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**UNITED STATES**

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**WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

**FORM 10-Q**

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

For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2018  
OR

**Transition Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

**Commission file number 000-52091**

**GEOVAX LABS, INC.**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation or organization)

**87-0455038**

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

**1900 Lake Park Drive**

**Suite 380**

**Smyrna, Georgia**

(Address of principal executive offices)

**30080**

(Zip Code)

**(678) 384-7220**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the Registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes    No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate website, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files).

Yes    No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of “large accelerated filer,” “accelerated filer,” “smaller reporting company,” and “emerging growth company” in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

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

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

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

Yes    No

As of May 3, 2018, 151,736,810 shares of the Registrant’s common stock, \$.001 par value, were issued and outstanding.

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**Part I -- FINANCIAL INFORMATION****Item 1 Financial Statements****GEOVAX LABS, INC.  
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS**

	March 31, 2018 (unaudited)	December 31, 2017
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$571,154	\$312,727
Grant funds and other receivables	5,000	59,758
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	226,170	75,589
Total current assets	802,324	448,074
Property and equipment, net	26,171	31,151
Deposits	11,010	11,010
Total assets	\$839,505	\$490,235
<b>LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (DEFICIENCY)</b>		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$54,039	\$77,581
Accrued expenses (Note 6)	864,358	733,711
Current portion of note payable	1,042	-
Total current liabilities	919,439	811,292
Note payable, net of current portion	48,958	-
Total liabilities	968,397	811,292
Commitments (Note 8)		
Stockholders' equity (deficiency):		
Preferred stock, \$.01 par value:		
Authorized shares – 10,000,000		
Series B convertible preferred stock, \$1,000 stated value; 100 shares issued and outstanding at March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017	76,095	76,095
Series C convertible preferred stock, \$1,000 stated value; 2,570 shares issued and outstanding at March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017	842,990	842,990
	539,000	980,000

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Series D convertible preferred stock, \$1,000 stated value; 550 and 1,000 shares issued and outstanding at March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017		
Series E convertible preferred stock, \$1,000 stated value; 600 and -0- shares issued and outstanding at March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017	590,000	-
Common stock, \$.001 par value:		
Authorized shares – 600,000,000 Issued and outstanding shares – 141,736,810 and 106,736,810 at March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017	141,737	106,737
Additional paid-in capital	36,219,889	35,589,911
Accumulated deficit	(38,538,603)	(37,916,790)
Total stockholders' equity (deficiency)	(128,892 )	(321,057 )
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity (deficiency)	\$839,505	\$490,235

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

**GEOVAX LABS, INC.****CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS****(Unaudited)**

	Three Months Ended March	
	31,	
	2018	2017
Grant and collaboration revenues	\$221,299	\$295,735
Operating expenses:		
Research and development	486,994	551,795
General and administrative	357,228	292,667
Total operating expenses	844,222	844,462
Loss from operations	(622,923 )	(548,727 )
Other income (expense):		
Interest income	1,318	386
Interest expense	(208 )	-
Total other income (expense)	1,110	386
Net loss	\$(621,813 )	\$(548,341 )
Basic and diluted:		
Net loss per common share	\$(0.01 )	\$(0.01 )
Weighted average shares outstanding	124,170,143	55,350,974

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

**GEOVAX LABS,  
INC.**

**CONDENSED  
CONSOLIDATED  
STATEMENTS  
OF CASH FLOWS**

**(Unaudited)**

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2018	2017
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net loss	\$(621,813)	\$(548,341)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	4,980	6,898
Stock-based compensation expense	52,549	14,580
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Grant funds and other receivables	54,758	6,560
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	20,848	10,151
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	107,105	178,054
Total adjustments	240,240	216,243
Net cash used in operating activities	(381,573)	(332,098)
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Purchase of property and equipment	-	(4,350 )
Net cash used in investing activities	-	(4,350 )
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Net proceeds from sale of preferred stock	590,000	-
Net proceeds from sale of common stock	-	49,167
Proceeds from issuance of note payable	50,000	-
Net cash provided in financing activities	640,000	49,167
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	258,427	(287,281)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	312,727	454,030
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$571,154	\$166,749

Supplemental disclosure of non-cash activities:

During the three months ended March 31, 2018, 450 shares of Series D Convertible Preferred Stock were converted into 30,000,000 shares of common stock.

