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### GENERAL FORM FOR REGISTRATION OF SECURITIES Pursuant to Section 12(b) or (g) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

#### MUSTANG BIO, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

47-3828760 Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of (I.R.S. Employer Incorporation or Organization) Identification No.) 2 Gansevoort Street, 9th Floor New York, New York 10014 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code) Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (781) 652-4500 Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: (Title of Class) (Name of exchange on which registered) n/a n/a Securities registered pursuant to section 12(g) of the Act: (Title of Class) Common Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer Smaller reporting company Non-accelerated filer ☐ (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) X

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# SPECIAL CAUTIONARY NOTICE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Certain matters discussed in this registration statement may constitute forward-looking statements for purposes of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause our actual results, performance or achievements to be materially different from the future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. The words "anticipate," "estimate," "expect" and similar expressions are generally intended to identify forward-looking statements. Our actual results may differ materially from the results anticipated in these forward-looking statements due to a variety of factors, including, without limitation, those discussed under the captions "Risk Factors," and elsewhere in this registration statement. All written or oral forward-looking statements attributable to us are expressly qualified in their entirety by these cautionary statements. Such forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements about our:

- · expectations for increases or decreases in expenses;
- expectations for the clinical and pre-clinical development, manufacturing, regulatory approval, and commercialization of our pharmaceutical product candidates or any other products we may acquire or in-license;
- · our use of clinical research centers and other contractors;
- · expectations for incurring capital expenditures to expand our research and development and manufacturing capabilities;
- · expectations for generating revenue or becoming profitable on a sustained basis;
- · expectations or ability to enter into marketing and other partnership agreements;
- · expectations or ability to enter into product acquisition and in-licensing transactions;
- · expectations or ability to build our own commercial infrastructure to manufacture, market and sell our drug candidates;
- · acceptance of our products by doctors, patients or payors;
- · our ability to compete against other companies and research institutions;
- · our ability to secure adequate protection for our intellectual property;
- · our ability to attract and retain key personnel;
- · availability of reimbursement for our products;
- · estimates of the sufficiency of our existing cash and cash equivalents and investments to finance our operating requirements, including expectations regarding the value and liquidity of our investments;
- · the volatility of our stock price;
- · expected losses; and
- · expectations for future capital requirements.

The forward-looking statements contained in this registration statement reflect our views and assumptions as of the effective date of this registration statement. Except as required by law, we assume no responsibility for updating any forward-looking statements.

We qualify all of our forward-looking statements by these cautionary statements.

References in this registration statement to "Mustang Bio," "Mustang," "our company," "we," "us" and "our" refer to Mustang Bio, Inc., a Delaware company.

#### Item 1. Business

#### OVERVIEW

We are a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on the development and commercialization of novel cancer immunotherapy products designed to utilize the power of the patient's own immune system to eliminate cancer cells. We aim to acquire rights to these technologies by licensing or otherwise acquiring an ownership interest in the technologies, funding their research and development and eventually either out-licensing or bringing the technologies to market. Currently we are developing our proprietary Chimeric Antigen Receptor (CAR) engineered T cells (CAR-T) technology, which we licensed from Dr. Stephen Forman's laboratory at the City of Hope National Medical Center (COH). CAR-T uses the patient's own T cells to engage and destroy specific tumors. The process involves selecting specific T cell subtypes, genetically engineering them to express chimeric antigen T cell receptors and placing them back in the patient where they recognize and destroy cancer cells.

Several companies have promising CAR-T therapies that are in various phases of clinical and pre-clinical development and which target different cancer indications. Pursuant to the COH license agreement, we obtained an exclusive license to intellectual property rights pertaining to several CAR-T patents developed by COH for the treatment and diagnosis of all human diseases. Because the license is exclusive, worldwide and granted to Mustang comprehensive rights as to use, manufacture and sale, it conveyed practical ownership of the intellectual property to Mustang, and we therefore view such intellectual property as proprietary.

Our exclusive license and sponsored research agreement with Dr. Stephen Forman's laboratory at the COH encompasses specific chimeric T cell constructions and enabling process technologies including linker technology improvements. This agreement covers the discovery, manufacturing and clinical development of novel CAR-T cells along with specified rights to any and all inventions.

We are currently in Phase 1 trials treating glioblastoma patients. Dr. Forman's laboratory has developed proprietary engineered CAR-T cells targeting Interleukin13 Receptor a2, which is overexpressed on the surface of glioblastoma cells.

We have filed another IND for the treatment of patients with acute myeloid leukemia (AML). Dr. Forman's laboratory has developed a proprietary CAR-based targeting of CD123, which is overexpressed on the surface of many cells giving rise to hematologic malignancies, using engineered T cells for treatment of AML.

Additionally, under our sponsored preclinical research agreement with COH, the COH is developing additional CAR-T cell constructions targeting a number of tumor associated antigens specific for the variety of solid and hematological malignancies. The effectiveness of certain of these additional CAR-T cell constructs already has been demonstrated in preclinical studies with mouse xenograft models of specific human tumors. Under the sponsored research agreement, we have the right to license newly developed CAR-T constructs. We intend to further pursue preclinical development to validate and seek to establish the proprietary nature of the most promising CAR-T approaches coming out of the sponsored research program and, if successful, we would license and take forward into clinical studies.

To date, we have not received approval for the sale of our product candidates in any market and, therefore, have not generated any product sales from our product candidates.

We are a majority controlled subsidiary of Fortress Biotech, Inc. ("Fortress").

#### CORPORATE INFORMATION

Mustang Bio, Inc. was incorporated in Delaware on March 13, 2015. Our executive offices are located at 2 Gansevoort Street, New York, NY 10014. Our telephone number is (781) 652-4500, and our email address is info@mustangbio.com.

We are currently filing for registration under this Form 10 under the Exchange Act and we are not subject to the reporting requirements of section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act.

#### PRODUCTS UNDER DEVELOPMENT

#### IL13Ra2 CAR-T Cell Program for Glioblastoma

Glioblastoma multiforme (GBM) is the most common brain and central nervous system (CNS) cancer, accounting for 15.1% of all primary brain tumors, and 55.1% of all gliomas. There are an estimated 12,120 new glioblastoma cases predicted in 2016 in the U.S. Malignant brain tumors are the most common cause of cancer-related deaths in adolescents and young adults aged 15-39 and the most common cancer occurring among 15-19 year olds in the U.S. While GBM is a rare disease (2-3 cases per 100,000 persons per year in the U.S. and E.U.), it is quite lethal with 5-year survival rates historically less than 10%. Standard of care therapy consists of maximal surgical resection, radiation and chemotherapy with temozolomide, which, while rarely curative, are shown to extend median overall survival from 4.5 to 15 months. GBM remains difficult to treat due to the inherent resistance of the tumor to conventional therapies.

Immunotherapy approaches targeting brain tumors offer promise over conventional treatments. IL13Ra2 is an attractive target for CAR-T therapy, as it has limited expression in normal tissue but is over-expressed on the surface of greater than 50% of GBMs. CAR-T cells are designed to express membrane-tethered IL-13 receptor ligand (IL-13) mutated at a single site (glutamic acid at position 13 to a tyrosine; E13Y) with high affinity for IL13Ra2 and reduced binding to IL13Ra1 in order to reduce healthy tissue targeting (Kahlon, Cancer Research 2004).

We are developing an optimized CAR-T product incorporating enhancements in CAR-T design and T cell engineering to improve antitumor potency and T cell persistence. We include a second generation hinge optimized CAR-T cell containing mutations in the IgG4 linker to reduce off target Fc interactions (Jonalaggada, Mol Therapy) as well as the 41BB (CD137) co-stimulatory signaling domain for improved survival and maintenance of memory T cells as well as extracellular domain of CD19as a selection/ tracking marker. In order to further improve persistence, central memory T-cells ( $T_{CM}$ ) are isolated and enriched. The manufacturing process limits ex vivo expansion, which is designed to reduce T cell exhaustion and maintain a  $T_{CM}$  phenotype. These CAR-T modified  $T_{CM}$  cells are shown to be more potent and persistent than earlier generations of IL-13 based CAR-Ts in mouse xenograft models of GBM.

We currently have an open IND to assess the feasibility and safety of using T<sub>CM</sub> enriched IL13Ra2-specific CAR engineered T cells for clinical study participants with recurrent/refractory malignant glioma. This IND was submitted on October 27, 2014, with COH as the sponsor. We have currently enrolled and treated the first 10 patients as of July 7, 2016. Our collaborators at the COH presented the preliminary data for this first cohort of patients. The investigators reported that the CAR-T cells were well tolerated (meaning that no dose limiting toxicities were seen to date). The investigators also reported on a patient that they determined had a complete response to treatment (based on the imaging and clinical features set forth by the Response Assessment in Neuro-Oncology Criteria (RANO)). The next step is to continue to enroll patients in this Phase 1 study to determine the maximum tolerated dose, and a recommended Phase 2 dose. Additionally, in this Phase 1 study, we are exploring optimum modes of delivery for CAR-T cells for the treatment of GBM.

The clinical trial endpoints, which were first received on August 1, 2014 and are current as of July 7, 2016 are as follows:

#### Primary Objectives:

- (1) To assess the feasibility and safety of intratumoral (stratum 1) or intracavitary (stratum 2) or intraventricular (stratum 3) cellular immunotherapy utilizing ex vivo expanded autologous central memory T cells (TCM)-enriched T cells that are genetically modified using a self-inactivating (SIN) lentiviral vector to express a interleukin 13 receptor alpha 2 (IL13Rα2)-specific, hinge-optimized, 41BB-costimulatory chimeric antigen receptor (CAR), as well as a truncated human cluster of differentiation 19 (CD19) (IL13 [EQ]BBzeta/truncated CD19[t]+ TCM) (IL13Rα2-specific, hinge-optimized, 41BB-costimulatory CAR/truncated CD19-expressing T lymphocytes), for research participants with recurrent/refractory malignant glioma.
- (2) To determine maximum tolerated dose schedule (MTD) and a recommended phase II dosing plan (RP2D) for each strata based on dose limiting toxicities (DLTs) and the full toxicity profile.

### Secondary Objectives:

- (1) To assess the timing and extent of brain inflammation, as assessed by magnetic resonance imaging (MRI)/magnetic resonance spectroscopy (MRS), following T cell
- (2) To describe cytokine levels (cyst fluid, peripheral blood) over the study period.
- (3) In research participants who receive the full schedule of three T cell doses: estimate the six month progression free survival rate, disease response rates, and median overall survival.
- (4) In research participants who receive intraventricular infusions after progressing following intracranial infusions (stratum 1 or 2): estimate disease response rate and overall survival if the sample size is large enough.
- (5) In research participants who receive at least one dose of T cells estimate the mean change from baseline in quality of life using the European Organization for Research and Treatment of Cancer (EORTC) quality of life questionnaire (QLQ)-C30 and EORTC QLQ brain neoplasm (BN)-20 survey scale, domain and item scores during and post treatment.
- (6) For study participants who undergo a second resection or autopsy: To evaluate T cell persistence in the tumor micro-environment and the location of the T cells with respect to the injection site, and to evaluate IL13Ra2 antigen expression levels pre and post T cell therapy.

## CD 123 CAR T cell Program for AML

#### Overview

CD123 is a subunit of the heterodimeric interleukin-3-receptor (IL-3R) which is widely expressed on human hematologic malignancies including acute myeloid leukemia (AML). In addition, CD123 can be found on the surface of B cell acute lymphoblastic leukemia (B-ALL), hairy cell leukemia, blastic plasmacytoid dendritic cell neoplasm (BPDCN), chronic myeloid leukemia (CML) and Hodgkin's lymphoma.

Of these malignancies, we are currently investigating CD123 as a target for adoptive cellular immunotherapy in AML since high CD123 expression is associated with enhanced AML blast proliferation, increased resistance of blasts to apoptosis, and poor clinical prognosis.

Acute Myeloid Leukemia is a cancer of the myeloid line of blood cells characterized by rapid growth of abnormal white blood cells that accumulate in the bone marrow. AML is the most common form of acute leukemia. Although AML is a relatively rare disease there are approximately 20,000 new cases per year in the US and 10,000 deaths per year, accounting for approximately 1.8% of cancer deaths in the US (The Surveillance, Epidemiology, and End Results (SEER) Program of the National Cancer Institute). AML standard of care involves chemotherapy to induce remission followed by additional chemotherapy or hematopoietic stem cell transplant. Allogeneic stem cell transplantation is the preferred treatment route for AML following a second remission. It can lead to a 5-year disease free survival in 26% of patients. Unfortunately, however, currently, only about half of relapsed patients are able to achieve a second remission with traditional chemotherapy agents. Patients who do not achieve a second remission are much less likely to benefit from transplantation and face a dismal outcome.

The use of CAR-T immunotherapy in relapsed AML patients may offer the potential to achieve a complete or longer lasting remission. We have developed CD123 targeted CAR-T cells designed both to be activated to proliferate and to kill CD123 expressing tumor cells (Mardiros A, Santos C Dos. T cells expressing CD123-specific chimeric antigen receptors exhibit specific cytolytic effector functions and antitumor effects against human acute myeloid leukemia. Blood. 2013;122(18):3138-3148). The therapy is designed to recognize and eliminate leukemic cells, leading to remission in patients with relapsed or refractory AML, and could serve as a bridge to potentially curative allogenic stem cell transplant. The manufacturing process genetically modifies T cells isolated from peripheral blood mononuclear cells in order to express a CD123-specific, hinge-optimized, CD28 co-stimulatory domain expressing CAR as well as a truncated EGFR (EGFRt) selection/tracking marker (Wang Blood). EGFRt also has the potential to act as a safety switch to allow depletion of CAR-T cells in the patients if needed.

