (NIH).

Contract manufacturing revenue for the first three months of 2006 related to our long-term agreement with Merck & Co., Inc., which expired in October 2006, to manufacture a vaccine intermediate at our Rensselaer, New York facility. Revenue and the related manufacturing expense were recognized as product was shipped, after acceptance by Merck. Included in contract manufacturing revenue in the first three months of 2006 was \$0.4 million of deferred revenue associated with capital improvement reimbursements paid by Merck prior to commencement of production. We do not expect to receive any further contract manufacturing revenue from Merck.

In February 2007, we entered into a non-exclusive license agreement with AstraZeneca which allows AstraZeneca to utilize Regeneron s VelocImmune technology in its internal research

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programs to discover human monoclonal antibodies. Under the terms of the agreement, AstraZeneca made a \$20.0 million non-refundable up-front payment to us which was deferred and will be recognized as revenue ratably over approximately the first year of the agreement. In the first quarter of 2007, we recognized \$2.1 million of technology licensing revenue related to the AstraZeneca agreement.

Expenses:

Total operating expenses increased to \$49.4 million in the first quarter of 2007 from \$39.9 million in the same period of 2006. Operating expenses in the first quarter of 2007 and 2006 include a total of \$6.6 million and \$3.9 million, respectively, of non-cash compensation expense related to employee stock option awards (Stock Option Expense), as detailed below:

(In millions)	For the thr Expenses before	ee month	s ended M	Iarch 31	, 2007
	inclusion	St	ock	Ex	penses
	of Stock		tion		as
	Option	- 1			
Expenses	Expense	Ex	oense	Re	ported
Research and development	\$ 37.4	\$	3.8	\$	41.2
General and administrative	5.4		2.8		8.2
Total operating expenses	\$ 42.8	\$	6.6	\$	49.4
(In millions)	For the three months ended March 31				, 2006
	Expenses before				
		inclusion Stock		Expenses	
	of Stock			<b>D</b> Aj	as
	Option	O.F.			
Expenses	Expense			Reported	
Research and development	\$ 30.1	\$	2.0	\$	32.1
Contract manufacturing	1.8		0.1		1.9
General and administrative	4.1		1.8		5.9
Total operating expenses	\$ 36.0	\$	3.9	\$	39.9

The increase in total Stock Option Expense in the first quarter of 2007 was primarily due to the higher fair market value of our Common Stock on the date of our annual employee option grants made in December 2006 in comparison to the fair market value of our Common Stock on the dates of annual employee option grants made in recent prior years.

Research and Development Expenses:

Research and development expenses increased to \$41.2 million in the first quarter of 2007 from \$32.1 million in the same period of 2006. The following table summarizes the major categories of our research and development expenses for the three months ended March 31, 2007 and 2006:

(In millions)	Three months ended March 31,			
			Incr	ease
Research and development expenses	2007	2006	(Decr	ease)
Payroll and benefits (1)	\$ 13.7	\$ 10.0	\$	3.7

Clinical trial expenses	5.3	3.4	1.9
Clinical manufacturing costs (2)	10.5	9.3	1.2
Research and preclinical development costs	6.0	3.5	2.5
Occupancy and other operating costs	5.7	5.9	(0.2)
Total research and development	\$ 41.2	\$ 32.1	\$ 9.1

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- (1) Includes \$3.1 million and \$1.6 million of Stock Option Expense for the three months ended March 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively.
- (2) Represents the full cost of manufacturing drug for use in research, preclinical development, and clinical trials, including related payroll and benefits, **Stock Option** Expense, manufacturing materials and supplies, depreciation, and occupancy costs of our Rensselaer manufacturing facility. Includes \$0.7 million and \$0.4 million of Stock Option Expense for the three months ended March 31, 2007 and 2006,

respectively.

Payroll and benefits increased primarily due to higher Stock Option Expense, as described above, and higher compensation expense due, in part, to annual salary increases effective January 1, 2007. Clinical trial expenses increased due to higher VEGF Trap-Eye costs primarily related to our Phase 1 and 2 studies in wet AMD and higher IL-1 Trap costs. Clinical manufacturing costs increased due to higher costs related to manufacturing preclinical and clinical supplies of our first antibody drug candidate, which were partly offset by lower costs related to manufacturing

VEGF Trap clinical supplies. Research and preclinical development costs increased primarily due to higher preclinical development costs related to our VEGF Trap and human monoclonal antibody programs. *Contract Manufacturing Expenses:* 

Contract manufacturing expenses decreased in the first quarter of 2007 compared to the same period of 2006 due to the expiration of our manufacturing agreement with Merck in October 2006. *General and Administrative Expenses:* 

General and administrative expenses increased to \$8.2 million in the first quarter of 2007 from \$5.9 million in the same period of 2006 primarily due to higher Stock Option Expense, as described above, higher compensation expense due, in part, to annual salary increases effective January 1, 2007, higher recruitment and related costs associated with expanding our headcount in 2007, and marketing research and related expenses incurred in 2007 in connection with our IL-1 Trap and VEGF Trap programs.