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

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**GEOVAX LABS, INC.**

**NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**March 31, 2018**

**(unaudited)**

**1. Description of Business**

GeoVax Labs, Inc. (“GeoVax” or the “Company”), is a clinical-stage biotechnology company developing human vaccines using our novel vaccine platform. Our current development programs are focused on preventive vaccines against Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV), Zika Virus, hemorrhagic fever viruses (Ebola, Sudan, Marburg, Lassa), and malaria, as well as therapeutic vaccines for chronic Hepatitis B infections and cancers. We believe our technology and vaccine development expertise are well-suited for a variety of human infectious diseases and we intend to pursue further expansion of our product pipeline.

Certain of our vaccine development activities have been, and continue to be, financially supported by the U.S. government. This support has been both in the form of research grants and contracts awarded directly to us, as well as indirect support for the conduct of preclinical animal studies and human clinical trials.

We operate in a highly regulated and competitive environment. The manufacturing and marketing of pharmaceutical products require approval from, and are subject to, ongoing oversight by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) in the United States, by the European Medicines Agency (EMA) in the European Union, and by comparable agencies in other countries. Obtaining approval for a new pharmaceutical product is never certain, *may* take many years and often involves expenditure of substantial resources. Our goal is to build a profitable company by generating income from products we develop and commercialize, either alone or with *one* or more potential strategic partners.

GeoVax is incorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware and our principal offices are located in Smyrna, Georgia (metropolitan Atlanta area).

**2. Basis of Presentation**

The accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements at *March 31, 2018* and for the *three*-month periods ended *March 31, 2018* and *2017* are unaudited, but include all adjustments, consisting of normal recurring entries, which we believe to be necessary for a fair presentation of the dates and periods presented. Interim results are *not* necessarily indicative of results for a full year. The financial statements should be read in conjunction with our audited consolidated financial statements included in our Annual Report on Form *10-K* for the year ended *December 31, 2017*. We expect our operating results to fluctuate for the foreseeable future; therefore, period-to-period comparisons should *not* be relied upon as predictive of the results in future periods.

Our financial statements have been prepared assuming that we will continue as a going concern, which contemplates realization of assets and the satisfaction of liabilities in the normal course of business for the *twelve*-month period following the date of the financial statements. We are devoting substantially all of our present efforts to research and development of our vaccine candidates. We have funded our activities to date from government grants and clinical trial assistance, and from sales of our equity securities. We will continue to require substantial funds to continue these activities.

We believe that our existing cash resources and government funding commitments will be sufficient to continue our planned operations into the *third* quarter of *2018*. Due to our history of operating losses and our continuing need for capital to conduct our research and development activities, there is substantial doubt concerning our ability to operate as a going concern beyond that date. We are currently exploring sources of capital through additional government grants and contracts. We also intend to secure additional funds through sales of our equity securities or by other means. Management believes that we will be successful in securing the additional capital required to continue the Company's planned operations, but that our plans do *not* fully alleviate the substantial doubt about the Company's ability to operate as a going concern. Additional funding *may not* be available on favorable terms or at all. If we fail to obtain additional capital when needed, we will be required to delay, scale back, or eliminate some or all of our research and development programs as well as reduce our general and administrative expenses.

### **3. Significant Accounting Policies and Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

We disclosed in Note 2 to our consolidated financial statements included in our Annual Report on Form *10-K* for the year ended *December 31, 2017* those accounting policies that we consider significant in determining our results of operations and financial position. Other than as described below, there have been *no* material changes to, or in the application of, the accounting policies previously identified and described in the Form *10-K*.

In May 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Accounting Standards Update 2014-09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers* (ASU 2014-09), which creates a new Topic, Accounting Standards Codification Topic 606. The standard is principle-based and provides a *five*-step model to determine when and how revenue is recognized. The core principle is that an entity should recognize revenue when it transfers promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. We adopted ASU 2014-09 effective *January 1, 2018*; such adoption had *no* material impact on our financial statements.

In May 2017, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update 2017-09, *Scope of Modification Accounting* (ASU 2017-09), which amends Accounting Standards Codification Topic 718, Compensation – Stock Compensation. ASU 2017-09 is an attempt to provide clarity and reduce both (1) diversity in practice and (2) cost and complexity when applying the guidance in Topic 718 to a change to the terms or conditions of a share-based payment award. We adopted ASU 2017-09 effective *January 1, 2018*; such adoption had *no* material impact on our financial statements.

There have been *no* other recent accounting pronouncements or changes in accounting pronouncements during the *three* months ended *March 31, 2018*, as compared to the recent accounting pronouncements described in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended *December 31, 2017*, which we expect to have a material impact on our financial statements.