We have an open IND for a Phase 1 clinical study to assess the anti-tumor activity and safety of administering CAR T cells and we have currently treated our first patient as of July 7, 2016. This IND was submitted on April 20, 2015, with COH as the sponsor. We will assess the T cell persistence and determine the potential immunogenicity of the cells to determine a recommended Phase 2 dose.

The clinical trial endpoints, which were first received on June 6, 2014 and are current as of July 7, 2016 are as follows:

#### Primary Objectives:

- (1) To assess the anti-tumor activity and safety of cellular immunotherapy utilizing ex vivo expanded T cells that are genetically modified using a self-inactivating (SIN) lentiviral vector to express a co-stimulatory cluster of differentiation (CD)123-specific chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) as well as a truncated human epidermal growth factor receptor (EGFR) (CD123R[EQ]28zeta[Z]/truncated human EGFR [EGFRt]+ T cells) (anti CD123-CAR/CD28-costimulatory, lentiviral vector-transduced autologous T lymphocytes) following lymphodepletion for patients with relapsed or refractory acute myeloid leukemia (AML).
- (2) To determine the recommended Phase II dose (RP2D).

Secondary Objectives:

(1) To assess activity in the form of T cell persistence and immunogenicity of CD123R(EQ)28Z/EGFRt+ T cells up to 28 days post T cell infusion.

Tertiary Objectives:

(1) To assess impact on hematopoiesis, change from baseline in numbers of CD123+ blood cells, CD123 expression on leukemia cells and hematopoietic cells, and the clinical efficacy of EGFRt mediated CAR T cell ablation.

# COSTS AND TIME TO COMPLETE PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT

The information below provides estimates regarding the costs associated with the completion of the current development phase and our current estimated range of the time that will be necessary to complete that development phase for our product candidates. For a description of the risk factors that could significantly affect our ability to meet these cost and time estimates, see Item 1A of this Registration Statement.

	Product	Target Indication	Development	Estimated time to	Estimated cost to	
	Troduct		Stage	complete phase	complete phase	
	IL13Ra2-CAR- T	Glioblastoma	Phase 1/2	Q1 2018	\$2.5-5 Million	
	CD123 CAR-T	AML	Phase 1/2	Q3 2018	\$2.5-5 Million	

Completion dates and costs in the above table are estimates due to the uncertainties associated with preclinical research activities, clinical trials and the related requirements of development. In the cases where the requirements for preclinical development, clinical trials and development programs have not been fully defined, or are dependent on the success of other research findings or trials, we cannot estimate trial completion or cost with any certainty. The actual spending on each trial or the decision to advance programs to the next stage during the year is also dependent on funding.

#### INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND PATENTS

#### General

Our goal is to obtain, maintain and enforce patent protection for our products, formulations, processes, methods and other proprietary technologies, preserve our trade secrets, and operate without infringing on the proprietary rights of other parties, both in the US and in other countries. Our policy is to actively seek to obtain, where appropriate, the broad intellectual property protection for our product candidates, proprietary information and proprietary technology through a combination of contractual arrangements and patents, both in the US and elsewhere in the world.

We also depend upon the skills, knowledge and experience of our scientific and technical personnel, as well as that of our advisors, consultants and other contractors ("know-how"). To help protect our proprietary know-how which is not patentable, and for inventions for which patents may be difficult to enforce, we rely on trade secret protection and confidentiality agreements to protect our interests. To this end, we require all employees, consultants, advisors and other contractors to enter into confidentiality agreements which prohibit the disclosure of confidential information and, where applicable, require disclosure and assignment to us of the ideas, developments, discoveries and inventions important to our business.

Patents and other proprietary rights are crucial to the development of our business. We will be able to protect our proprietary technologies from unauthorized use by third parties only to the extent that our proprietary rights are covered by valid and enforceable patents, supported by regulatory exclusivity or are effectively maintained as trade secrets. We have a few patents and patent applications related to our compounds and other technology, but we cannot guarantee the scope of protection of the issued patents, or that such patents will survive a validity or enforceability challenge, or that any of the pending patent applications will issue as patents.

Generally, patent applications in the US are maintained in secrecy for a period of 18 months or more. The patent positions of biotechnology and pharmaceutical companies are highly uncertain and involve complex legal and factual questions. Therefore, we cannot predict the breadth of claims allowed in biotechnology and pharmaceutical patents, or their enforceability. To date, there has been no consistent policy regarding the breadth of claims allowed in biotechnology patents. Third parties or competitors may challenge or circumvent our patents or patent applications, if issued. If our competitors prepare and file patent applications in the US that claim technology also claimed by us, we may have to participate in interference proceedings declared by the US Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) to determine priority of invention, which could result in substantial cost, even if the eventual outcome is favorable to us. Because of the extensive time required for development, testing and regulatory review of a potential product, it is possible that before we commercialize any of our products, any related patent may expire or remain in existence for only a short period following commercialization, thus reducing any advantage of the patent. However, the life of a patent covering a product that has been subject to regulatory approval may have the ability be extended through the patent restoration program, although any such extension could still be minimal.

If a patent is issued to a third party containing one or more preclusive or conflicting claims, and those claims are ultimately determined to be valid and enforceable, we may be required to obtain a license under such patent or to develop or obtain alternative technology. In the event of litigation involving a third party claim, an adverse outcome in the litigation could subject us to significant liabilities to such third party, require us to seek a license for the disputed rights from such third party, and/or require us to cease use of the technology. Further, our breach of an existing license or failure to obtain a license to technology required to commercialize our products may seriously harm our business. We also may need to commence litigation to enforce any patents issued to us or to determine the scope and validity of third-party proprietary rights. Litigation would involve substantial costs.

In March 2015 we licensed intellectual property related to CAR-T technology from City of Hope. The intellectual property includes patent applications in a number of countries, including the US and the EU, as well as pending patent applications in Japan and the developing world. These pending patent applications include compositions and methods of creating CAR-T cells targeting IL13Ra and CD123. The applications include various claims regarding additional specific features to optimize targeting, binding specificity, cell stimulation and persistence. Additional patents and pending claims we have rights to include the use of optimized hinge region for many targeted constructions such as CD19 along with compositions and methods to isolate and transfect T memory cells to improve cellular persistence. Any patents maturing from these pending applications will expire no sooner than October 2033.

In total, we have in-licensed four patent applications in the US and four patent applications outside the US. We are currently evaluating the terms of license agreements that would grant us 12 additional US patent applications and 36 patent applications outside the US.

Our sponsored research agreement gives us the right to first negotiation under specified maximum terms regarding any future inventions arising from Dr. Forman's laboratory.

### Other Intellectual Property Rights

We depend upon trademarks, trade secrets, knowhow and continuing technological advances to develop and maintain our competitive position. To maintain the confidentiality of trade secrets and proprietary information, we require our employees, scientific advisors, consultants and collaborators, upon commencement of a relationship with us, to execute confidentiality agreements and, in the case of parties other than our research and development collaborators, to agree to assign their inventions to us. These agreements are designed to protect our proprietary information and to grant us ownership of technologies that are developed in connection with their relationship with us. These agreements may not, however, provide protection for our trade secrets in the event of unauthorized disclosure of such information.

In addition to patent protection, we may utilize orphan drug regulations or other provisions of the Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act of 1938, as amended, or FDCA, to provide market exclusivity for certain of our product candidates. Orphan drug regulations provide incentives to pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies to develop and manufacture drugs for the treatment of rare diseases, currently defined as diseases that exist in fewer than 200,000 individuals in the US, or diseases that affect more than 200,000 individuals in the US but for which the sponsor does not realistically anticipate will generate a net profit. Under these provisions, a manufacturer of a designated orphan drug can seek tax benefits, and the holder of the first approval of a designated orphan product from the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), will be granted a seven year period of marketing exclusivity for such FDA approved orphan product.

### LICENSING AGREEMENTS AND COLLABORATIONS

# City of Hope

In March 2015, we entered into an Exclusive License Agreement with COH to acquire intellectual property rights pertaining to CAR-T technology. Pursuant to the agreement, in April 2015 we paid COH an upfront fee of \$2.0 million and granted them 1,000,000 shares of Class A Common Stock representing 10% of Mustang, with additional milestones due to COH upon achievement of two financing milestones totaling \$2.0 million and six development goals totaling \$14.5 million. Additional mid-single digit royalty payments on net sales of licensed products are due, with a minimum annual royalty of \$1.0 million. Royalties will be paid on a product-by-product and country-by-country basis until the expiration in each country of the valid patent claim. The term of the agreement expires on a country-by-country basis and on a patent right basis on the later to occur of the expiration of the last to expire of any of the patent rights in such country and the date on which the last of the remaining obligations under the agreement have been satisfied. Either Company or COH may terminate the agreement upon notice to the other upon breach without remedy or insolvency. In addition, we may terminate the agreement at will without cause.

We also entered into a Sponsored Research Agreement with COH pursuant to which we fund continued research in the amount of \$2.0 million per year, payable in four equal installments each year, over the next five years. The agreement expires in March 2020, but may be extended for an additional five years upon both parties consent. Either Company or COH may terminate the agreement upon notice to the other upon breach without remedy, insolvency or failure to fulfill the covenants of the agreement.

#### COMPETITION

Competition in the pharmaceutical and biotechnology industries is intense. Our competitors include pharmaceutical companies and biotechnology companies, as well as universities and public and private research institutions. In addition, companies that are active in different but related fields represent substantial competition for us. Many of our competitors have significantly greater capital resources, larger research and development staffs and facilities and greater experience in drug development, regulation, manufacturing and marketing than we do. These organizations also compete with us to recruit qualified personnel, attract partners for joint ventures or other collaborations, and license technologies that are competitive with ours. To compete successfully in this industry we must identify novel and unique drugs or methods of treatment and then complete the development of those drugs as treatments in advance of our competitors.

The drugs that we are attempting to develop will have to compete with existing therapies. In addition, a large number of companies are pursuing the development of pharmaceuticals that target the same conditions that we are targeting. Other companies have products or product candidates in various stages of pre-clinical or clinical development, or with marketing approvals, to treat conditions for which we are also seeking to discover and develop product candidates. Some of these potential competing drugs are further advanced in development than our product candidates and may be commercialized earlier.

The field of CAR-T therapy is extremely active. Companies and partnerships currently engaged in clinical trials with CAR-T modalities include Juno, Novartis/University of Pennsylvania, Bluebird Bio, Celgene/Baylor College of Medicine, Pfizer/Cellectis, Amgen/Kite Pharma, Bellicum, MD Anderson/Ziopharm and Intrexon.

#### **EMPLOYEES**

As of the date of this Registration Statement, we have no fulltime employees and three part-time employees. We anticipate that each part-time employee will devote between five to 15 hours per week to Mustang. Employees of Fortress also make valuable financial, legal, scientific and other strategic contributions to Mustang on a regular basis.

#### SUPPLY AND MANUFACTURING

As an early stage development company, we rely on COH to manufacture all materials currently used in the clinical development programs we are sponsoring at COH. Pursuant to the March 2015 Licensing Agreement with COH, we have right to make and have made the products, and we are currently negotiating Investigator-Initiated Clinical Research Support Agreements with COH which specify the manufacturing costs and numbers of patients which will be supplied under filed protocols. COH has extensive experience manufacturing clinical materials for development studies, but we are currently dependent on both their capacity limitations and continued operating success.

We have limited experience in manufacturing products for clinical or commercial purposes. We currently do not have any manufacturing capabilities. We have established, or intend to establish, contract manufacturing relationships for the preliminary supplies of our product candidates, in each case with a single manufacturer. As with any supply program, obtaining raw materials of the correct quality cannot be guaranteed, and we cannot ensure that we will be successful in this endeavor.

At the time of commercial sale, to the extent possible and commercially practicable, we would seek to engage a back-up supplier for each of our product candidates. Until such time, we expect that we will rely on a single contract manufacturer to produce each of our product candidates under current Good Manufacturing Practice ("cGMP") regulations. Our third-party manufacturers have a limited number of facilities in which our product candidates can be produced and will have limited experience in manufacturing our product candidates in quantities sufficient for commercialization. Our third-party manufacturers will have other clients and may have other priorities that could affect their ability to perform the work satisfactorily and/or on a timely basis. Both of these occurrences would be beyond our control.

We expect to similarly rely on contract manufacturing relationships for any products that we may in-license or acquire in the future. However, there can be no assurance that we will be able to successfully contract with such manufacturers on terms acceptable to us, or at all.

Contract manufacturers are subject to ongoing periodic and unannounced inspections by the FDA, the US Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) and corresponding state agencies to ensure strict compliance with cGMP and other state and federal regulations. Our contractors, if any, in Europe face similar challenges from the numerous EU and member state regulatory agencies and authorized bodies. We do not have control over third-party manufacturers' compliance with these regulations and standards, other than through contractual obligations. If they are deemed out of compliance with cGMPs, product recalls could result, inventory could be destroyed, production could be stopped and supplies could be delayed or otherwise disrupted.