#### Other Income and Expense:

Investment income increased to \$6.7 million in the first quarter of 2007 from \$3.5 million in the same period of 2006 resulting primarily from higher balances of cash and marketable securities (due, in part, to the up-front payment received from Bayer HealthCare in October 2006, as described above, and the receipt of net proceeds from the November 2006 public offering of our Common Stock). Interest expense was \$3.0 million in the first quarter of 2007 and 2006. Interest expense is attributable primarily to \$200.0 million of convertible notes issued in October 2001, which mature in October 2008 and bear interest at 5.5% per annum.

#### **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

Since our inception in 1988, we have financed our operations primarily through offerings of our equity securities, a private placement of convertible debt, revenue earned under our past and

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present research and development and contract manufacturing agreements, including our agreements with sanofi-aventis, Bayer HealthCare, and Merck, and investment income.

#### Three Months Ended March 31, 2007 and 2006

At March 31, 2007, we had \$515.0 million in cash, cash equivalents, restricted cash, and marketable securities compared with \$522.9 million at December 31, 2006. In February 2007, we received a \$20.0 million non-refundable up-front payment in connection with our new non-exclusive license agreement with AstraZeneca. *Cash (Used in) Provided by Operations:* 

Net cash used in operations was \$9.2 million in the first quarter of 2007, compared to net cash provided by operations of \$5.3 million in the first quarter of 2006. Our net losses of \$29.9 million in the first quarter of 2007 and \$20.4 million in the first quarter of 2006 included \$6.6 million and \$4.1 million, respectively, of non-cash stock-based employee compensation costs, of which \$6.6 million and \$3.9 million, respectively, represented Stock Option Expense and, in the first quarter of 2006, \$0.2 million represented non-cash compensation expense from Restricted Stock awards. At March 31, 2007, accounts receivable balances increased by \$26.1 million, compared to end-of-year 2006, primarily due to a \$20.0 million non-refundable up-front payment which was receivable from Astellas in connection with our new non-exclusive license agreement (see License Agreements above). Also, our deferred revenue balances at March 31, 2007 increased by \$37.7 million, compared to end-of-year 2006, primarily due to the \$20.0 million up-front payments received or receivable from AstraZeneca and Astellas, as described above. These payments will be recognized as revenue ratably over approximately the first year of the respective agreements. At March 31, 2006, accounts receivable balances decreased by \$25.5 million, compared to end-of-year 2005, primarily due to the January 2006 receipt of a \$25.0 million up-front payment from sanofi-aventis, which was receivable at December 31, 2005, in connection with an amendment to our collaboration agreement to include Japan. Also, our deferred revenue balances at March 31, 2006 decreased by \$4.8 million, compared to end-of-year 2005, due primarily to first quarter 2006 revenue recognition of \$3.1 million of deferred revenue related to up-front payments from sanofi-aventis. The majority of our cash expenditures in both the first quarter of 2007 and 2006 were to fund research and development, primarily related to our clinical programs.

Cash Used in Investing Activities:

Net cash used in investing activities was \$74.1 million in the first quarter of 2007 compared to \$10.9 million in the same period of 2006, due primarily to an increase in purchases of marketable securities net of sales or maturities. In the first quarter of 2007, purchases of marketable securities exceeded sales or maturities by \$72.9 million, whereas in the first quarter of 2006, purchases of marketable securities exceeded sales or maturities by \$10.2 million. *Cash Provided by Financing Activities:* 

Cash provided by financing activities decreased to \$2.0 million in the first quarter of 2007 from \$3.4 million in the same period in 2006 due to a decrease in issuances of Common Stock in connection with exercises of employee stock options.

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#### License Agreements with AstraZeneca and Astellas:

Under these non-exclusive license agreements, AstraZeneca and Astellas each made a \$20.0 million non-refundable, up-front payment to us in February and April 2007, respectively. AstraZeneca and Astellas also will each make up to five additional annual payments of \$20.0 million, subject to each licensee s ability to terminate its license agreement with us after making the first three additional payments or earlier if the technology does not meet minimum performance criteria.