#### **4. Basic and Diluted Loss Per Common Share**

Basic net loss per share is computed using the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted net loss per share is computed using the weighted-average number of common shares and potentially dilutive common share equivalents outstanding during the period. Potentially dilutive common share equivalents consist of convertible preferred stock, stock options and stock purchase warrants. Common share equivalents which potentially could dilute basic earnings per share in the future, and which were excluded from the computation of diluted loss per share, as the effect would be anti-dilutive, totaled approximately 222.9 million and 91.7 million shares at *March 31, 2018* and *2017*, respectively.

#### **5. Property and Equipment**

Property and equipment as shown on the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets is composed of the following as of *March 31, 2018* and *December 31, 2017*:

	March 31, 2018	December 31, 2017
Laboratory equipment	\$530,306	\$530,306
Leasehold improvements	115,605	115,605
Other furniture, fixtures & equipment	28,685	28,685
Total property and equipment	674,596	674,596
Accumulated depreciation and amortization	(648,425)	(643,445)
Property and equipment, net	\$26,171	\$31,151

## 6. Accrued Expenses

Accrued expenses as shown on the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets is composed of the following as of *March 31, 2018* and *December 31, 2017*:

	March 31, 2018	December 31, 2017
Accrued management salaries	\$623,289	\$532,615
Accrued directors' fees	214,819	182,620
Other accrued expenses	26,250	18,476
Total accrued expenses	\$864,358	\$733,711

## 7. Note Payable

On *February 28, 2018*, we entered into a Senior Note Purchase Agreement with Georgia Research Alliance, Inc. (GRA) pursuant to which we issued a *five-year* Senior Promissory Note (the "Note") to GRA in exchange for *\$50,000*. The Note bears an annual interest rate of *5%*, payable monthly, with principal repayments beginning in the *second* year. Principal repayments are expected to be *\$-0-* in *2018*, *\$10,417* in *2019*, *\$12,500* in *2020*, *2021* and *2022*, and *\$2,083* in *2023*. In connection with the Note, we also issued to GRA a *five-year* warrant to purchase *178,571* shares of our common stock (see Note 9). Interest expense related to the Note for the *three-month* period ended *March 31, 2018* was *\$208*.

## 8. Commitments

We lease approximately 8,400 square feet of office and laboratory space pursuant to an operating lease which expires on *December 31, 2018*. As of *March 31, 2018*, our future minimum lease payments total \$117,409 all of which will be payable during 2018. In the normal course of business, we *may* enter into various firm purchase commitments related to our research-related activities; as of *March 31, 2018*, such unrecorded outstanding purchase commitments were *not* material.

## 9. Stockholders' Equity

### Series B Convertible Preferred Stock

As of *March 31, 2018*, there are 100 shares of our Series B Convertible Preferred Stock ("Series B Preferred Stock") outstanding. The Series B Preferred Stock *may* be converted at any time at the option of the holder into shares of our common stock at a conversion price of \$0.35 per share, or 285,714 shares. During the *three* months ended *March 31, 2018*, there were *no* conversions or other transactions involving our Series B Preferred Stock.

### Series C Convertible Preferred Stock

As of *March 31, 2018*, there are 2,570 shares of our Series C Convertible Preferred Stock ("Series C Preferred Stock") outstanding. The Series C Preferred Stock *may* be converted at any time at the option of the holder into shares of our common stock at a conversion price of \$0.015 per share, or 171,349,733 shares. During the *three* months ended *March 31, 2018*, there were *no* conversions or other transactions involving our Series C Preferred Stock.

### Series D Convertible Preferred Stock

As of *March 31, 2018*, there are 550 shares of our Series D Convertible Preferred Stock ("Series D Preferred Stock") outstanding. The Series D Preferred Stock *may* be converted at any time at the option of the holder into shares of our common stock at a conversion price of \$0.015 per share, or 36,666,666 shares. During the *three* months ended *March 31, 2018*, 450 shares our Series D Preferred Stock were converted into 30,000,000 shares of our common

stock.

### Series E Convertible Preferred Stock

In *March 2018*, we issued *600* shares of our Series E Convertible Preferred Stock, *\$1,000* stated value (“Series E Preferred Stock”), for net proceeds, after deduction of certain expenses, of *\$590,000*.

Each share of Series E Preferred Stock is entitled to a liquidation preference equal to the initial purchase price, has *no* voting rights, and is *not* entitled to a dividend. The Series E Preferred Stock is convertible at any time at the option of the holders into shares of our common stock, with an initial conversion price of *\$0.08* per share. The Series E Preferred Shares contains price adjustment provisions, which *may*, under certain circumstances, reduce the conversion price on future dates according to a formula based on the then-current market price for our common stock.