If we need to change manufacturers after commercialization, the FDA and corresponding foreign regulatory agencies must approve these new manufacturers in advance, which will involve testing and additional inspections to ensure compliance with FDA regulations and standards and may require significant lead times and delay. Furthermore, switching manufacturers may be difficult because the number of potential manufacturers is limited. It may be difficult or impossible for us to find a replacement manufacturer quickly or on terms acceptable to us, or at all.

#### GOVERNMENT AND INDUSTRY REGULATIONS

Numerous governmental authorities, principally the FDA and corresponding state and foreign regulatory agencies, impose substantial regulations upon the clinical development, manufacture and marketing of our product candidates, as well as our ongoing research and development activities. None of our product candidates has been approved for sale in any market in which we have marketing rights. Before marketing in the US, any drug that we develop must undergo rigorous pre-clinical testing and clinical trials and an extensive regulatory approval process implemented by the FDA under the FDCA. The FDA regulates, among other things, the pre-clinical and clinical testing, safety, efficacy, approval, manufacturing, record keeping, adverse event reporting, packaging, labeling, storage, advertising, promotion, export, sale and distribution of biopharmaceutical products.

The regulatory review and approval process is lengthy, expensive and uncertain. We are required to submit extensive pre-clinical and clinical data and supporting information to the FDA for each indication or use to establish a product candidate's safety and efficacy before we can secure FDA approval to market or sell a product in the US. The approval process takes many years, requires the expenditure of substantial resources and may involve ongoing requirements for post-marketing studies or surveillance. Before commencing clinical trials in humans, we must submit an IND to the FDA containing, among other things, pre-clinical data, chemistry, manufacturing and control information, and an investigative plan. Our submission of an IND may not result in FDA authorization to commence a clinical trial.

The FDA may permit expedited development, evaluation, and marketing of new therapies intended to treat persons with serious or life-threatening conditions for which there is an unmet medical need under its fast track drug development programs. A sponsor can apply for fast track designation at the time of submission of an IND, or at any time prior to receiving marketing approval of the new drug application (NDA). To receive fast track designation, an applicant must demonstrate:

- that the drug is intended to treat a serious or life-threatening condition;
- that the drug is intended to treat a serious aspect of the condition; and
- that the drug has the potential to address unmet medical needs, and this potential is being evaluated in the planned drug development program.

The FDA must respond to a request for fast track designation within 60 calendar days of receipt of the request. Over the course of drug development, a product in a fast track development program must continue to meet the criteria for fast track designation. Sponsors of products in fast track drug development programs must be in regular contact with the reviewing division of the FDA to ensure that the evidence necessary to support marketing approval will be developed and presented in a format conducive to an efficient review. Sponsors of products in fast track drug development programs ordinarily are eligible for priority review of a completed application in six months or less and also may be permitted to submit portions of an NDA to the FDA for review before the complete application is submitted.

Sponsors of drugs designated as fast track also may seek approval under the FDA's accelerated approval regulations. Under this authority, the FDA may grant marketing approval for a new drug product on the basis of adequate and well-controlled clinical trials establishing that the drug product has an effect on a surrogate endpoint that is reasonably likely, based on epidemiologic, therapeutic, pathophysiologic, or other evidence, to predict clinical benefit or on the basis of an effect on a clinical endpoint other than survival or irreversible morbidity. Approval will be subject to the requirement that the applicant study the drug further to verify and describe its clinical benefit where there is uncertainty as to the relation of the surrogate endpoint to clinical benefit or uncertainty as to the relation of the observed clinical benefit to ultimate outcome. Post-marketing studies are usually underway at the time an applicant files the NDA. When required to be conducted, such post-marketing studies must also be adequate and well-controlled. The applicant must carry out any such post-marketing studies with due diligence. Many companies who have been granted the right to utilize an accelerated approval approach have failed to obtain approval. Moreover, negative or inconclusive results from the clinical trials we hope to conduct or adverse medical events could cause us to have to repeat or terminate the clinical trials. Accordingly, we may not be able to complete the clinical trials within an acceptable time frame, if at all, and, therefore, could not submit the NDA to the FDA or foreign regulatory authorities for marketing approval.

Clinical testing must meet requirements for institutional review board oversight, informed consent and good clinical practices, and must be conducted pursuant to an IND, unless exempted.

For purposes of NDA approval, clinical trials are typically conducted in the following sequential phases:

- · Phase 1: The drug is administered to a small group of humans, either healthy volunteers or patients, to test for safety, dosage tolerance, absorption, metabolism, excretion and clinical pharmacology.
- · Phase 2: Studies are conducted on a larger number of patients to assess the efficacy of the product, to ascertain dose tolerance and the optimal dose range, and to gather additional data relating to safety and potential adverse events.
- · Phase 3: Studies establish safety and efficacy in an expanded patient population.
- Phase 4: The FDA may require Phase 4 post-marketing studies to find out more about the drug's long-term risks, benefits, and optimal use, or to test the drug in different populations.

The length of time necessary to complete clinical trials varies significantly and may be difficult to predict. Clinical results are frequently susceptible to varying interpretations that may delay, limit or prevent regulatory approvals. Additional factors that can cause delay or termination of our clinical trials, or that may increase the costs of these trials, include:

- · slow patient enrollment due to the nature of the clinical trial plan, the proximity of patients to clinical sites, the eligibility criteria for participation in the study or other factors:
- · inadequately trained or insufficient personnel at the study site to assist in overseeing and monitoring clinical trials or delays in approvals from a study site's review board;
- · longer treatment time required to demonstrate efficacy or determine the appropriate product dose;
- · insufficient supply of the product candidates;
- · adverse medical events or side effects in treated patients; and
- · ineffectiveness of the product candidates.

In addition, the FDA, equivalent foreign regulatory authority, or a data safety monitoring committee for a trial may place a clinical trial on hold or terminate it if it concludes that subjects are being exposed to an unacceptable health risk, or for futility. Any drug is likely to produce some toxicity or undesirable side effects in animals and in humans when administered at sufficiently high doses and/or for a sufficiently long period of time. Unacceptable toxicity or side effects may occur at any dose level at any time in the course of studies in animals designed to identify unacceptable effects of a product candidate, known as toxicological studies, or clinical trials of product candidates. The appearance of any unacceptable toxicity or side effect could cause us or regulatory authorities to interrupt, limit, delay or abort the development of any of our product candidates and could ultimately prevent approval by the FDA or foreign regulatory authorities for any or all targeted indications.

Sponsors of drugs may apply for a special protocol assessment (SPA) from the FDA. The SPA process is a procedure by which the FDA provides official evaluation and written guidance on the design and size of proposed protocols that are intended to form the basis for a NDA. However, final marketing approval depends on the results of efficacy, the adverse event profile and an evaluation of the benefit/risk of treatment demonstrated in the Phase 3 trial. The SPA may only be changed through a written agreement between the sponsor and the FDA, or if the FDA becomes aware of a substantial scientific issue essential to product safety or efficacy.

Before receiving FDA approval to market a product, we must demonstrate that the product is safe and effective for its intended use by submitting to the FDA a NDA containing the pre-clinical and clinical data that have been accumulated, together with chemistry and manufacturing and controls specifications and information, and proposed labeling, among other things. The FDA may refuse to accept a NDA for filing if certain content criteria are not met and, even after accepting an NDA, the FDA may often require additional information, including clinical data, before approval of marketing a product.

It is also becoming more common for the FDA to request a Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategy, or REMS, as part of a NDA. The REMS plan contains post-market obligations of the sponsor to train prescribing physicians, monitor off-label drug use, and conduct sufficient Phase 4 follow-up studies and registries to ensure the continued safe use of the drug.

As part of the approval process, the FDA must inspect and approve each manufacturing facility. Among the conditions of approval is the requirement that a manufacturer's quality control and manufacturing procedures conform to cGMP. Manufacturers must expend significant time, money and effort to ensure continued compliance, and the FDA conducts periodic inspections to certify compliance. It may be difficult for our manufacturers or us to comply with the applicable cGMP, as interpreted by the FDA, and other FDA regulatory requirements. If we, or our contract manufacturers, fail to comply, then the FDA may not allow us to market products that have been affected by the failure.

If the FDA grants approval, the approval will be limited to those conditions and patient populations for which the product is safe and effective, as demonstrated through clinical studies. Further, a product may be marketed only in those dosage forms and for those indications approved in the NDA. Certain changes to an approved NDA, including, with certain exceptions, any significant changes to labeling, require approval of a supplemental application before the drug may be marketed as changed. Any products that we manufacture or distribute pursuant to FDA approvals are subject to continuing monitoring and regulation by the FDA, including compliance with cGMP and the reporting of adverse experiences with the drugs. The nature of marketing claims that the FDA will permit us to make in the labeling and advertising of our products will generally be limited to those specified in FDA approved labeling, and the advertising of our products will be subject to comprehensive monitoring and regulation by the FDA. Drugs whose review was accelerated may carry additional restrictions on marketing activities, including the requirement that all promotional materials are pre-submitted to the FDA. Claims exceeding those contained in approved labeling will constitute a violation of the FDCA. Violations of the FDCA or regulatory requirements at any time during the product development process, approval process, or marketing and sale following approval may result in agency enforcement actions, including withdrawal of approval, recall, seizure of products, warning letters, injunctions, fines and/or civil or criminal penalties. Any agency enforcement action could have a material adverse effect on our business.

Failure to comply with applicable federal, state and foreign laws and regulations would likely have a material adverse effect on our business. In addition, federal, state and foreign laws and regulations regarding the manufacture and sale of new drugs are subject to future changes.

#### Other Healthcare Laws and Compliance Requirements

In the US, our activities are potentially subject to regulation by various federal, state and local authorities in addition to the FDA, including the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (formerly the Health Care Financing Administration), other divisions of the United States Department of Health and Human Services (e.g., the Office of Inspector General), the United States Department of Justice and individual United States Attorney offices within the Department of Justice, and state and local governments.

#### Pharmaceutical Coverage, Pricing and Reimbursement

In the US and markets in other countries, sales of any products for which we receive regulatory approval for commercial sale will depend in part on the availability of reimbursement from third-party payors, including government health administrative authorities, managed care providers, private health insurers and other organizations. Third-party payors are increasingly examining the medical necessity and cost-effectiveness of medical products and services, in addition to their safety and efficacy, and, accordingly, significant uncertainty exists as to the reimbursement status of newly approved therapeutics. Adequate third party reimbursement may not be available for our products to enable us realize an appropriate return on our investment in research and product development. We are unable to predict the future course of federal or state health care legislation and regulations, including regulations that will be issued to implement provisions of the health care reform legislation enacted in 2010, known as the Affordable Care Act. The Affordable Care Act and further changes in the law or regulatory framework could have a material adverse effect on our business.

#### **International Regulation**

In addition to regulations in the US, there are a variety of foreign regulations governing clinical trials and commercial sales and distribution of any product candidates. The approval process varies from country to country, and the time may be longer or shorter than that required for FDA approval.

#### Item 1A. Risk Factors

The following information sets forth risk factors that could cause our actual results to differ materially from those contained in forward-looking statements we have made in this registration statement and those we may make from time to time. You should carefully consider the risks described below, in addition to the other information contained in this registration statement, before making an investment decision. Our business, financial condition or results of operations could be harmed by any of these risks. The risks and uncertainties described below are not the only ones we face. Additional risks not presently known to us or other factors not perceived by us to present significant risks to our business at this time also may impair our business operations.

#### Risks Related to Our Business and Industry

We currently have no drug products for sale. We are heavily dependent on the success of our product candidates, and we cannot give any assurances that any of our product candidates will receive regulatory approval or be successfully commercialized.

To date, we have invested a significant portion of our efforts and financial resources in the acquisition and development of our product candidates. We have not demonstrated our ability to perform the functions necessary for the successful acquisition, development or commercialization of the technologies we are seeking to develop. As an early stage company, we have limited experience and have not yet demonstrated an ability to successfully overcome many of the risks and uncertainties frequently encountered by companies in new and rapidly evolving fields, particularly in the biopharmaceutical area. Our future success is substantially dependent on our ability to successfully develop, obtain regulatory approval for, and then successfully commercialize such product candidates. Our product candidates are currently in preclinical development or in clinical trials. Our business depends entirely on the successful development and commercialization of our product candidates, which may never occur. We currently generate no revenues from sales of any drugs, and we may never be able to develop or commercialize a marketable drug.

The successful development, and any commercialization, of our technologies and any product candidates would require us to successfully perform a variety of functions, including:

- · developing our technology platform;
- · identifying, developing, manufacturing and commercializing product candidates;
- · entering into successful licensing and other arrangements with product development partners;
- · participating in regulatory approval processes;
- · formulating and manufacturing products;
- · obtaining sufficient quantities of our product candidates from our third-party manufacturers as required to meet clinical trial needs and commercial demand at launch and thereafter;
- · establishing and maintaining agreements with wholesalers, distributors and group purchasing organizations on commercially reasonable terms;
- · conducting sales and marketing activities including hiring, training, deploying and supporting our sales force and creating market demand for our product candidates through our own marketing and sales activities, and any other arrangements to promote our product candidates that we may later establish; and
- · maintaining patent protection and regulatory exclusivity for our product candidates.