#### Capital Expenditures:

Our additions to property, plant, and equipment totaled \$1.0 million and \$0.6 million for the first three months of 2007 and 2006, respectively. During the remainder of 2007, we expect to incur approximately \$15 million in capital expenditures primarily to support our manufacturing, development, and research activities.

#### Funding Requirements:

We expect to continue to incur substantial funding requirements primarily for research and development activities (including preclinical and clinical testing). Before taking into account reimbursements from collaborators, we currently anticipate that approximately 55%-65% of our expenditures for 2007 will be directed toward the preclinical and clinical development of product candidates, including the IL-1 Trap, VEGF Trap, VEGF Trap-Eye and monoclonal antibodies; approximately 10%-15% of our expenditures for 2007 will be applied to our basic research activities and the continued development of our novel technology platforms; and the remainder of our expenditures for 2007 will be used for capital expenditures and general corporate purposes.

The amount we need to fund operations will depend on various factors, including the status of competitive products, the success of our research and development programs, the potential future need to expand our professional and support staff and facilities, the status of patents and other intellectual property rights, the delay or failure of a clinical trial of any of our potential drug candidates, and the continuation, extent, and success of our collaborations with sanofi-aventis and Bayer HealthCare. Clinical trial costs are dependent, among other things, on the size and duration of trials, fees charged for services provided by clinical trial investigators and other third parties, the costs for manufacturing the product candidate for use in the trials, supplies, laboratory tests, and other expenses. The amount of funding that will be required for our clinical programs depends upon the results of our research and preclinical programs and early-stage clinical trials, regulatory requirements, the clinical trials underway plus additional clinical trials that we decide to initiate, and the various factors that affect the cost of each trial as described above. In the future, if we are able to successfully develop, market, and sell certain of our product candidates, we may be required to pay royalties or otherwise share the profits generated on such sales in connection with our collaboration and licensing agreements.

We expect that expenses related to the filing, prosecution, defense, and enforcement of patent and other intellectual property claims will continue to be substantial as a result of patent filings and prosecutions in the United States and foreign countries.

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We believe that our existing capital resources will enable us to meet operating needs through at least early 2010, without taking into consideration the \$200.0 million aggregate principal amount of convertible senior subordinated notes, which mature in October 2008. However, this is a forward-looking statement based on our current operating plan, and there may be a change in projected revenues or expenses that would lead to our capital being consumed significantly before such time. If there is insufficient capital to fund all of our planned operations and activities, we believe we would prioritize available capital to fund preclinical and clinical development of our product candidates. Other than the \$1.6 million letter of credit issued to our landlord in connection with our new operating lease for facilities in Tarrytown, New York, we have no off-balance sheet arrangements. In addition, we do not guarantee the obligations of any other entity. As of March 31, 2007, we had no established banking arrangements through which we could obtain short-term financing or a line of credit. In the event we need additional financing for the operation of our business, we will consider collaborative arrangements and additional public or private financing, including additional equity financing. Factors influencing the availability of additional financing include our progress in product development, investor perception of our prospects, and the general condition of the financial markets. We may not be able to secure the necessary funding through new collaborative arrangements or additional public or private offerings. If we cannot raise adequate funds to satisfy our capital requirements, we may have to delay, scale-back, or eliminate certain of our research and development activities or future operations. This could harm our business.

#### Critical Accounting Policies and Significant Judgments and Estimates

During the three months ended March 31, 2007, there were no changes to our critical accounting policies and significant judgments and estimates, as described in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2006.

#### **Future Impact of Recently Issued Accounting Standards**

In February 2007, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. (SFAS) 159, *The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities*. SFAS 159 permits entities to choose to measure many financial instruments and certain other items at fair value. The objective is to improve financial reporting by providing entities with the opportunity to mitigate volatility in reported earnings caused by measuring related assets and liabilities differently without having to apply complex hedge accounting provisions. SFAS 159 is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007. We will be required to adopt SFAS 159 effective for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2008. Our management is currently evaluating the potential impact of adopting SFAS 159 on our financial statements.

#### Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosure About Market Risk

Our earnings and cash flows are subject to fluctuations due to changes in interest rates primarily from our investment of available cash balances in investment grade corporate and U.S. government securities. We do not believe we are materially exposed to changes in interest rates. Under our current policies we do not use interest rate derivative instruments to manage exposure

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to interest rate changes. We estimated that a one percent change in interest rates would result in approximately a \$1.8 million and \$0.9 million change in the fair market value of our investment portfolio at March 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively. The increase in the impact of an interest rate change at March 31, 2007, compared to March 31, 2006, is due primarily to increases in our investment portfolio s balance and duration to maturity at the end of March 2007 versus the end of March 2006.

#### **Item 4. Controls and Procedures**

Our management, with the participation of our chief executive officer and chief financial officer, conducted 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 Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the Exchange Act )), as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based on this evaluation, our chief executive officer and chief financial officer each concluded that, as of the end of such period, our disclosure controls and procedures were effective in ensuring that information required to be disclosed by us in the reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized, and reported within the time periods specified in applicable rules and forms of the Securities and Exchange Commission, and 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.

There has been no change in our internal control over financial reporting (as such term is defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Exchange Act) during the quarter ended March 31, 2007 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**

From time to time, we are a party to legal proceedings in the course of our business. We do not expect any such current legal proceedings to have a material adverse effect on our business or financial condition.

#### **Item 1A. Risk Factors**

We operate in an environment that involves a number of significant risks and uncertainties. We caution you to read the following risk factors, which have affected, and/or in the future could affect, our business, operating results, financial condition, and cash flows. The risks described below include forward-looking statements, and actual events and our actual results may differ substantially from those discussed in these forward-looking statements. Additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to us or that we currently deem immaterial may also impair our business operations. Furthermore, additional risks and uncertainties are described under other captions in this report and in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2006 and should be considered by our investors.

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#### Risks Related to Our Financial Results and Need for Additional Financing

We have had a history of operating losses and we may never achieve profitability. If we continue to incur operating losses, we may be unable to continue our operations.

From inception on January 8, 1988 through March 31, 2007, we had a cumulative loss of \$717.5 million. If we continue to incur operating losses and fail to become a profitable company, we may be unable to continue our operations. We have no products that are available for sale and do not know when we will have products available for sale, if ever. In the absence of revenue from the sale of products or other sources, the amount, timing, nature or source of which cannot be predicted, our losses will continue as we conduct our research and development activities. Until the expiration in October 2006 of our agreement with Merck, we received contract manufacturing revenue pursuant to that agreement. The expiration of that agreement has resulted in a significant loss of revenue to Regeneron.

We will need additional funding in the future, which may not be available to us, and which may force us to delay, reduce or eliminate our product development programs or commercialization efforts.

We will need to expend substantial resources for research and development, including costs associated with clinical testing of our product candidates. We believe our existing capital resources will enable us to meet operating needs through at least early 2010, without taking into consideration the \$200.0 million aggregate principal amount of convertible senior subordinated notes, which mature in October 2008; however, our projected revenue may decrease or our expenses may increase and that would lead to our capital being consumed significantly before such time. We will likely require additional financing in the future and we may not be able to raise such additional funds. If we are able to obtain additional financing through the sale of equity or convertible debt securities, such sales may be dilutive to our shareholders. Debt financing arrangements may require us to pledge certain assets or enter into covenants that would restrict our business activities or our ability to incur further indebtedness and may contain other terms that are not favorable to our shareholders. If we are unable to raise sufficient funds to complete the development of our product candidates, we may face delay, reduction or elimination of our research and development programs or preclinical or clinical trials, in which case our business, financial condition or results of operations may be materially harmed.

We have a significant amount of debt and may have insufficient cash to satisfy our debt service and repayment obligations. In addition, the amount of our debt could impede our operations and flexibility.

We have a significant amount of convertible debt and semi-annual interest payment obligations. This debt, unless converted to shares of our common stock, will mature in October 2008. We may be unable to generate sufficient cash flow or otherwise obtain funds necessary to make required payments on our debt. Even if we are able to meet our debt service obligations, the amount of debt we already have could hurt our ability to obtain any necessary financing in the future for working capital, capital expenditures, debt service requirements, or other purposes. In addition, our debt obligations could require us to use a substantial portion of cash to pay

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principal and interest on our debt, instead of applying those funds to other purposes, such as research and development, working capital, and capital expenditures.