We assessed the Series E Preferred Stock under ASC Topic 480, “*Distinguishing Liabilities from Equity*” (“ASC 480”), ASC Topic 815, “*Derivatives and Hedging*” (“ASC 815”), and ASC Topic 470, “*Debt*” (“ASC 470”). The preferred stock contains an embedded feature allowing an optional conversion by the holder into common stock which meets the definition of a derivative. However, we determined that the preferred stock is an “equity host” (as described by ASC 815) for purposes of assessing the embedded derivative for potential bifurcation and that the optional conversion feature is clearly and closely associated to the preferred stock host; therefore, the embedded derivative does *not* require bifurcation and separate recognition under ASC 815. During the *three* months ended *March 31, 2018*, there were *no* conversions or other transactions involving our Series E Preferred Stock

### Common Stock Transactions

As discussed above, during the *three* months ended *March 31, 2018*, we issued *30,000,000* shares of our common stock pursuant to the conversion of *450* shares of our Series D Preferred Stock.

During the *three* months ended *March 31, 2018*, we issued *5,000,000* shares of our common stock in connection with our entering into a financial advisory and investment banking agreement.

Stock Options

The following table presents a summary of our stock option transactions during the *three* months ended *March 31, 2018*:

	Number of Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price
Outstanding at December 31, 2017	7,024,275	\$ 0.29
Granted	--	--
Exercised	--	--
Forfeited or expired	(68,334 )	0.06
Outstanding at March 31, 2018	6,955,941	\$ 0.29
Exercisable at March 31, 2018	1,960,284	\$ 0.90

Stock Purchase Warrants

On *February 28, 2018*, in connection with issuance of the note payable discussed in Note 7, we issued a *five*-year warrant to purchase 178,571 shares of our common stock at a purchase price of \$0.042 per share. We had *no* other stock purchase warrants outstanding at *March 31, 2018*.

Stock-Based Compensation Expense

Stock-based compensation expense related to our stock option plans was \$23,978 and \$14,580 during the *three*-month periods ended *March 31, 2018* and *2017*, respectively. Stock-based compensation expense related to stock options is recognized on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period for the award and is allocated to research and development expense or general and administrative expense based upon the related employee classification. As of *March 31, 2018*, there was \$194,302 of unrecognized compensation expense related to stock options, which we expect to recognize over a weighted average period of 2.4 years.

Additionally, during the *three*-month period ended *March 31, 2018* we recorded stock-based compensation expense of \$28,571 associated with common stock issued for financial advisory services. As of *March 31, 2018*, there was \$171,429 of unrecognized stock-based compensation expense associated with this arrangement, which we expect to

recognize during the remainder of 2018.

## **10. Income Taxes**

Because of our historically significant net operating losses, we have *not* paid income taxes since inception. We maintain deferred tax assets that reflect the net tax effects of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for income tax purposes. These deferred tax assets are comprised primarily of net operating loss carryforwards and also include amounts relating to nonqualified stock options and research and development credits. The net deferred tax asset has been fully offset by a valuation allowance because of the uncertainty of our future profitability and our ability to utilize the deferred tax assets. Utilization of operating losses and credits will be subject to substantial annual limitations due to ownership change provisions of Section 382 of the Internal Revenue Code. The annual limitation will result in the expiration of net operating losses and credits before utilization.

## **11. Grants and Collaboration Revenue**

We receive ongoing payments pursuant to grants and contracts from the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) in support of our vaccine research and development efforts. We record revenue associated with government grants and contracts as the reimbursable costs are incurred. During the *three-month* periods ended *March 31, 2018* and *2017*, we recorded \$216,299 and \$295,735, respectively, of revenues associated with these grants and contracts. As of *March 31, 2018*, there is an aggregate of \$265,396 in approved grant funds available for use.

During the *first* quarter of *2018*, we recorded \$5,000 of revenue associated with a collaboration with the U.S. Naval Research Laboratory (USNRL) for development of high-quality antibodies useful for detection of Lassa virus.

## **12. Subsequent Events**

In *April 2018*, NIAID awarded us a Fast Track Phase I/II Small Business Innovative Research (SBIR) grant entitled “*Construction and efficacy testing of novel recombinant vaccine designs for eliciting both broadly neutralizing antibodies and T cells against Lassa virus.*” The initial Phase I grant award is \$299,820 for the project period *April 9, 2018* to *March 31, 2019*.