Our operations have been limited to organizing our company, acquiring, developing and securing our proprietary technology and identifying and obtaining preclinical data or clinical data for various product candidates. These operations provide a limited basis for you to assess our ability to continue to develop our technology, identify product candidates, develop and commercialize any product candidates we are able to identify and enter into successful collaborative arrangements with other companies, as well as for you to assess the advisability of investing in our securities. Each of these requirements will require substantial time, effort and financial resources.

Each of our product candidates will require additional preclinical or clinical development, management of preclinical, clinical and manufacturing activities, regulatory approval in multiple jurisdictions, obtaining manufacturing supply, building of a commercial organization, and significant marketing efforts before we generate any revenues from product sales. We are not permitted to market or promote any of our product candidates before we receive regulatory approval from the FDA or comparable foreign regulatory authorities, and we may never receive such regulatory approval for any of our product candidates.

#### Pre-clinical development is highly speculative and has a high risk of failure.

Two of our current product candidates are in clinical trials, and we are evaluating the terms of license agreements for three additional pre-clinical assets. Our pre-clinical product candidates have never been used in humans. Pre-clinical development is highly speculative and carries a high risk of failure. We can provide no assurances that pre-clinical toxicology and/or pre-clinical activity of our product candidates will support moving any of these product candidates into clinical development. If we are unsuccessful in our pre-clinical development efforts for any of these product candidates and they fail to reach clinical development, it would have a material adverse effect on our business and financial condition.

#### Delays in clinical testing could result in increased costs to us and delay our ability to generate revenue.

Although we are planning for certain clinical trials relating to our product candidates, there can be no assurance that the FDA will accept our proposed trial designs. We may experience delays in our clinical trials and we do not know whether planned clinical trials will begin on time, need to be redesigned, enroll patients on time or be completed on schedule, if at all. Clinical trials can be delayed for a variety of reasons, including delays related to:

- · obtaining regulatory approval to commence a trial;
- · reaching agreement on acceptable terms with prospective contract research organizations, or CROs, and clinical trial sites, the terms of which can be subject to extensive negotiation and may vary significantly among different CROs and trial sites;
- · obtaining institutional review board, or IRB, approval at each site;
- · recruiting suitable patients to participate in a trial;
- · clinical sites deviating from trial protocol or dropping out of a trial;
- · having patients complete a trial or return for post-treatment follow-up;
- · developing and validating companion diagnostics on a timely basis, if required;
- · adding new clinical trial sites; or
- · manufacturing sufficient quantities of product candidate for use in clinical trials.

Patient enrollment, a significant factor in the timing of clinical trials, is affected by many factors including the size and nature of the patient population, the proximity of patients to clinical sites, the eligibility criteria for the trial, the design of the clinical trial, competing clinical trials and clinicians' and patients' perceptions as to the potential advantages of the drug being studied in relation to other available therapies, including any new drugs that may be approved for the indications we are investigating. Furthermore, we intend to rely on CROs and clinical trial sites to ensure the proper and timely conduct of our clinical trials and we intend to have agreements governing their committed activities, however, we will have limited influence over their actual performance.

We could encounter delays if a clinical trial is suspended or terminated by us, by the IRBs of the institutions in which such trials are being conducted, by the Data Safety Monitoring Board, or DSMB, for such trial or by the FDA or other regulatory authorities. Such authorities may impose such a suspension or termination due to a number of factors, including failure to conduct the clinical trial in accordance with regulatory requirements or our clinical protocols, inspection of the clinical trial operations or trial site by the FDA or other regulatory authorities resulting in the imposition of a clinical hold, unforeseen safety issues or adverse side effects, failure to demonstrate a benefit from using a drug, changes in governmental regulations or administrative actions or lack of adequate funding to continue the clinical trial.

If we experience delays in the completion of, or termination of, any clinical trial of our product candidates, the commercial prospects of our product candidates will be harmed, and our ability to generate product revenues from any of these product candidates will be delayed. In addition, any delays in completing our clinical trials will increase our costs, slow down our product candidate development and approval process and jeopardize our ability to commence product sales and generate revenues. Any of these occurrences may harm our business, financial condition and prospects significantly. In addition, many of the factors that cause, or lead to, a delay in the commencement or completion of clinical trials may also ultimately lead to the denial of regulatory approval of our product candidates.

We may not receive regulatory approval for our product candidates, or their approval may be further delayed, which would have a material adverse effect on our business and financial condition.

Our product candidates and the activities associated with their development and commercialization, including their design, testing, manufacture, safety, efficacy, recordkeeping, labeling, storage, approval, advertising, promotion, sale and distribution, are subject to comprehensive regulation by the FDA and other regulatory agencies in the US and by the European Medicines Agency and similar regulatory authorities outside the US. Failure to obtain marketing approval for one or more of our product candidates or any future product candidate will prevent us from commercializing the product candidate. We have not received approval to market any of our product candidates from regulatory authorities in any jurisdiction. We have only limited experience in filing and supporting the applications necessary to gain marketing approvals and expect to rely on third-party contract research organizations to assist us in this process. Securing marketing approval requires the submission of extensive preclinical and clinical data and supporting information to regulatory authorities for each therapeutic indication to establish the product candidate's safety and efficacy. Securing marketing approval also requires the submission of information about the product manufacturing process to, and inspection of manufacturing facilities by, the regulatory authorities. One or more of our product candidates or any future product candidate may not be effective, may be only moderately effective or may prove to have undesirable or unintended side effects, toxicities or other characteristics that may preclude our obtaining marketing approval or prevent or limit commercial use. If any of our product candidates or any future product candidate receives marketing approval, the accompanying label may limit the approved use of our drug in this way, which could limit sales of the product.

The process of obtaining marketing approvals, both in the United States and abroad, is expensive, may take many years if approval is obtained at all, and can vary substantially based upon a variety of factors, including the type, complexity and novelty of the product candidates involved. Changes in marketing approval policies during the development period, changes in or the enactment of additional statutes or regulations, or changes in regulatory review for each submitted product application may cause delays in the approval or rejection of an application. Regulatory authorities have substantial discretion in the approval process and may refuse to accept any application or may decide that our data is insufficient for approval and require additional preclinical studies or clinical trials. In addition, varying interpretations of the data obtained from preclinical and clinical testing could delay, limit or prevent marketing approval of a product candidate. Any marketing approval we ultimately obtain may be limited or subject to restrictions or post-approval commitments that render the approved product not commercially viable.

If we experience delays in obtaining approval or if we fail to obtain approval of one or more of our product candidates or any future product candidate, the commercial prospects for our product candidates may be harmed and our ability to generate revenue will be materially impaired.

In addition, even if we were to obtain approval, regulatory authorities may approve any of our product candidates or any future product candidate for fewer or more limited indications than we request, may not approve the price we intend to charge for our products, may grant approval contingent on the performance of costly post-marketing clinical trials, or may approve a product candidate with a label that does not include the labeling claims necessary or desirable for the successful commercialization of that product candidate. Any of these scenarios could compromise the commercial prospects for one or more of our product candidates or any future product candidate.

If any of our product candidates is approved and our contract manufacturer fails to produce the product in the volumes that we require on a timely basis, or fails to comply with stringent regulations applicable to pharmaceutical drug manufacturers, we may face delays in the commercialization of our product candidates or be unable to meet market demand, and may lose potential revenues.

The manufacture of pharmaceutical products requires significant expertise and capital investment, including the development of advanced manufacturing techniques and process controls, and the use of specialized processing equipment. We intend to enter into development and supply agreements with contract manufacturers for the completion of precommercialization manufacturing development activities and the manufacture of commercial supplies for each of our product candidates. Any termination or disruption of our relationships with our contract manufacturers may materially harm our business and financial condition, and frustrate any commercialization efforts for each respective product candidate.

All of our contract manufacturers must comply with strictly enforced federal, state and foreign regulations, including cGMP requirements enforced by the FDA through its facilities inspection program, and we have little control over their compliance with these regulations. Any failure to comply with applicable regulations may result in fines and civil penalties, suspension of production, suspension or delay in product approval, product seizure or recall, or withdrawal of product approval, and would limit the availability of our product. Any manufacturing defect or error discovered after products have been produced and distributed could result in even more significant consequences, including costly recall procedures, re-stocking costs, damage to our reputation and potential for product liability claims.

If the commercial manufacturers upon whom we rely to manufacture one or more of our product candidates, and any future product candidate we may in-license, fail to deliver the required commercial quantities on a timely basis at commercially reasonable prices, we would likely be unable to meet demand for our products and we would lose potential revenues.

Our approach to the discovery and development of our product candidates is unproven, and we do not know whether we will be able to develop any products of commercial value.

Our products candidates are emerging technologies and, consequently, it is conceivable that such technologies may ultimately fail to identify commercially viable drugs to treat human patients with cancer or other diseases.

If serious adverse or unacceptable side effects are identified during the development of one or more of our product candidates or any future product candidate, we may need to abandon or limit our development of some of our product candidates.

If one or more of our product candidates or any future product candidate are associated with undesirable side effects in clinical trials or have characteristics that are unexpected, we may need to abandon their development or limit development to more narrow uses or subpopulations in which the undesirable side effects or other characteristics are less prevalent, less severe or more acceptable from a risk-benefit perspective. In our industry, many compounds that initially showed promise in early stage testing have later been found to cause side effects that prevented further development of the compound. In the event that our clinical trials reveal a high and unacceptable severity and prevalence of side effects, our trials could be suspended or terminated, and the FDA or comparable foreign regulatory authorities could order us to cease further development or deny approval of one or more of our product candidates or any future product candidate for any or all targeted indications. The FDA could also issue a letter requesting additional data or information prior to making a final decision regarding whether or not to approve a product candidate. The number of requests for additional data or information issued by the FDA in recent years has increased and has resulted in substantial delays in the approval of several new drugs. Undesirable side effects caused by one or more of our product candidates or any future product candidate could also result in the inclusion of unfavorable information in our product labeling, denial of regulatory approval by the FDA or other regulatory authorities for any or all targeted indications, and in turn prevent us from commercializing and generating revenues from the sale of that product candidate. Drug-related side effects could affect patient recruitment or the ability of enrolled patients to complete the trial and could result in potential product liability claims.

Additionally, if one or more of our product candidates or any future product candidate receives marketing approval and we or others later identify undesirable side effects caused by this product, a number of potentially significant negative consequences could result, including:

- regulatory authorities may require the addition of unfavorable labeling statements, specific warnings or a contraindication;
- · regulatory authorities may suspend or withdraw their approval of the product, or require it to be removed from the market;
- · we may be required to change the way the product is administered, conduct additional clinical trials or change the labeling of the product; or
- · our reputation may suffer.

Any of these events could prevent us from achieving or maintaining market acceptance of any of our product candidates or any future product candidate or could substantially increase our commercialization costs and expenses, which in turn could delay or prevent us from generating significant revenues from its sale.

#### Even if one or more of our product candidates receives regulatory approval, it and any other products we may market will remain subject to substantial regulatory scrutiny.

One or more of our product candidates that we may license or acquire will also be subject to ongoing requirements and review of the FDA and other regulatory authorities. These requirements include labeling, packaging, storage, advertising, promotion, record-keeping and submission of safety and other post-market information and reports, registration and listing requirements, cGMP requirements relating to manufacturing, quality control, quality assurance and corresponding maintenance of records and documents, requirements regarding the distribution of samples to physicians and recordkeeping of the drug.

The FDA may also impose requirements for costly post-marketing studies or clinical trials and surveillance to monitor the safety or efficacy of the product. The FDA closely regulates the post-approval marketing and promotion of drugs to ensure drugs are marketed only for the approved indications and in accordance with the provisions of the approved labeling. The FDA imposes stringent restrictions on manufacturers' communications regarding off-label use and if we do not market our products for only their approved indications, we may be subject to enforcement action for off-label marketing. Violations of the FDCA relating to the promotion of prescription drugs may lead to investigations alleging violations of federal and state health care fraud and abuse laws, as well as state consumer protection laws.

In addition, later discovery of previously unknown adverse events or other problems with our products, manufacturers or manufacturing processes, or failure to comply with regulatory requirements, may yield various results, including:

- restrictions on such products, operations, manufacturers or manufacturing processes;
- · restrictions on the labeling or marketing of a product;
- · restrictions on product distribution or use;
- · requirements to conduct post-marketing studies or clinical trials;
- warning letters;
- · withdrawal of the products from the market;
- · refusal to approve pending applications or supplements to approved applications that we submit;
- · recall of products;
- · fines, restitution or disgorgement of profits;
- · suspension or withdrawal of marketing or regulatory approvals;
- · suspension of any ongoing clinical trials;
- · refusal to permit the import or export of our products;
- · product seizure; or
- · injunctions or the imposition of civil or criminal penalties.

The FDA's policies may change, and additional government regulations may be enacted that could prevent, limit or delay regulatory approval of our product candidates. If we are slow or unable to adapt to changes in existing requirements or the adoption of new requirements or policies, or if we are not able to maintain regulatory compliance, we may lose any marketing approval that we may have obtained.

We will need to obtain FDA approval of any proposed product brand names, and any failure or delay associated with such approval may adversely impact our business.