#### **Risks Related to Development of Our Product Candidates**

#### Successful development of any of our product candidates is highly uncertain.

Only a small minority of all research and development programs ultimately result in commercially successful drugs. We have never developed a drug that has been approved for marketing and sale, and we may never succeed in developing an approved drug. Even if clinical trials demonstrate safety and effectiveness of any of our product candidates for a specific disease and the necessary regulatory approvals are obtained, the commercial success of any of our product candidates will depend upon their acceptance by patients, the medical community, and third-party payers and on our partners—ability to successfully manufacture and commercialize our product candidates. Our product candidates are delivered either by intravenous infusion or by intravitreal or subcutaneous injections, which are generally less well received by patients than tablet or capsule delivery. If our products are not successfully commercialized, we will not be able to recover the significant investment we have made in developing such products and our business would be severely harmed.

We intend to study our lead product candidates, the VEGF Trap, VEGF Trap-Eye, and IL-1 Trap, in a wide variety of indications. We intend to study the VEGF Trap in a variety of cancer settings, the VEGF Trap-Eye in different eye diseases and ophthalmologic indications, and the IL-1 Trap in a variety of systemic inflammatory disorders. Many of these current trials are exploratory studies designed to identify what diseases and uses, if any, are best suited for our product candidates. It is likely that our product candidates will not demonstrate the requisite efficacy and/or safety profile to support continued development for most of the indications that are to be studied. In fact, our product candidates may not demonstrate the requisite efficacy and safety profile to support the continued development for any of the indications or uses.

Clinical trials required for our product candidates are expensive and time-consuming, and their outcome is highly uncertain. If any of our drug trials are delayed or achieve unfavorable results, we will have to delay or may be unable to obtain regulatory approval for our product candidates.

We must conduct extensive testing of our product candidates before we can obtain regulatory approval to market and sell them. We need to conduct both preclinical animal testing and human clinical trials. Conducting these trials is a lengthy, time-consuming, and expensive process. These tests and trials may not achieve favorable results for many reasons, including, among others, failure of the product candidate to demonstrate safety or efficacy, the development of serious or life-threatening adverse events (or side effects) caused by or connected with exposure to the product candidate, difficulty in enrolling and maintaining subjects in the clinical trial, lack of sufficient supplies of the product candidate or comparator drug, and the failure of clinical investigators, trial monitors and other consultants, or trial subjects to comply with the trial plan or protocol. A clinical trial may fail because it did not include a sufficient number of patients to detect the endpoint being measured or reach statistical significance. A clinical trial may also fail because the dose(s) of the investigational drug included in the trial were either too low or too

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high to determine the optimal effect of the investigational drug in the disease setting. For example, we are studying higher doses of the IL-1 Trap in different diseases after a Phase 2 trial using lower doses of the IL-1 Trap in subjects with rheumatoid arthritis failed to achieve its primary endpoint.

We will need to reevaluate any drug candidate that does not test favorably and either conduct new trials, which are expensive and time consuming, or abandon the drug development program. Even if we obtain positive results from preclinical or clinical trials, we may not achieve the same success in future trials. Many companies in the biopharmaceutical industry, including us, have suffered significant setbacks in clinical trials, even after promising results have been obtained in earlier trials. The failure of clinical trials to demonstrate safety and effectiveness for the desired indication(s) could harm the development of the product candidate(s), and our business, financial condition, and results of operations may be materially harmed.

The data from the Phase 3 clinical program for the IL-1 Trap in CAPS (Cryopyrin Associated Periodic Syndromes) may be inadequate to support regulatory approval for commercialization of the IL-1 Trap.

The efficacy and safety data from the Phase 3 clinical program for the IL-1 Trap in CAPS may be inadequate to support approval for its commercialization in this indication. Moreover, if the safety data from the ongoing clinical trials testing the IL-1 Trap are not satisfactory, we may not proceed with the filing of a biological license application, or BLA, for the IL-1 Trap or we may be forced to delay the filing. The FDA and other regulatory agencies may have varying interpretations of our clinical trial data, which could delay, limit, or prevent regulatory approval or clearance.

Further, before a product candidate is approved for marketing, our manufacturing facilities must be inspected by the FDA and the FDA will not approve the product for marketing if we or our third party manufacturers are not in compliance with current good manufacturing practices. Even if the FDA and similar foreign regulatory authorities do grant marketing approval for the IL-1 Trap, they may pose restrictions on the use or marketing of the product, or may require us to conduct additional post-marketing trials. These restrictions and requirements would likely result in increased expenditures and lower revenues and may restrict our ability to commercialize the IL-1 Trap profitably.