During *April 2018*, we issued *10,000,000* shares of our common stock pursuant to the conversion of *150* shares of our Series D Preferred Stock.

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

**FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS**

*In addition to historical information, the information included in this Form 10-Q contains forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements involve numerous risks and uncertainties, including but not limited to the risk factors set forth under the heading "Risk Factors" in the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017, and should not be relied upon as predictions of future events. Certain such forward-looking statements can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology such as "believes," "expects," "may," "will," "should," "seeks," "approximately," "intends," "plans," "pro forma," "estimates," or "anticipates" or other variations thereof or comparable terminology, or by discussions of strategy, plans, or intentions. Such forward-looking statements are necessarily dependent on assumptions, data, or methods that may be incorrect or imprecise and may be incapable of being realized. The following factors, among others, could cause actual results and future events to differ materially from those set forth or contemplated in the forward-looking statements:*

*whether we can raise additional capital as and when we need it;*  
*whether we are successful in developing our products;*  
*whether we are able to obtain regulatory approvals in the United States and other countries for sale of our products;*  
*whether we can compete successfully with others in our market; and*  
*whether we are adversely affected in our efforts to raise cash by the volatility and disruption of local and national economic, credit and capital markets and the economy in general.*

*Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on forward-looking statements, which reflect our management's analysis only. We assume no obligation to update forward-looking statements.*

**Overview**

GeoVax is a clinical-stage biotechnology company developing human vaccines against infectious diseases and cancer using a novel patented Modified Vaccinia Ankara-Virus Like Particle (MVA-VLP) vaccine platform. In this platform, MVA, a large virus capable of carrying several vaccine antigens, expresses proteins that assemble into highly effective VLP immunogens in the person being vaccinated. The MVA-VLP derived vaccines elicit durable immune responses in the host similar to a live-attenuated virus, while providing the safety characteristics of a replication-defective vector.

Our current development programs are focused on preventive vaccines against Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV), Zika Virus, hemorrhagic fever viruses (Ebola, Sudan, Marburg, and Lassa), and malaria, as well as therapeutic vaccines for chronic Hepatitis B infections and cancers. Our most advanced vaccine program is focused on the clade B subtype of HIV prevalent in the larger commercial markets of the Americas, Western Europe, Japan and Australia; this program is currently undergoing human clinical trials.

Our corporate strategy is to advance and protect our vaccine platform and use its unique capabilities to design and develop an array of products. We aim to advance products through to human clinical testing, and to seek partnership or licensing arrangements for commercialization. We will also leverage third party resources through collaborations and partnerships for preclinical and clinical testing. Our collaborators and partners include the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) of the National Institutes of Health (NIH), the HIV Vaccines Trial Network (HVTN), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), United States Army Research Institute of Infectious Disease (USAMRIID), U.S. Naval Research Laboratory (USNRL), Emory University, University of Pittsburgh, Georgia State University Research Foundation, Peking University, University of Texas Medical Branch (UTMB), the Institute of Human Virology (IHV) at the University of Maryland, the Scripps Research Institute (TSRI), Burnet Institute in Australia, American Gene Technologies, Inc. (AGT), ViaMune, Inc., Vaxeal Holding SA, and CaroGen Corporation.

We have not generated any revenues from the sale of any such products, and we do not expect to generate any such revenues for at least the next several years. Our product candidates will require significant additional research and development efforts, including extensive preclinical and clinical testing. All product candidates that we advance to clinical testing will require regulatory approval prior to commercial use and will require significant costs for commercialization. We may not be successful in our research and development efforts, and we may never generate sufficient product revenue to be profitable.

### **Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates**

Our financial statements are prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. The preparation of these financial statements requires us to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses and related disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. On an ongoing basis, we evaluate our estimates make adjustments as necessary. We base our estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions that we believe to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ materially from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions.

For a description of critical accounting policies that affect our significant judgments and estimates used in the preparation of our financial statements, refer to Item 7 in Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and Note 2 to our Consolidated Financial Statements contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017. There have been no significant changes to our critical accounting policies from those disclosed in our 2017 Annual Report.

### **Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

Information regarding recent accounting pronouncements is contained in Note 3 to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements, included in this Quarterly Report.

### **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

Our principal uses of cash are to finance our research and development activities. Since inception, we have funded these activities primarily from government grants and clinical trial assistance, and from sales of our equity securities. At March 31, 2018, we had cash and cash equivalents of \$571,154 and total assets of \$839,505, as compared to \$312,727 and \$490,235, respectively, at December 31, 2017. At March 31, 2018, we had a working capital deficit of \$117,115, compared to a deficit of \$363,218 at December 31, 2017. Our current liabilities at March 31, 2018 includes \$838,108 of accrued management salaries and director fees, payment of which is continuing to be deferred as discussed further below.