A pharmaceutical product cannot be marketed in the US or other countries until we have completed a rigorous and extensive regulatory review processes, including approval of a brand name. Any brand names we intend to use for our product candidates will require approval from the FDA regardless of whether we have secured a formal trademark registration from the PTO. The FDA typically conducts a review of proposed product brand names, including an evaluation of potential for confusion with other product names. The FDA may also object to a product brand name if it believes the name inappropriately implies medical claims. If the FDA objects to any of our proposed product brand names, we may be required to adopt an alternative brand name, we would lose the benefit of our existing trademark applications for such product candidate and may be required to expend significant additional resources in an effort to identify a suitable product brand name that would qualify under applicable trademark laws, not infringe the existing rights of third parties and be acceptable to the FDA. We may be unable to build a successful brand identity for a new trademark in a timely manner or at all, which would limit our ability to commercialize our product candidates.

Our current and future relationships with customers and third-party payors in the United States and elsewhere may be subject, directly or indirectly, to applicable anti-kickback, fraud and abuse, false claims, transparency, health information privacy and security and other healthcare laws and regulations, which could expose us to criminal sanctions, civil penalties, contractual damages, reputational harm, administrative burdens and diminished profits and future earnings.

Healthcare providers, physicians and third-party payors in the US and elsewhere will play a primary role in the recommendation and prescription of any product candidates for which we obtain marketing approval. Our future arrangements with third-party payors and customers may expose us to broadly applicable fraud and abuse and other healthcare laws and regulations, including, without limitation, the federal Anti-Kickback Statute and the federal False Claims Act, which may constrain the business or financial arrangements and relationships through which we sell, market and distribute any product candidates for which we obtain marketing approval. In addition, we may be subject to transparency laws and patient privacy regulation by the federal and state governments and by governments in foreign jurisdictions in which we conduct our business. The applicable federal, state and foreign healthcare laws and regulations that may affect our ability to operate include, but are not necessarily limited to:

- the federal Anti-Kickback Statute, which prohibits, among other things, persons from knowingly and willfully soliciting, offering, receiving or providing remuneration, directly or indirectly, in cash or in kind, to induce or reward, or in return for, either the referral of an individual for, or the purchase, order or recommendation of, any good or service, for which payment may be made under federal and state healthcare programs, such as Medicare and Medicaid;
- federal civil and criminal false claims laws and civil monetary penalty laws, including the federal False Claims Act, which impose criminal and civil penalties, including civil whistleblower or *qui tam* actions, against individuals or entities for knowingly presenting, or causing to be presented, to the federal government, including the Medicare and Medicaid programs, claims for payment that are false or fraudulent or making a false statement to avoid, decrease or conceal an obligation to pay money to the federal government; the federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, or HIPAA, which imposes criminal and civil liability for executing a scheme to defraud any healthcare benefit program or making false statements relating to healthcare matters;
- · HIPAA, as amended by the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act of 2009, or HITECH, and their respective implementing regulations, which impose obligations on covered healthcare providers, health plans, and healthcare clearinghouses, as well as their business associates that create, receive, maintain or transmit individually identifiable health information for or on behalf of a covered entity, with respect to safeguarding the privacy, security and transmission of individually identifiable health information;
- the federal Open Payments program, which requires manufacturers of drugs, devices, biologics and medical supplies for which payment is available under Medicare, Medicaid or the Children's Health Insurance Program, with specific exceptions, to report annually to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, or CMS, information related to "payments or other transfers of value" made to physicians, which is defined to include doctors, dentists, optometrists, podiatrists and chiropractors, and teaching hospitals and applicable manufacturers and applicable group purchasing organizations to report annually to CMS ownership and investment interests held by the physicians and their immediate family members. Data collection began on August 1, 2013 with requirements for manufacturers to submit reports to CMS by March 31, 2014 and 90 days after the end each subsequent calendar year. Disclosure of such information was made by CMS on a publicly available website beginning in September 2014; and

analogous state and foreign laws and regulations, such as state anti-kickback and false claims laws, which may apply to sales or marketing arrangements and claims involving healthcare items or services reimbursed by non-governmental third-party payors, including private insurers; state and foreign laws that require pharmaceutical companies to comply with the pharmaceutical industry's voluntary compliance guidelines and the relevant compliance guidance promulgated by the federal government or otherwise restrict payments that may be made to healthcare providers; state and foreign laws that require drug manufacturers to report information related to payments and other transfers of value to physicians and other healthcare providers or marketing expenditures; and state and foreign laws governing the privacy and security of health information in certain circumstances, many of which differ from each other in significant ways and often are not preempted by HIPAA, thus complicating compliance efforts.

Efforts to ensure that our business arrangements with third parties will comply with applicable healthcare laws and regulations may involve substantial costs. It is possible that governmental authorities will conclude that our business practices may not comply with current or future statutes, regulations or case law involving applicable fraud and abuse or other healthcare laws and regulations. If our operations are found to be in violation of any of these laws or any other governmental regulations that may apply to us, we may be subject to significant civil, criminal and administrative penalties, including, without limitation, damages, fines, imprisonment, exclusion from participation in government healthcare programs, such as Medicare and Medicaid, and the curtailment or restructuring of our operations, which could have a material adverse effect on our business. If any of the physicians or other healthcare providers or entities with whom we expect to do business, including our collaborators, is found not to be in compliance with applicable laws, it may be subject to criminal, civil or administrative sanctions, including exclusions from participation in government healthcare programs, which could also materially affect our business.

# Regulatory approval for any approved product is limited by the FDA to those specific indications and conditions for which clinical safety and efficacy have been demonstrated.

Any regulatory approval is limited to those specific diseases and indications for which a product is deemed to be safe and effective by the FDA. In addition to the FDA approval required for new formulations, any new indication for an approved product also requires FDA approval. If we are not able to obtain FDA approval for any desired future indications for our products, our ability to effectively market and sell our products may be reduced and our business may be adversely affected.

While physicians may choose to prescribe drugs for uses that are not described in the product's labeling and for uses that differ from those tested in clinical studies and approved by the regulatory authorities, our ability to promote the products is limited to those indications that are specifically approved by the FDA. These "off-label" uses are common across medical specialties and may constitute an appropriate treatment for some patients in varied circumstances. Regulatory authorities in the US generally do not regulate the behavior of physicians in their choice of treatments. Regulatory authorities do, however, restrict communications by pharmaceutical companies on the subject of off-label use. If our promotional activities fail to comply with these regulations or guidelines, we may be subject to warnings from, or enforcement action by, these authorities. In addition, our failure to follow FDA rules and guidelines relating to promotion and advertising may cause the FDA to suspend or withdraw an approved product from the market, require a recall or institute fines, or could result in disgorgement of money, operating restrictions, injunctions or criminal prosecution, any of which could harm our business.

# We are subject to new legislation, regulatory proposals and managed care initiatives that may increase our costs of compliance and adversely affect our ability to market our products, obtain collaborators and raise capital.

In the US and some foreign jurisdictions, there have been a number of proposed and enacted legislative and regulatory changes regarding the healthcare system that could prevent or delay marketing approval of one or more of our product candidates, restrict or regulate post-approval activities and affect our ability to profitably sell any of our product candidates for which we obtain marketing approval.

Among policy makers and payors in the US and elsewhere, there is significant interest in promoting changes in healthcare systems with the stated goals of containing healthcare costs, improving quality and expanding access. In the US, the pharmaceutical industry has been a particular focus of these efforts and has been significantly affected by major legislative initiatives. In March 2010, President Obama signed into law the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, as amended by the Health Care and Education Affordability Reconciliation Act, or collectively the PPACA, a sweeping law intended to broaden access to health insurance, reduce or constrain the growth of healthcare spending, enhance remedies against fraud and abuse, add new transparency requirements for the healthcare and health insurance industries, impose new taxes and fees on the health industry and impose additional health policy reforms.

Among the provisions of the PPACA of importance to our potential product candidates are:

• an annual, nondeductible fee on any entity that manufactures or imports specified branded prescription drugs and biologic agents, apportioned among these entities according to their market share in certain government healthcare programs;

- an increase in the statutory minimum rebates a manufacturer must pay under the Medicaid Drug Rebate Program to 23.1% and 13.0% of the average manufacturer price for branded and generic drugs, respectively;
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- · expansion of healthcare fraud and abuse laws, including the federal False Claims Act and the federal Anti-Kickback Statute, new government investigative powers and enhanced penalties for non-compliance;
- a new Medicare Part D coverage gap discount program, in which manufacturers must agree to offer 50% point-of-sale discounts off negotiated prices of applicable brand drugs to eligible beneficiaries during their coverage gap period, as a condition for a manufacturer's outpatient drugs to be covered under Medicare Part D;
- extension of a manufacturer's Medicaid rebate liability to covered drugs dispensed to individuals who are enrolled in Medicaid managed care organizations;
- expansion of eligibility criteria for Medicaid programs by, among other things, allowing states to offer Medicaid coverage to additional individuals and by adding new mandatory eligibility categories for certain individuals with income at or below 138% of the federal poverty level, thereby potentially increasing a manufacturer's Medicaid rebate liability;
- · expansion of the entities eligible for discounts under the Public Health Service pharmaceutical pricing program;
- the new requirements under the federal Open Payments program and its implementing regulations;
- · a new requirement to annually report drug samples that manufacturers and distributors provide to physicians; and
- · a new Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute to oversee, identify priorities in, and conduct comparative clinical effectiveness research, along with funding for such research.

In addition, other legislative changes have been proposed and adopted since the PPACA was enacted. These changes include aggregate reductions to Medicare payments to providers of up to 2% per fiscal year that started in 2013. On March 1, 2013, the President signed an executive order implementing the 2% Medicare payment reductions, and on April 1, 2013, these reductions went into effect. In January 2013, President Obama signed into law the American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012, which, among other things, reduced Medicare payments to several providers and increased the statute of limitations period for the government to recover overpayments to providers from three to five years. These new laws may result in additional reductions in Medicare and other healthcare funding, which could have a material adverse effect on customers for our drugs, if approved, and, accordingly, our financial operations.

We expect that the PPACA, as well as other healthcare reform measures that may be adopted in the future, may result in more rigorous coverage criteria and in additional downward pressure on the price that we receive for any approved drug. Any reduction in reimbursement from Medicare or other government healthcare programs may result in a similar reduction in payments from private payors. The implementation of cost containment measures or other healthcare reforms may prevent us from being able to generate revenue, attain profitability or commercialize our drugs.

Legislative and regulatory proposals have been made to expand post-approval requirements and restrict sales and promotional activities for drugs. We cannot be sure whether additional legislative changes will be enacted, or whether the FDA regulations, guidance or interpretations will be changed, or what the impact of such changes on the marketing approvals of our product candidates, if any, may be. In addition, increased scrutiny by the US Congress of the FDA's approval process may significantly delay or prevent marketing approval, as well as subject us to more stringent product labeling and post-marketing testing and other requirements.

Public concern regarding the safety of drug products could delay or limit our ability to obtain regulatory approval, result in the inclusion of unfavorable information in our labeling, or require us to undertake other activities that may entail additional costs.

In light of widely publicized events concerning the safety risk of certain drug products, the FDA, members of the US Congress, the Government Accountability Office, medical professionals and the general public have raised concerns about potential drug safety issues. These events have resulted in the withdrawal of drug products, revisions to drug labeling that further limit use of the drug products and the establishment of risk management programs. The Food and Drug Administration Amendments Act of 2007, or FDAAA, grants significant expanded authority to the FDA, much of which is aimed at improving the safety of drug products before and after approval. In particular, the new law authorizes the FDA to, among other things, require post-approval studies and clinical trials, mandate changes to drug labeling to reflect new safety information and require risk evaluation and mitigation strategies for certain drugs, including certain currently approved drugs. It also significantly expands the federal government's clinical trial registry and results databank, which we expect will result in significantly increased government oversight of clinical trials. Under the FDAAA, companies that violate these and other provisions of the new law are subject to substantial civil monetary penalties, among other regulatory, civil and criminal penalties. The increased attention to drug safety issues may result in a more cautious approach by the FDA in its review of data from our clinical trials. Data from clinical trials may receive greater scrutiny, particularly with respect to safety, which may make the FDA or other regulatory authorities more likely to require additional preclinical studies or clinical trials. If the FDA requires us to conduct additional preclinical studies or clinical trials prior to approving any of our product candidates, our ability to obtain approval of this product candidate will be delayed. If the FDA requires us to provide additional clinical or preclinical data following the approval of any of our product ca

#### If we experience delays or difficulties in the enrollment of patients in clinical trials, our receipt of necessary regulatory approvals could be delayed or prevented.

We may not be able to initiate or continue clinical trials for one or more of our product candidates if we are unable to locate and enroll a sufficient number of eligible patients to participate in these trials as required by the FDA or similar regulatory authorities outside the United States. Some of our competitors have ongoing clinical trials for product candidates that treat the same indications as our product candidates, and patients who would otherwise be eligible for our clinical trials may instead enroll in clinical trials of our competitors' product candidates. Available therapies for the indications we are pursuing can also affect enrollment in our clinical trials. Patient enrollment is affected by other factors including, but not necessarily limited to:

- · the severity of the disease under investigation;
- · the eligibility criteria for the study in question;
- the perceived risks and benefits of the product candidate under study;
- · the efforts to facilitate timely enrollment in clinical trials;
- · the patient referral practices of physicians;
- the ability to monitor patients adequately during and after treatment; and
- the proximity and availability of clinical trial sites for prospective patients.