In addition to the FDA and other regulatory agency regulations in the United States, we are subject to a variety of foreign regulatory requirements governing human clinical trials, marketing and approval for drugs, and commercial sales and distribution of drugs in foreign countries. The foreign regulatory approval process includes all of the risks associated with FDA approval as well as country-specific regulations. Whether or not we obtain FDA approval for a product in the United States, we must obtain approval by the comparable regulatory authorities of foreign countries before we can commence clinical trials or marketing of the IL-1 Trap in those countries.

The development of serious or life-threatening side effects with any of our product candidates would lead to delay or discontinuation of development, which could severely harm our business.

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During the conduct of clinical trials, patients report changes in their health, including illnesses, injuries, and discomforts, to their study doctor. Often, it is not possible to determine whether or not the drug candidate being studied caused these conditions. Various illnesses, injuries, and discomforts have been reported from time-to-time during clinical trials of our product candidates. Although our current drug candidates appeared to be generally well tolerated in clinical trials conducted to date, it is possible as we test any of them in larger, longer, and more extensive clinical programs, illnesses, injuries, and discomforts that were observed in earlier trials, as well as conditions that did not occur or went undetected in smaller previous trials, will be reported by patients. Many times, side effects are only detectable after investigational drugs are tested in large scale, Phase 3 clinical trials or, in some cases, after they are made available to patients after approval. If additional clinical experience indicates that any of our product candidates has many side effects or causes serious or life-threatening side effects, the development of the product candidate may fail or be delayed, which would severely harm our business.

Our VEGF Trap is being studied for the potential treatment of certain types of cancer and our VEGF Trap-Eye candidate is being studied in diseases of the eye. There are many potential safety concerns associated with significant blockade of vascular endothelial growth factor, or VEGF. These risks, based on the clinical and preclinical experience of systemically delivered VEGF inhibitors, including the systemic delivery of the VEGF Trap, include bleeding, hypertension, and proteinuria. These serious side effects and other serious side effects have been reported in our systemic VEGF Trap studies in cancer and diseases of the eye. In addition, patients given infusions of any protein, including the VEGF Trap delivered through intravenous administration, may develop severe hypersensitivity reactions or infusion reactions. Other VEGF blockers have reported side effects that became evident only after large scale trials or after marketing approval and large number of patients were treated. These include side effects that we have not yet seen in our trials such as heart attack and stroke. These and other complications or side effects could harm the development of the VEGF Trap for the treatment of cancer or the VEGF Trap-Eye for the treatment of diseases of the eye.

It is possible that safety or tolerability concerns may arise as we continue to test the IL-1 Trap in patients with inflammatory diseases and disorders. Like cytokine antagonists such as Kineret® (Amgen Inc.), EnbrelÒ (Immunex Corporation), and RemicadeÒ (Centocor, Inc.), the IL-1 Trap affects the immune defense system of the body by blocking some of its functions. Therefore, the IL-1 Trap may interfere with the body s ability to fight infections. Treatment with Kineret® (Amgen), a medication that works through the inhibition of IL-1, has been associated with an increased risk of serious infections, and serious infections have been reported in patients taking the IL-1 Trap. One subject with adult Still s diseases in a study of the IL-1 Trap developed an infection in his elbow with mycobacterium intracellulare. The patient was on chronic glucocorticoid treatment for Still s disease. The infection occurred after an intraarticular glucocorticoid injection into the elbow and subsequent local exposure to a suspected source of mycobacteria. One patient with polymayalgia rheumatica in another study developed bronchitis/sinusitis, which resulted in hospitalization. One patient in an open-label study of the IL-1 Trap in CAPS developed sinusitis and streptococcus pneumoniae meningitis and subsequently died. In addition, patients given infusions of the IL-1 Trap have developed hypersensitivity reactions or infusion reactions. These

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or other complications or side effects could impede or result in us abandoning the development of the IL-1 Trap. Our product candidates in development are recombinant proteins that could cause an immune response, resulting in the creation of harmful or neutralizing antibodies against the therapeutic protein.

In addition to the safety, efficacy, manufacturing, and regulatory hurdles faced by our product candidates, the administration of recombinant proteins frequently causes an immune response, resulting in the creation of antibodies against the therapeutic protein. The antibodies can have no effect or can totally neutralize the effectiveness of the protein, or require that higher doses be used to obtain a therapeutic effect. In some cases, the antibody can cross react with the patient s own proteins, resulting in an auto-immune type disease. Whether antibodies will be created can often not be predicted from preclinical or clinical experiments, and their detection or appearance is often delayed, so that there can be no assurance that neutralizing antibodies will not be detected at a later date in some cases even after pivotal clinical trials have been completed. Subjects who received IL-1 Trap in clinical trials have developed antibodies. It is possible that as we test the VEGF Trap and VEGF Trap-Eye with more sensitive assays in different patient populations and larger clinical trials, we will find that subjects given the VEGF Trap and VEGF Trap-Eye develop antibodies to these product candidates, which could adversely impact the development of such candidates. We may be unable to formulate or manufacture our product candidates in a way that is suitable for clinical or commercial use.