Net cash used in operating activities was \$381,573 and \$332,098 for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively. The variances between periods are due to fluctuations in our net losses, offset by non-cash charges such as depreciation and stock-based compensation expense, and by net changes in our assets and liabilities. Our net losses generally fluctuate based on expenditures for our research activities, partially offset by government grant revenues. As of March 31, 2018, there is \$265,396 in approved grant funds available for use. Additionally, in April 2018, NIAID awarded us a Fast Track Phase I/II Small Business Innovative Research (SBIR) grant to support our vaccine development efforts for Lassa virus. The initial Phase I grant award is \$299,820 for the project period April 9, 2018 to March 31, 2019. See "Results of Operations – Grant and Collaboration Revenues" below for additional details concerning our government grants.

Members of our executive management team and our board of directors continue to defer portions of their salaries and fees in order to help conserve the Company's cash resources. As of March 31, 2018, the accumulated deferrals totaled \$838,108. We expect the ongoing deferrals of approximately \$30,200 per month for the management salaries and approximately \$28,000 per quarter for the board of director fees to continue until such time as a significant financing event (as determined by the board of directors) is consummated.

NIAID has funded the costs of conducting all of our human clinical trials (Phase 1 and Phase 2a) to date for our preventive HIV vaccines, with GeoVax incurring certain costs associated with manufacturing the clinical vaccine supplies and other study support. NIAID is also currently funding the cost of an ongoing Phase 1 trial (HVTN 114), which is investigating the effect of adding a “protein boost” component to our vaccine. Concurrently, a preclinical study in non-human primates (funded by a NIAID grant) is evaluating two additional proteins specifically chosen as boosting agents for GOVX-B11, and planning is underway for a Phase 1 trial to evaluate the safety and immunogenicity of these proteins in humans, which we expect to begin in the second half of 2018. Based on the results from these studies, we expect NIAID may then be ready to support a large phase 2b efficacy trial.

Net cash used in investing activities was \$-0- and \$4,350 for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively. Our investing activities have consisted predominantly of capital expenditures.

Net cash provided by financing activities was \$640,000 and \$49,167 for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively. During February 2018, we entered into a Senior Note Purchase Agreement with Georgia Research Alliance, Inc. pursuant to which we issued a five-year Senior Promissory Note (the “Note”) for \$50,000. The Note bears an annual interest rate of 5%, payable monthly, with principal repayments beginning in the second year. During March 2018, we sold shares of our Series E convertible preferred stock for net proceeds of \$590,000. During the three-month period ended March 31, 2017, warrants to purchase shares of our common stock were exercised for net proceeds of \$49,167.

As of March 31, 2018, we had an accumulated deficit of \$38.5 million. We expect for the foreseeable future we will continue to operate at a loss. The amount of the accumulated deficit will continue to increase, as it will be expensive to continue our research and development efforts. We will continue to require substantial funds to continue our activities and cannot predict the outcome of our efforts. We believe that our existing cash resources, combined with funding from existing NIH grants and clinical trial support will be sufficient to fund our planned operations into the third quarter of 2018. We will require additional funds to continue our planned operations beyond that date. We are currently seeking sources of capital through additional government grant programs and clinical trial support, and we may also conduct additional offerings of our equity securities. However, additional funding may not be available on favorable terms or at all and if we fail to obtain additional capital when needed, we may be required to delay, scale back, or eliminate some or all of our research and development programs as well as reduce our general and administrative expenses.

### *Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements*

We have no off-balance sheet arrangements that are likely or reasonably likely to have a material effect on our financial condition or results of operations.

### *Contractual Obligations*

As of March 31, 2018, we had noncancelable lease obligations and other firm purchase obligations totaling approximately \$117,000, as compared to approximately \$235,000 at December 31, 2017. We have no committed lines of credit and no other committed funding or long-term debt, with the exception of the \$50,000 note payable to GRA. We have employment agreements with our senior management team, each of which may be terminated with 30 days advance notice. There have been no other material changes to the table presented in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017.

## **Results of Operations**

### *Net Loss*

We recorded a net loss of \$621,813 for the three-month period ended March 31, 2018, as compared to \$548,341 for the three-month period ended March 31, 2017. Our net losses typically fluctuate due to the timing of activities and related costs associated with our vaccine research and development activities and our general and administrative costs, as described below.