Our inability to enroll a sufficient number of patients for our clinical trials would result in significant delays and could require us to abandon one or more clinical trials altogether. Enrollment delays in our clinical trials may result in increased development costs for our product candidate or future product candidates, which would cause the value of our company to decline and limit our ability to obtain additional financing.

Our product candidates are in scientific areas of intense competition from many large pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies, many of which are significantly further along in development or are already on the market with competing products. We expect competition for our product candidates will intensify, and new products may emerge that provide different or better therapeutic alternatives for our targeted indications.

The biotechnology and pharmaceutical industries are subject to rapid and intense technological change. We face, and will continue to face, competition in the development and marketing of our product candidates from academic institutions, government agencies, research institutions and biotechnology and pharmaceutical companies. There can be no assurance that developments by others will not render one or more of our product candidates obsolete or noncompetitive. Furthermore, new developments, including the development of other drug technologies and methods of preventing the incidence of disease, occur in the pharmaceutical industry at a rapid pace. These developments may render one or more of our product candidates obsolete or noncompetitive.

Our product candidates will compete with other product candidates with similar indications. Please refer to Item 1. "Business — Competition".

Competitors may seek to develop alternative formulations that do not directly infringe on our in-licensed patent rights. The commercial opportunity for one or more of our product candidates could be significantly harmed if competitors are able to develop alternative formulations outside the scope of our in-licensed patents. Compared to us, many of our potential competitors have substantially greater:

- · capital resources;
- · development resources, including personnel and technology;
- clinical trial experience;
- regulatory experience;
- · expertise in prosecution of intellectual property rights; and
- · manufacturing, distribution and sales and marketing experience.

As a result of these factors, our competitors may obtain regulatory approval of their products more rapidly than we are able to or may obtain patent protection or other intellectual property rights that limit our ability to develop or commercialize one or more of our product candidates. Our competitors may also develop drugs that are more effective, safe, useful and less costly than ours and may be more successful than us in manufacturing and marketing their products.

Our commercial success depends upon us attaining significant market acceptance of our product candidates, if approved for sale, among physicians, patients, healthcare payors and major operators of cancer and other clinics.

Even if we obtain regulatory approval for one or more of our product candidates, the product may not gain market acceptance among physicians, health care payors, patients and the medical community, which are critical to commercial success. Market acceptance of any product candidate for which we receive approval depends on a number of factors, including, but not necessarily limited to:

- · the efficacy and safety as demonstrated in clinical trials;
- the timing of market introduction of such product candidate as well as competitive products;
- · the clinical indications for which the drug is approved;
- · acceptance by physicians, major operators of cancer clinics and patients of the drug as a safe and effective treatment;
- the safety of such product candidate seen in a broader patient group, including its use outside the approved indications;
- the availability, cost and potential advantages of alternative treatments, including less expensive generic drugs;
- the availability of adequate reimbursement and pricing by third-party payors and government authorities;
- the relative convenience and ease of administration of the product candidate for clinical practices;
- the product labeling or product insert required by the FDA or regulatory authority in other countries;
- the approval, availability, market acceptance and reimbursement for a companion diagnostic, if any;
- · the prevalence and severity of adverse side effects; and
- the effectiveness of our sales and marketing efforts.

If any product candidate that we develop does not provide a treatment regimen that is as beneficial as, or is not perceived as being as beneficial as, the current standard of care or otherwise does not provide patient benefit, that product candidate, if approved for commercial sale by the FDA or other regulatory authorities, likely will not achieve market acceptance. Our ability to effectively promote and sell any approved products will also depend on pricing and cost-effectiveness, including our ability to produce a product at a competitive price and our ability to obtain sufficient third-party coverage or reimbursement. If any product candidate is approved but does not achieve an adequate level of acceptance by physicians, patients and third-party payors, our ability to generate revenues from that product would be substantially reduced. In addition, our efforts to educate the medical community and third-party payors on the benefits of our product candidates may require significant resources, may be constrained by FDA rules and policies on product promotion, and may never be successful.

If approved, our product candidates will face competition from less expensive generic products of competitors, and, if we are unable to differentiate the benefits of our product candidates over these less expensive alternatives, we may never generate meaningful product revenues.

Generic therapies are typically sold at lower prices than branded therapies and are generally preferred by hospital formularies and managed care providers of health services. We anticipate that, if approved, our product candidates will face increasing competition in the form of generic versions of branded products of competitors that have lost or will lose their patent exclusivity. In the future, we may face additional competition from a generic form when the patents covering it begin to expire, or earlier if the patents are successfully challenged. If we are unable to demonstrate to physicians and payers that the key differentiating features of our product candidates translate to overall clinical benefit or lower cost of care, we may not be able to compete with generic alternatives.

# Reimbursement may be limited or unavailable in certain market segments for our product candidates, which could make it difficult for us to sell our products profitably.

There is significant uncertainty related to the third-party coverage and reimbursement of newly approved drugs. Such third-party payors include government health programs such as Medicare, managed care providers, private health insurers and other organizations. We intend to seek approval to market our product candidates in the US, the EU and other selected foreign jurisdictions. Market acceptance and sales of our product candidates in both domestic and international markets will depend significantly on the availability of adequate coverage and reimbursement from third-party payors for any of our product candidates and may be affected by existing and future health care reform measures. Government and other third-party payors are increasingly attempting to contain healthcare costs by limiting both coverage and the level of reimbursement for new drugs and, as a result, they may not cover or provide adequate payment for our product candidates. These payors may conclude that our product candidates are less safe, less effective or less cost-effective than existing or future introduced products, and third-party payors may not approve our product candidates for coverage and reimbursement or may cease providing coverage and reimbursement for these product candidates.

Obtaining coverage and reimbursement approval for a product from a government or other third-party payor is a time consuming and costly process that could require us to provide to the payor supporting scientific, clinical and cost-effectiveness data for the use of our products. We may not be able to provide data sufficient to gain acceptance with respect to coverage and reimbursement. If reimbursement of our future products is unavailable or limited in scope or amount, or if pricing is set at unsatisfactory levels, we may be unable to achieve or sustain profitability.

In some foreign countries, particularly in the EU, the pricing of prescription pharmaceuticals is subject to governmental control. In these countries, pricing negotiations with governmental authorities can take considerable time after the receipt of marketing approval for a product candidate. To obtain reimbursement or pricing approval in some countries, we may be required to conduct additional clinical trials that compare the cost-effectiveness of our product candidates to other available therapies. If reimbursement of our product candidates is unavailable or limited in scope or amount in a particular country, or if pricing is set at unsatisfactory levels, we may be unable to achieve or sustain profitability of our products in such country.

If we are unable to establish sales, marketing and distribution capabilities or to enter into agreements with third parties to market and sell our product candidates, we may not be successful in commercializing our product candidates if and when they are approved.

We currently do not have a marketing or sales organization for the marketing, sales and distribution of pharmaceutical products. In order to commercialize any product candidate that receives marketing approval, we would need to build marketing, sales, distribution, managerial and other non-technical capabilities or make arrangements with third parties to perform these services, and we may not be successful in doing so. In the event of successful development and regulatory approval of one or more of our product candidates or any future product candidate, we expect to build a targeted specialist sales force to market or co-promote the product. There are risks involved with establishing our own sales, marketing and distribution capabilities. For example, recruiting and training a sales force is expensive and time consuming and could delay any product launch. If the commercial launch of a product candidate for which we recruit a sales force and establish marketing capabilities is delayed or does not occur for any reason, we would have prematurely or unnecessarily incurred these commercialization expenses. This may be costly, and our investment would be lost if we cannot retain or reposition our sales and marketing personnel.

Factors that may inhibit our efforts to commercialize our products on our own include, but are not necessarily limited to:

- our inability to recruit, train and retain adequate numbers of effective sales and marketing personnel;
- · the inability of sales personnel to obtain access to physicians or persuade adequate numbers of physicians to prescribe any future products;
- the lack of complementary or other products to be offered by sales personnel, which may put us at a competitive disadvantage from the perspective of sales efficiency relative to companies with more extensive product lines; and
- · unforeseen costs and expenses associated with creating an independent sales and marketing organization.

As an alternative to establishing our own sales force, we may choose to partner with third parties that have well-established direct sales forces to sell, market and distribute our products.

We rely, and expect to continue to rely, on third parties to conduct our preclinical studies and clinical trials, and those third parties may not perform satisfactorily, including failing to meet deadlines for the completion of such trials or complying with applicable regulatory requirements.

We rely on third-party contract research organizations and site management organizations to conduct some of our preclinical studies and all of our clinical trials for our product candidates and for any future product candidate. We expect to continue to rely on third parties, such as contract research organizations, site management organizations, clinical data management organizations, medical institutions and clinical investigators, to conduct some of our preclinical studies and all of our clinical trials. The agreements with these third parties might terminate for a variety of reasons, including a failure to perform by the third parties. If we need to enter into alternative arrangements, that could delay our product development activities.

Our reliance on these third parties for research and development activities will reduce our control over these activities but will not relieve us of our responsibilities. For example, we will remain responsible for ensuring that each of our preclinical studies and clinical trials are conducted in accordance with the general investigational plan and protocols for the trial and for ensuring that our preclinical studies are conducted in accordance with good laboratory practice (GLP) as appropriate. Moreover, the FDA requires us to comply with standards, commonly referred to as good clinical practices (GCPs) for conducting, recording and reporting the results of clinical trials to assure that data and reported results are credible and accurate and that the rights, integrity and confidentiality of trial participants are protected. Regulatory authorities enforce these requirements through periodic inspections of trial sponsors, clinical investigators and trial sites. If we or any of our clinical research organizations fail to comply with applicable GCPs, the clinical data generated in our clinical trials may be deemed unreliable and the FDA or comparable foreign regulatory authorities may require us to perform additional clinical trials before approving our marketing applications. We cannot assure you that upon inspection by a given regulatory authority, such regulatory authority will determine that any of our clinical trials complies with GCP regulations. In addition, our clinical trials must be conducted with product produced under cGMP regulations. Our failure to comply with these regulators may require us to repeat clinical trials, which would delay the regulatory approval process. We also are required to register ongoing clinical trials and post the results of completed clinical trials on a government-sponsored database, ClinicalTrials.gov, within specified timeframes. Failure to do so can result in fines, adverse publicity and civil and criminal sanctions.

The third parties with whom we have contracted to help perform our preclinical studies or clinical trials may also have relationships with other entities, some of which may be our competitors. If these third parties do not successfully carry out their contractual duties, meet expected deadlines or conduct our preclinical studies or clinical trials in accordance with regulatory requirements or our stated protocols, we will not be able to obtain, or may be delayed in obtaining, marketing approvals for our product candidates and will not be able to, or may be delayed in our efforts to, successfully commercialize our product candidates.

If any of our relationships with these third-party contract research organizations or site management organizations terminates, we may not be able to enter into arrangements with alternative contract research organizations or site management organizations or to do so on commercially reasonable terms. Switching or adding additional contract research organizations or site management organizations involves additional cost and requires management time and focus. In addition, there is a natural transition period when a new contract research organization or site management organization commences work. As a result, delays could occur, which could compromise our ability to meet our desired development timelines. Though we carefully manage our relationships with our contract research organizations or site management organizations, there can be no assurance that we will not encounter similar challenges or delays in the future.

We contract with third parties for the manufacture of our product candidates for preclinical and clinical testing and expect to continue to do so for commercialization. This reliance on third parties increases the risk that we will not have sufficient quantities of our product candidates or any future product candidate or such quantities at an acceptable cost, which could delay, prevent or impair our development or commercialization efforts.

We do not have any manufacturing facilities or personnel. We rely, and expect to continue to rely, on third parties for the manufacture of our product candidates for preclinical and clinical testing, as well as for commercial manufacture if any of our product candidates receive marketing approval. This reliance on third parties increases the risk that we will not have sufficient quantities of our product candidates or any future product candidate or such quantities at an acceptable cost or quality, which could delay, prevent or impair our development or commercialization efforts.

We also expect to rely on third-party manufacturers or third-party collaborators for the manufacture of commercial supply of any product candidates for which our collaborators or we obtain marketing approval. We may be unable to establish any agreements with third-party manufacturers or to do so on acceptable terms. Even if we are able to establish agreements with third-party manufacturers, reliance on third-party manufacturers entails additional risks, including, but not necessarily limited to:

- · reliance on the third party for regulatory compliance and quality assurance;
- the possible breach of the manufacturing agreement by the third party;
- · manufacturing delays if our third-party manufacturers give greater priority to the supply of other products over our product candidates or otherwise do not satisfactorily perform according to the terms of the agreement between us;
- the possible misappropriation of our proprietary information, including our trade secrets and know-how; and
- · the possible termination or nonrenewal of the agreement by the third party at a time that is costly or inconvenient for us.