Changes in product formulations and manufacturing processes may be required as product candidates progress in clinical development and are ultimately commercialized. For example, we are currently testing a new formulation of the VEGF Trap-Eye in a Phase 1 Trial. If we are unable to develop suitable product formulations or manufacturing processes to support large scale clinical testing of our product candidates, including the VEGF Trap, VEGF Trap-Eye, and IL-1 Trap, we may be unable to supply necessary materials for our clinical trials, which would delay the development of our product candidates. Similarly, if we are unable to supply sufficient quantities of our product or develop product formulations suitable for commercial use, we will not be able to successfully commercialize our product candidates.

#### **Risks Related to Intellectual Property**

If we cannot protect the confidentiality of our trade secrets or our patents are insufficient to protect our proprietary rights, our business and competitive position will be harmed.

Our business requires using sensitive and proprietary technology and other information that we protect as trade secrets. We seek to prevent improper disclosure of these trade secrets through confidentiality agreements. If our trade secrets are improperly exposed, either by our own employees or our collaborators, it would help our competitors and adversely affect our business. We will be able to protect our proprietary rights from unauthorized use by third parties only to the extent that our rights are covered by valid and enforceable patents or are effectively maintained as trade secrets. The patent position of biotechnology companies involves complex

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legal and factual questions and, therefore, enforceability cannot be predicted with certainty. Our patents may be challenged, invalidated, or circumvented. Patent applications filed outside the United States may be challenged by third parties who file an opposition. Such opposition proceedings are increasingly common in the European Union and are costly to defend. We have patent applications that are being opposed and it is likely that we will need to defend additional patent applications in the future. Our patent rights may not provide us with a proprietary position or competitive advantages against competitors. Furthermore, even if the outcome is favorable to us, the enforcement of our intellectual property rights can be extremely expensive and time consuming.

We may be restricted in our development and/or commercialization activities by, and could be subject to damage awards if we are found to have infringed, third party patents or other proprietary rights.

Our commercial success depends significantly on our ability to operate without infringing the patents and other proprietary rights of third parties. Other parties may allege that they have blocking patents to our products in clinical development, either because they claim to hold proprietary rights to the composition of a product or the way it is manufactured or used. Moreover, other parties may allege that they have blocking patents to antibody products made using our VelocImmune technology, either because of the way the antibodies are discovered or produced or because of a proprietary position covering an antibody or the antibody s target.

We are aware of patents and pending applications owned by Genentech that claim certain chimeric VEGF receptor compositions. Although we do not believe that the VEGF Trap or VEGF Trap-Eye infringes any valid claim in these patents or patent applications, Genentech could initiate a lawsuit for patent infringement and assert its patents are valid and cover the VEGF Trap or VEGF Trap-Eye. Genentech may be motivated to initiate such a lawsuit at some point in an effort to impair our ability to develop and sell the VEGF Trap or VEGF Trap-Eye, which represents a potential competitive threat to Genentech s VEGF-binding products and product candidates. An adverse determination by a court in any such potential patent litigation would likely materially harm our business by requiring us to seek a license, which may not be available, or resulting in our inability to manufacture, develop and sell the VEGF Trap or VEGF Trap-Eye or in a damage award.

Any patent holders could sue us for damages and seek to prevent us from manufacturing, selling, or developing our drug candidates, and a court may find that we are infringing validly issued patents of third parties. In the event that the manufacture, use, or sale of any of our clinical candidates infringes on the patents or violates other proprietary rights of third parties, we may be prevented from pursuing product development, manufacturing, and commercialization of our drugs and may be required to pay costly damages. Such a result may materially harm our business, financial condition, and results of operations. Legal disputes are likely to be costly and time consuming to defend.

We seek to obtain licenses to patents when, in our judgment, such licenses are needed. If any licenses are required, we may not be able to obtain such licenses on commercially reasonable terms, if at all. The failure to obtain any such license could prevent us from developing or

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commercializing any one or more of our product candidates, which could severely harm our business.