### *Grant and Collaboration Revenues*

During the three-month period ended March 31, 2018, we recorded grant and collaboration revenues of \$221,299, as compared to \$295,735 during the comparable period of 2017. Grant revenues relate to grants and contracts from NIAID in support of our vaccine development activities. We record revenue associated with these grants as the related costs and expenses are incurred. The difference in our grant revenues from period to period is dependent upon our expenditures for activities supported by the grants, and fluctuates based on the timing of the expenditures.

Additional detail concerning our grant revenues and the remaining funds available for use as of March 31, 2018 is presented in the table below.

Grant/Contract No.	Grant Revenues Recorded During		Approved Funds
	Three-Month Periods Ended March 31,		Available at
	2018	2017	March 31, 2018
SBIR Grant No. R44AI106422 (HIV)	\$187,511	\$194,126	\$196,857
SBIR Grant No. R43AI134200 (Zika)	28,788	-	68,539
SBIR Grant No. R43AI120887 (HIV)	-	54,803	-
Staged Vaccine Development Contract (HIV)	-	46,806	-
Total	\$216,299	\$295,735	\$265,396

During the three-month period ended March 31, 2018, we recorded \$5,000 of revenue associated with a collaboration with the U.S. Naval Research Laboratory (USNRL) for development of high-quality antibodies useful for detection of Lassa virus.

In April 2018, NIAID awarded us a Fast Track Phase I/II Small Business Innovative Research (SBIR) grant to support our vaccine development efforts for Lassa virus. The initial Phase I grant award is \$299,820 for the project period April 9, 2018 to March 31, 2019.

#### *Research and Development Expenses*

Our research and development expenses were \$486,994 and \$551,795 for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively. Research and development expense for these periods includes stock-based compensation expense of \$10,951 and \$6,660, respectively (see discussion under “Stock-Based Compensation Expense” below).

Our research and development expenses can fluctuate considerably on a period-to-period basis, depending on our need for vaccine manufacturing by third parties, the timing of expenditures related to our grants from NIAID, the timing of costs associated with any clinical trials being funded directly by us, and other factors. The overall decrease in research and development expense from the 2017 period to 2018 is primarily attributable to lower expenditures related to the activities supported by our grants from NIAID. Our research and development costs do not include costs incurred by the HVTN in conducting clinical trials of our preventive HIV vaccines; those costs are funded directly to the HVTN by NIAID.



We do not disclose our research and development expenses by project, since our employees' time is spread across multiple programs and our laboratory facility is used for multiple vaccine candidates. We track the direct cost of research and development expenses related to government grant revenue by the percentage of assigned employees' time spent on each grant and other direct costs associated with each grant. Indirect costs associated with grants are not tracked separately but are applied based on a contracted overhead rate negotiated with the NIH. Therefore, the recorded revenues associated with government grants approximates the costs incurred.

We do not provide forward-looking estimates of costs and time to complete our research programs due to the many uncertainties associated with vaccine development. Due to these uncertainties, our future expenditures are likely to be highly volatile in future periods depending on the outcomes of the trials and studies. As we obtain data from pre-clinical studies and clinical trials, we may elect to discontinue or delay vaccine development programs to focus our resources on more promising vaccine candidates. Completion of preclinical studies and human clinical trials may take several years or more, but the length of time can vary substantially depending upon several factors. The duration and the cost of future clinical trials may vary significantly over the life of the project because of differences arising during development of the human clinical trial protocols, including the number of patients that ultimately participate in the clinical trial; the duration of patient follow-up that seems appropriate in view of the results; the number of clinical sites included in the clinical trials; and the length of time required to enroll suitable patient subjects.

#### *General and Administrative Expenses*

Our general and administrative expenses were \$357,228 and \$292,667 for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively. General and administrative costs include officers' salaries, legal and accounting costs, patent costs, and other general corporate expenses. General and administrative expense includes stock-based compensation expense of \$41,598 and \$7,920 for the 2018 and 2017 periods, respectively (see discussion under "Stock-Based Compensation Expense" below). Excluding stock-based compensation expense, general and administrative expenses were \$315,630 and \$284,747 for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively. The overall increase in general and administrative expense from 2017 to 2018 is attributable to costs associated with investment banking arrangements, investor relations activities, and travel. We expect that our general and administrative costs may increase in the future in support of expanded research and development activities and other general corporate activities.