We rely on our third-party manufacturers to produce or purchase from third-party suppliers the materials and equipment necessary to produce our product candidates for our pre-clinical and clinical trials. There are a limited number of suppliers for raw materials and equipment that we use (or that are used on our behalf) to manufacture our drugs, and there may be a need to assess alternate suppliers to prevent a possible disruption of the manufacture of the materials and equipment necessary to produce our product candidates for our pre-clinical and clinical trials, and if approved, ultimately for commercial sale. We do not have any control over the process or timing of the acquisition of these raw materials or equipment by our third-party manufacturers. Any significant delay in the supply of a product candidate, or the raw material components thereof, for an ongoing pre-clinical or clinical trial due to the need to replace a third-party manufacturer could considerably delay completion of our pre-clinical or clinical trials, product testing and potential regulatory approval of our product candidates. If our manufacturers or we are unable to purchase these raw materials or equipment after regulatory approval has been obtained for our product candidates, the commercial launch of our product candidates would be delayed or there would be a shortage in supply, which would impair our ability to generate revenues from the sale of our product candidates.

The facilities used by our contract manufacturers to manufacture our product candidates must be approved by the FDA pursuant to inspections that will be conducted after we submit an NDA to the FDA. We do not control the manufacturing process of, and are completely dependent on, our contract manufacturers for compliance with cGMP regulations for manufacture of our product candidates. Third-party manufacturers may not be able to comply with the cGMP regulations or similar regulatory requirements outside the United States. Our failure, or the failure of our third-party manufacturers, to comply with applicable regulations could result in sanctions being imposed on us, including clinical holds, fines, injunctions, civil penalties, delays, suspension or withdrawal of approvals, license revocation, seizures or recalls of product candidates or products, operating restrictions and criminal prosecutions, any of which could significantly and adversely affect supplies of our products.

One or more of the product candidates that we may develop may compete with other product candidates and products for access to manufacturing facilities. There are a limited number of manufacturers that operate under cGMP regulations and that might be capable of manufacturing for us. Any performance failure on the part of our existing or future manufacturers could delay clinical development or marketing approval. We do not currently have arrangements in place for redundant supply or a second source for bulk drug substance. If our current contract manufacturers cannot perform as agreed, we may be required to replace such manufacturers. We may incur added costs and delays in identifying and qualifying any replacement manufacturers. The DEA restricts the importation of a controlled substance finished drug product when the same substance is commercially available in the United States, which could reduce the number of potential alternative manufacturers for one or more of our product candidates.

Our current and anticipated future dependence upon others for the manufacture of our product candidates or products may adversely affect our future profit margins and our ability to commercialize any products that receive marketing approval on a timely and competitive basis.

We also expect to rely on other third parties to store and distribute drug supplies for our clinical trials. Any performance failure on the part of our distributors could delay clinical development or marketing approval of our product candidates or commercialization of our products, producing additional losses and depriving us of potential product revenue.

#### We rely on clinical data and results obtained by third parties that could ultimately prove to be inaccurate or unreliable.

As part of our strategy to mitigate development risk, we seek to develop product candidates with validated mechanisms of action and we utilize biomarkers to assess potential clinical efficacy early in the development process. This strategy necessarily relies upon clinical data and other results obtained by third parties that may ultimately prove to be inaccurate or unreliable. Further, such clinical data and results may be based on products or product candidates that are significantly different from our product candidates or any future product candidate. If the third-party data and results we rely upon prove to be inaccurate, unreliable or not applicable to our product candidates or future product candidate, we could make inaccurate assumptions and conclusions about our product candidates and our research and development efforts could be compromised.

# If we breach any of the agreements under which we license rights to one or more of product candidates from others, we could lose the ability to continue to develop and commercialize such product candidate.

Because we have in-licensed the rights to all of our product candidates from COH, and in the future will continue to in-license from additional third parties, if there is any dispute between us and our licensor regarding our rights under our license agreement, our ability to develop and commercialize these product candidates may be adversely affected. Any uncured, material breach under our license agreement could result in our loss of exclusive rights to our product candidate and may lead to a complete termination of our related product development efforts.

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

We may not be able to attract or retain qualified management and commercial, scientific and clinical personnel in the future due to the intense competition for qualified personnel among biotechnology, pharmaceutical and other businesses. If we are not able to attract and retain necessary personnel to accomplish our business objectives, we may experience constraints that will significantly impede the achievement of our development objectives, our ability to raise additional capital and our ability to implement our business strategy.

# Our employees may engage in misconduct or other improper activities, including noncompliance with regulatory standards and requirements, which could have a material adverse effect on our business.

We are exposed to the risk of employee fraud or other misconduct. Misconduct by employees could include intentional failures to comply with FDA regulations, provide accurate information to the FDA, comply with manufacturing standards we have established, comply with federal and state health-care fraud and abuse laws and regulations, report financial information or data accurately or disclose unauthorized activities to us. In particular, sales, marketing and business arrangements in the healthcare industry are subject to extensive laws and regulations intended to prevent fraud, kickbacks, self-dealing and other abusive practices. These laws and regulations may restrict or prohibit a wide range of pricing, discounting, marketing and promotion, sales commission, customer incentive programs and other business arrangements. Employee misconduct could also involve the improper use of information obtained in the course of clinical trials, which could result in regulatory sanctions and serious harm to our reputation. The precautions we take to detect and prevent this activity may not be effective in controlling unknown or unmanaged risks or losses or in protecting us from governmental investigations or other actions or lawsuits stemming from a failure to be in compliance with such laws or regulations. If any such actions are instituted against us, and we are not successful in defending ourselves or asserting our rights, those actions could have a significant impact on our business and results of operations, including the imposition of significant fines or other sanctions.

We face potential product liability exposure, and if successful claims are brought against us, we may incur substantial liability for one or more of our product candidates or a future product candidate we may license or acquire and may have to limit their commercialization.

The use of one or more of our product candidates and any future product candidate we may license or acquire in clinical trials and the sale of any products for which we obtain marketing approval expose us to the risk of product liability claims. For example, we may be sued if any product we develop allegedly causes injury or is found to be otherwise unsuitable during clinical testing, manufacturing, marketing or sale. Any such product liability claims may include allegations of defects in manufacturing, defects in design, a failure to warn of dangers inherent in the product, negligence, strict liability or a breach of warranties. Product liability claims might be brought against us by consumers, health care providers or others using, administering or selling our products. If we cannot successfully defend ourselves against these claims, we will incur substantial liabilities. Regardless of merit or eventual outcome, liability claims may result in:

- · withdrawal of clinical trial participants;
- · termination of clinical trial sites or entire trial programs;
- · decreased demand for any product candidates or products that we may develop;
- · initiation of investigations by regulators;
- · impairment of our business reputation;
- · costs of related litigation;
- · substantial monetary awards to patients or other claimants;
- loss of revenues:
- · reduced resources of our management to pursue our business strategy; and
- the inability to commercialize our product candidate or future product candidates.

We will obtain limited product liability insurance coverage for any and all of our upcoming clinical trials. However, our insurance coverage may not reimburse us or may not be sufficient to reimburse us for any expenses or losses we may suffer. Moreover, insurance coverage is becoming increasingly expensive, and, in the future, we may not be able to maintain insurance coverage at a reasonable cost or in sufficient amounts to protect us against losses due to liability. When needed we intend to expand our insurance coverage to include the sale of commercial products if we obtain marketing approval for one or more of our product candidates in development, but we may be unable to obtain commercially reasonable product liability insurance for any products approved for marketing. On occasion, large judgments have been awarded in class action lawsuits based on drugs that had unanticipated side effects. A successful product liability claim or series of claims brought against us could cause our stock price to fall and, if judgments exceed our insurance coverage, could decrease our cash and adversely affect our business.

Our future growth depends on our ability to identify and acquire or in-license products and if we do not successfully identify and acquire or in-license related product candidates or integrate them into our operations, we may have limited growth opportunities.

An important part of our business strategy is to continue to develop a pipeline of product candidates by acquiring or in-licensing products, businesses or technologies that we believe are a strategic fit with our focus on novel combinations of immuno-oncology antibodies and small molecule kinase inhibitors. Future in-licenses or acquisitions, however, may entail numerous operational and financial risks, including, but not necessarily limited to:

- · exposure to unknown liabilities;
- disruption of our business and diversion of our management's time and attention to develop acquired products or technologies;
- · difficulty or inability to secure financing to fund development activities for such acquired or in-licensed technologies in the current economic environment;
- · incurrence of substantial debt or dilutive issuances of securities to pay for acquisitions;
- · higher than expected acquisition and integration costs;

- · increased amortization expenses;
- · difficulty and cost in combining the operations and personnel of any acquired businesses with our operations and personnel;
- · impairment of relationships with key suppliers or customers of any acquired businesses due to changes in management and ownership; and
- · inability to retain key employees of any acquired businesses.

We have limited resources to identify and execute the acquisition or in-licensing of third-party products, businesses and technologies and integrate them into our current infrastructure. In particular, we may compete with larger pharmaceutical companies and other competitors in our efforts to establish new collaborations and in-licensing opportunities. These competitors likely will have access to greater financial resources than us and may have greater expertise in identifying and evaluating new opportunities. Moreover, we may devote resources to potential acquisitions or in-licensing opportunities that are never completed, or we may fail to realize the anticipated benefits of such efforts.

We may expend our limited resources to pursue a particular product candidate or indication and fail to capitalize on product candidates or indications that may be more profitable or for which there is a greater likelihood of success.

Because we have limited financial and managerial resources, we focus on research programs and product candidates that we identify for specific indications. As a result, we may forego or delay pursuit of opportunities with other product candidates or for other indications that later prove to have greater commercial potential. Our resource allocation decisions may cause us to fail to capitalize on viable commercial products or profitable market opportunities. Our spending on current and future research and development programs and product candidates for specific indications may not yield any commercially viable products. If we do not accurately evaluate the commercial potential or target market for a particular product candidate, we may relinquish valuable rights to that product candidate through collaboration, licensing or other royalty arrangements in cases in which it would have been more advantageous for us to retain sole development and commercialization rights to such product candidate.

#### If we fail to comply with environmental, health and safety laws and regulations, we could become subject to fines or penalties or incur costs that could harm our business.

We are subject to numerous environmental, health and safety laws and regulations, including those governing laboratory procedures and the handling, use, storage, treatment and disposal of hazardous materials and wastes. Our operations involve the use of hazardous and flammable materials, including chemicals and biological materials. Our operations also produce hazardous waste products. We generally contract with third parties for the disposal of these materials and wastes. We cannot eliminate the risk of contamination or injury from these materials. Although we believe that the safety procedures for handling and disposing of these materials comply with the standards prescribed by these laws and regulations, we cannot eliminate the risk of accidental contamination or injury from these materials. In the event of contamination or injury resulting from our use of hazardous materials, we could be held liable for any resulting damages, and any liability could exceed our resources. We also could incur significant costs associated with civil or criminal fines and penalties for failure to comply with such laws and regulations.

Although we maintain workers' compensation insurance to cover us for costs and expenses we may incur due to injuries to our employees resulting from the use of hazardous materials, this insurance may not provide adequate coverage against potential liabilities. We do not maintain insurance for environmental liability or toxic tort claims that may be asserted against us in connection with our storage or disposal of biological, hazardous or radioactive materials.

In addition, we may incur substantial costs in order to comply with current or future environmental, health and safety laws and regulations. These current or future laws and regulations may impair our research, development or production efforts. Our failure to comply with these laws and regulations also may result in substantial fines, penalties or other sanctions.

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

Despite the implementation of security measures, our internal computer systems are vulnerable to damage from computer viruses, unauthorized access, natural disasters, terrorism, war and telecommunication and electrical failures. Any system failure, accident or security breach that causes interruptions in our operations could result in a material disruption of our drug development programs. For example, the loss of clinical trial data from completed clinical trials for one or more of our product conducts could result in delays in our regulatory approval efforts and significantly increase our costs to recover or reproduce the data. To the extent that any disruption or security breach results in a loss or damage to our data or applications, or inappropriate disclosure of confidential or proprietary information, we may incur liability and the further development of one or more of our product candidates may be delayed.

#### We are partly reliant on the City of Hope National Medical Center for research and development and early clinical testing of certain of our product candidates.

A substantial portion of our research and development has been conducted by COH pursuant to a sponsored research agreement executed between Mustang and COH in March 2015. We have limited control over the nature or timing of COH's research and limited visibility into its day-to-day activities. Our future success is heavily dependent on the results of research and development efforts of Dr. Stephen Forman and his laboratory team at COH.

#### CAR-T is a new approach to cancer treatment that presents significant challenges.

We have concentrated our research and development efforts on CAR-T technology, and our future success is highly dependent on the successful development of T cell immunotherapies in general and our CAR-T technology and product candidates in particular. Because CAR-T is a new approach to cancer immunotherapy and cancer treatment generally, developing and commercializing our product candidates subjects us to a number of challenges, including, but not necessarily limited to:

- · obtaining regulatory approval from the FDA and other regulatory authorities that may have very limited experience with the commercial development of genetically modified T cell therapies for cancer;
- · developing and deploying consistent and reliable processes for engineering a patient's T cells ex vivo and infusing the engineered T cells back into the patient;
- conditioning patients with chemotherapy in conjunction with delivering each of our products, which may increase the risk of adverse side effects of our products;
- · educating medical personnel regarding the potential side effect profile of each of our products;
- developing processes for the safe administration of these products, including long-term follow-up for all patients who receive our product candidates;
- · sourcing clinical and, if approved, commercial supplies for the materials used to manufacture and process our product candidates;
- · developing a manufacturing process and distribution network with a cost of goods that allows for an attractive return on investment;
- establishing sales and marketing capabilities after obtaining any regulatory approval to gain market acceptance, and obtaining adequate coverage, reimbursement and pricing by third-party payors and government authorities; and
- · developing therapies for types of cancers beyond those addressed by our current product candidates.