#### **Regulatory and Litigation Risks**

If we do not obtain regulatory approval for our product candidates, we will not be able to market or sell them.

We cannot sell or market products without regulatory approval. If we do not obtain and maintain regulatory approval for our product candidates, the value of our company and our results of operations will be harmed. In the United States, we must obtain and maintain approval from the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for each drug we intend to sell. Obtaining FDA approval is typically a lengthy and expensive process, and approval is highly uncertain. Foreign governments also regulate drugs distributed in their country and approval in any country is likely to be a lengthy and expensive process, and approval is highly uncertain. None of our product candidates has ever received regulatory approval to be marketed and sold in the United States or any other country. We may never receive regulatory approval for any of our product candidates.

Before approving a new drug or biologic product, the FDA requires that the facilities at which the product will be manufactured be in compliance with current good manufacturing practices, or cGMP requirements. Manufacturing product candidates in compliance with these regulatory requirements is complex, time-consuming, and expensive. To be successful, our products must be manufactured for development, following approval, in commercial quantities, in compliance with regulatory requirements, and at competitive costs. If we or any of our product collaborators or third-party manufacturers, product packagers, or labelers are unable to maintain regulatory compliance, the FDA can impose regulatory sanctions, including, among other things, refusal to approve a pending application for a new drug or biologic product, or revocation of a pre-existing approval. As a result, our business, financial condition, and results of operations may be materially harmed.

If the testing or use of our products harms people, we could be subject to costly and damaging product liability claims. We could also face costly and damaging claims arising from employment law, securities law, environmental law, or other applicable laws governing our operations.

The testing, manufacturing, marketing, and sale of drugs for use in people expose us to product liability risk. Any informed consent or waivers obtained from people who sign up for our clinical trials may not protect us from liability or the cost of litigation. Our product liability insurance may not cover all potential liabilities or may not completely cover any liability arising from any such litigation. Moreover, we may not have access to liability insurance or be able to maintain our insurance on acceptable terms.

Our operations may involve hazardous materials and are subject to environmental, health, and safety laws and regulations. We may incur substantial liability arising from our activities involving the use of hazardous materials.

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As a biopharmaceutical company with significant manufacturing operations, we are subject to extensive environmental, health, and safety laws and regulations, including those governing the use of hazardous materials. Our research and development and manufacturing activities involve the controlled use of chemicals, viruses, radioactive compounds, and other hazardous materials. The cost of compliance with environmental, health, and safety regulations is substantial. If an accident involving these materials or an environmental discharge were to occur, we could be held liable for any resulting damages, or face regulatory actions, which could exceed our resources or insurance coverage. *Changes in the securities laws and regulations have increased, and are likely to continue to increase, our costs.* 

The Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, which became law in July 2002, has required changes in some of our corporate governance, securities disclosure and compliance practices. In response to the requirements of that Act, the SEC and the NASDAQ Stock Market have promulgated new rules and listing standards covering a variety of subjects. Compliance with these new rules and listing standards has increased our legal costs, and significantly increased our accounting and auditing costs, and we expect these costs to continue. These developments may make it more difficult and more expensive for us to obtain directors—and officers—liability insurance. Likewise, these developments may make it more difficult for us to attract and retain qualified members of our board of directors, particularly independent directors, or qualified executive officers.

In future years, if we or our independent registered public accounting firm are unable to conclude that our internal control over financial reporting is effective, the market value of our common stock could be adversely affected.

As directed by Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, the SEC adopted rules requiring public companies to include a report of management on the Company's internal control over financial reporting in their annual reports on Form 10-K that contains an assessment by management of the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting. In addition, the independent registered public accounting firm auditing our financial statements must attest to and report on management's assessment and on the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting. Our independent registered public accounting firm provided us with an unqualified report as to our assessment and the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2006, which report is included in this Annual Report on Form 10-K. However, we cannot assure you that management or our independent registered public accounting firm will be able to provide such an assessment or unqualified report as of future year-ends. In this event, investors could lose confidence in the reliability of our financial statements, which could result in a decrease in the market value of our common stock. In addition, if it is determined that deficiencies in the design or operation of internal controls exist and that they are reasonably likely to adversely affect our ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial information, we would likely incur additional costs to remediate these deficiencies and the costs of such remediation could be material.

#### **Risks Related to Our Dependence on Third Parties**

If our collaboration with sanofi-aventis for the VEGF Trap is terminated, our business operations and our ability to develop, manufacture, and commercialize the VEGF Trap in the time expected, or at all, would be harmed.

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