#### *Stock-Based Compensation Expense*

For the three-month periods ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, the components of stock-based compensation expense were as follows:

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	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2018	2017
Stock option expense	\$23,978	\$14,580
Stock issued for services	28,571	-
Total stock-based compensation expense	\$52,549	\$14,580

In general, stock-based compensation expense is allocated to research and development expense or general and administrative expense according to the classification of cash compensation paid to the employee, consultant or director to whom the stock compensation was granted. For the three-month periods ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, stock-based compensation expense was allocated as follows:

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2018	2017
General and administrative expense	\$41,598	\$7,920
Research and development expense	10,951	6,660
Total stock-based compensation expense	\$52,549	\$14,580

*Other Income (Expense)*

Interest income for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2018 and 2017 was \$1,318 and \$386, respectively. The variances between periods are primarily attributable to cash available for investment and interest rate fluctuations. Interest expense for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2018 and 2017 was \$208 and \$-0-, respectively.

**Item 3 Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk**

Not applicable.

**Item 4 Controls and Procedures**

*Evaluation of disclosure controls and procedures*

Disclosure controls and procedures are controls and other procedures that are designed to ensure that the information required to be disclosed in reports filed or submitted under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (Exchange Act), is (1) recorded, processed, summarized, and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms and (2) accumulated and communicated to management, including the Chief Executive Officer and Principal Financial and Accounting Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

Our management has carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of our Principal Executive Officer and our Principal Financial and Accounting Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures pursuant to Exchange Act Rules 13a-15 and 15d-15 as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based on that evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that, as of the end of the period covered by this report, our disclosure controls and procedures are effective to ensure 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 the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and forms.

*Changes in internal control over financial reporting*

There was no change in our internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the three months ended March 31, 2018 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**

None.

**Item 1A Risk Factors**

For information regarding factors that could affect our results of operations, financial condition or liquidity, see the risk factors discussed under “Risk Factors” in Item 1A of our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K. See also “Forward-Looking Statements,” included in Item 2 of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. There have been no material changes from the risk factors previously disclosed in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K.

**Item 2 Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds**

None not previously disclosed on Form 8-K.

**Item 3 Defaults Upon Senior Securities**

None.

**Item 4 Mine Safety Disclosures**

Not applicable

**Item 5 Other Information**

During the period covered by this report, there was no information required to be disclosed by us in a Current Report on Form 8-K that was not so reported, nor were there any material changes to the procedures by which our security

holders may recommend nominees to our board of directors.

**Item 6 Exhibits**

The exhibits filed with this report are set forth on the exhibit index following the signature page and are incorporated by reference in their entirety into this item.

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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this quarterly report on Form 10-Q to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

GEOVAX LABS, INC.

(Registrant)

Date: May 3, 2018

By: /s/ Mark W. Reynolds  
Mark W. Reynolds  
Chief Financial Officer  
(duly authorized officer and principal  
financial officer)

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

Exhibit	<u>Description</u>
<u>Number</u>	
4.1	<u>Certificate of Designation of Preferences, Rights and Limitations of Series E Convertible Preferred Stock filed March 5, 2018 (1)</u>
4.2	<u>Form of Stock Certificate for the Series E Convertible Preferred Stock (1)</u>
10.1	<u>Form of Securities Purchase Agreement dated March 5, 2018 (1)</u>
10.2	<u>Senior Note Purchase Agreement between Georgia Research Alliance, Inc. and GeoVax Labs, Inc., dated February 28, 2018 (2)</u>
10.3	<u>Common Stock Purchase Warrant dated February 28, 2018 (2)</u>
10.4	<u>Agreement with Maxim Group LLC dated February 14, 2018 (2)</u>
31.1*	<u>Certification pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) or 15d-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934</u>
31.2*	<u>Certification pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) or 15d-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934</u>
32.1*	<u>Certification pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted by Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002</u>
32.2*	<u>Certification pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted by Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002</u>
101**	The following financial information from GeoVax Labs, Inc. Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2018, formatted in Extensible Business Reporting Language (XBRL): (i) Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets as of March 31, 2018 (unaudited) and December 31, 2017, (ii) Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations (unaudited) for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, (iii) Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (unaudited) for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, and (iv) Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited).

\* Filed herewith

Pursuant to Rule 406T of Regulation S-T, the Interactive Data Files in Exhibit 101 hereto are deemed not filed or part of a registration statement or prospectus for purposes of Sections 11 or 12 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, are deemed not filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended and otherwise are not subject to liability under those sections

(1) Incorporated by reference from the registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed March 6, 2018.

(2) Incorporated by reference from the registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed March 23, 2018