Product candidates, even if successfully developed and commercialized, may be effective only in combatting certain specific types of cancer, and the market for drugs designed to combat such cancer type(s) may be small and unprofitable.

There are many different types of cancer, and a treatment that is effective against one type of cancer may not be effective against another. CAR-T or other technologies we pursue may only be effective in combatting specific types of cancer but not others. Even if one or more of our products proves to be an effective treatment against a given type of cancer, the number of patients suffering from such cancer may be small, in which case potential sales from a drug designed to combat such cancer would be limited.

### Risks Related to Intellectual Property

If we are unable to obtain and maintain patent protection for our technology and products or if the scope of the patent protection obtained is not sufficiently broad, our competitors could develop and commercialize technology and products similar or identical to ours, and our ability to successfully commercialize our technology and products may be impaired.

Our commercial success will depend in part on obtaining and maintaining patent protection and trade secret protection in the US and other countries with respect to our product candidates or any future product candidate that we may license or acquire and the methods we use to manufacture them, as well as successfully defending these patents and trade secrets against third-party challenges. We seek to protect our proprietary position by filing patent applications in the United States and abroad related to our product candidates. We will only be able to protect our technologies from unauthorized use by third parties to the extent that valid and enforceable patents or trade secrets cover them.

The patent prosecution process is expensive and time-consuming, and we may not be able to file and prosecute all necessary or desirable patent applications at a reasonable cost or in a timely manner. It is also possible that we will fail to identify any patentable aspects of our research and development output, and, if we do, an opportunity to obtain patent protection may have passed. If our licensors or we fail to obtain or maintain patent protection or trade secret protection for one or more of product candidates or any future product candidate we may license or acquire, third parties may be able to access our proprietary information, which could impair our ability to compete in the market and adversely affect our ability to generate revenues and achieve profitability. Moreover, should we enter into other collaborations we may be required to consult with or cede control to collaborators regarding the prosecution, maintenance and enforcement of licensed patents. Therefore, these patents and applications may not be prosecuted and enforced in a manner consistent with the best interests of our business.

The patent position of biotechnology and pharmaceutical companies generally is highly uncertain, involves complex legal and factual questions and has in recent years been the subject of much litigation. In addition, no consistent policy regarding the breadth of claims allowed in pharmaceutical or biotechnology patents has emerged to date in the US The patent situation outside the US is even more uncertain. The laws of foreign countries may not protect our rights to the same extent as the laws of the US. For example, European patent law restricts the patentability of methods of treatment of the human body more than US law does. Publications of discoveries in the scientific literature often lag behind the actual discoveries, and patent applications in the US and other jurisdictions are typically not published until 18 months after a first filing, if at all. Therefore, we cannot know with certainty whether we or our licensors were the first to make the inventions claimed in patents or pending patent applications that we own or licensed, or that we or our licensors were the first to file for patent protection of such inventions. In the event that a third party has also filed a US patent application relating to our product candidates or a similar invention, depending upon the priority dates claimed by the competing parties, we may have to participate in interference proceedings declared by the PTO to determine priority of invention in the US. The costs of these proceedings could be substantial and it is possible that our efforts to establish priority of invention would be unsuccessful, resulting in a material adverse effect on our US patent position. As a result, the issuance, scope, validity, enforceability and commercial value of our patent rights are highly uncertain. Our pending and future patent applications may not result in patents being issued which protect our technology or products, in whole or in part, or which effectively prevent others from commercializing competitive technologies and products. Changes in either the patent laws or interpretation of the patent laws in the US and other countries may diminish the value of our patents or narrow the scope of our patent protection. For example, the federal courts of the US have taken an increasingly dim view of the patent eligibility of certain subject matter, such as naturally occurring nucleic acid sequences, amino acid sequences and certain methods of utilizing same, which include their detection in a biological sample and diagnostic conclusions arising from their detection. Such subject matter, which had long been a staple of the biotechnology and biopharmaceutical industry to protect their discoveries, is now considered, with few exceptions, ineligible in the first place for protection under the patent laws of the US. Accordingly, we cannot predict the breadth of claims that may be allowed or enforced in our patents or in those licensed from a third-party.

Recent patent reform legislation could increase the uncertainties and costs surrounding the prosecution of our patent applications and the enforcement or defense of our issued patents. On September 16, 2011, the Leahy-Smith America Invents Act, or the Leahy-Smith Act, was signed into law. The Leahy-Smith Act includes a number of significant changes to United States patent law. These include provisions that affect the way patent applications are prosecuted and may also affect patent litigation. The PTO recently developed new regulations and procedures to govern administration of the Leahy-Smith Act, and many of the substantive changes to patent law associated with the Leahy-Smith Act, and in particular, the first inventor-to-file provisions, only became effective on March 16, 2013. Accordingly, it is not clear what, if any, impact the Leahy-Smith Act will have on the operation of our business. However, the Leahy-Smith Act and its implementation could increase the uncertainties and costs surrounding the prosecution of our patent applications and the enforcement or defense of our issued patents, all of which could have a material adverse effect on our business and financial condition.

Moreover, we may be subject to a third-party preissuance submission of prior art to the PTO, or become involved in opposition, derivation, reexamination *inter partes* review, post-grant review or interference proceedings challenging our patent rights or the patent rights of others. An adverse determination in any such submission, patent office trial, proceeding or litigation could reduce the scope of, render unenforceable, or invalidate, our patent rights, allow third parties to commercialize our technology or products and compete directly with us, without payment to us, or result in our inability to manufacture or commercialize products without infringing third-party patent rights. In addition, if the breadth or strength of protection provided by our patents and patent applications is threatened, it could dissuade companies from collaborating with us to license, develop or commercialize current or future product candidates.

Even if our patent applications issue as patents, they may not issue in a form that will provide us with any meaningful protection, prevent competitors from competing with us or otherwise provide us with any competitive advantage. Our competitors may be able to circumvent our owned or licensed patents by developing similar or alternative technologies or products in a non-infringing manner.

The issuance of a patent does not foreclose challenges to its inventorship, scope, validity or enforceability. Therefore, our owned and licensed patents may be challenged in the courts or patent offices in the United States and abroad. Such challenges may result in loss of exclusivity or in patent claims being narrowed, invalidated or held unenforceable, in whole or in part, which could limit our ability to stop others from using or commercializing similar or identical technology and products, or limit the duration of the patent protection of our technology and products. Given the amount of time required for the development, testing and regulatory review of new product candidates, patents protecting such product candidates might expire before or shortly after such product candidates are commercialized. As a result, our owned and licensed patent portfolio may not provide us with sufficient rights to exclude others from commercializing products similar or identical to ours.

We depend on our licensors for the maintenance and enforcement of intellectual property covering certain of our product candidates and have limited control, if any, over the amount or timing of resources that our licensors devote on our behalf, or whether any financial difficulties experienced by our licensors could result in their unwillingness or inability to secure, maintain and enforce patents protecting certain of our product candidates.

We depend on our licensors to protect the proprietary rights covering our product candidates and we have limited, if any, control over the amount or timing of resources that they devote on our behalf, or the priority they place on, maintaining patent rights and prosecuting patent applications to our advantage.

Our licensors, depending on the patent or application, are responsible for maintaining issued patents and prosecuting patent applications. We cannot be sure that they will perform as required. Should they decide they no longer want to maintain any of the patents licensed to us, they are required to afford us the opportunity to do so at our expense. If our licensors do not perform, and if we do not assume the maintenance of the licensed patents in sufficient time to make required payments or filings with the appropriate governmental agencies, we risk losing the benefit of all or some of those patent rights. Moreover, our licensors may experience serious difficulties related to their overall business or financial stability, and they may be unwilling or unable to continue to expend the financial resources required to maintain and prosecute these patents and patent applications. While we intend to take actions reasonably necessary to enforce our patent rights, we depend, in part, on our licensors to protect a substantial portion of our proprietary rights.

Our licensors may also be notified of alleged infringement and be sued for infringement of third-party patents or other proprietary rights. We may have limited, if any, control or involvement over the defense of these claims, and our licensors could be subject to injunctions and temporary or permanent exclusionary orders in the US or other countries. Our licensors are not obligated to defend or assist in our defense against third-party claims of infringement. We have limited, if any, control over the amount or timing of resources, if any, that our licensors devote on our behalf or the priority they place on defense of such third-party claims of infringement.

Because of the uncertainty inherent in any patent or other litigation involving proprietary rights, we or our licensors may not be successful in defending claims of intellectual property infringement alleged by third parties, which could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations. Regardless of the outcome of any litigation, defending the litigation may be expensive, time-consuming and distracting to management.

Because it is difficult and costly to protect our proprietary rights, we may not be able to ensure their protection.

The degree of future protection for our proprietary rights is uncertain, because legal means afford only limited protection and may not adequately protect our rights or permit us to gain or keep our competitive advantage. For example:

- · our licensors might not have been the first to make the inventions covered by each of our pending patent applications and issued patents;
- · our licensors might not have been the first to file patent applications for these inventions;
- others may independently develop similar or alternative technologies or duplicate our product candidates or any future product candidate technologies;
- · it is possible that none of the pending patent applications licensed to us will result in issued patents;
- the issued patents covering our product candidates or any future product candidate may not provide a basis for market exclusivity for active products, may not provide us with any competitive advantages, or may be challenged by third parties;
- · we may not develop additional proprietary technologies that are patentable; or
- · patents of others may have an adverse effect on our business.

#### We may become involved in lawsuits to protect or enforce our patents or other intellectual property, which could be expensive, time consuming and unsuccessful.

Competitors may infringe our issued patents or other intellectual property. To counter infringement or unauthorized use, we may be required to file one or more actions for patent infringement, which can be expensive and time consuming. Any claims we assert against accused infringers could provoke these parties to assert counterclaims against us alleging that we infringe their patents. In addition, in a patent infringement proceeding, a court may decide that a patent of ours is invalid or unenforceable, in whole or in part, construe the patent's claims narrowly or refuse to stop the other party from using the technology at issue on the grounds that our patents do not cover the technology in question. An adverse result in any litigation proceeding could put one or more of our patents at risk of being invalidated, rendered unenforceable, or interpreted narrowly.

# If we are sued for infringing intellectual property rights of third parties, it will be costly and time consuming, and an unfavorable outcome in any litigation would harm our business.

Our ability to develop, manufacture, market and sell one or more of our product candidates or any future product candidate that we may license or acquire depends upon our ability to avoid infringing the proprietary rights of third parties. Numerous US and foreign issued patents and pending patent applications, which are owned by third parties, exist in the general fields of fully human immuno-oncology targeted antibodies and cover the use of numerous compounds and formulations in our targeted markets. Because of the uncertainty inherent in any patent or other litigation involving proprietary rights, we and our licensors may not be successful in defending intellectual property claims asserted by third parties, which could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations. Regardless of the outcome of any litigation, defending the litigation may be expensive, time-consuming and distracting to management. In addition, because patent applications can take many years to issue, there may be currently pending applications that are unknown to us, which may later result in issued patents that one or more of our product candidates may infringe, even if only inadvertently.

There is a substantial amount of litigation involving patent and other intellectual property rights in the biotechnology and biopharmaceutical industries generally. If a third party claims that we infringe their patents or misappropriated their technology, we could face a number of issues, including:

- · infringement and other intellectual property claims which, with or without merit, can be expensive and time consuming to litigate and can divert management's attention from our core business;
- substantial damages for past infringement which we may have to pay if a court decides that our product infringes a competitor's patent;
- · a court prohibiting us from selling or licensing our product unless the patent holder licenses the patent to us, which it would not be required to do;
- · if a license is available from a patent holder, we may have to pay substantial royalties or grant cross licenses to our patents; and

redesigning our processes so they do not infringe, which may not be possible or could require substantial funds and time.

#### Intellectual property litigation could cause us to spend substantial resources and distract our personnel from their normal responsibilities.

Even if resolved in our favor, litigation or other legal proceedings relating to intellectual property claims may cause us to incur significant expenses, and could distract our technical and management personnel from their normal responsibilities. In addition, there could be public announcements of the results of hearings, motions or other interim proceedings or developments and if securities analysts or investors perceive these results to be negative, it could have a substantial adverse effect on the price of our common stock. Such litigation or proceedings could substantially increase our operating losses and reduce the resources available for development activities or any future sales, marketing or distribution activities. We may not have sufficient financial or other resources to conduct such litigation or proceedings adequately. Some of our competitors may be able to sustain the costs of such litigation or proceedings more effectively than we can because of their greater financial resources. Uncertainties resulting from the initiation and continuation of patent litigation or other proceedings could compromise our ability to compete in the marketplace.

#### We may need to license certain intellectual property from third parties, and such licenses may not be available or may not be available on commercially reasonable terms.

A third party may hold intellectual property, including patent rights that are important or necessary to the development and commercialization of our products. It may be necessary for us to use the patented or proprietary technology of third parties to commercialize our products, in which case we would be required to obtain a license from these third parties on commercially reasonable terms, or our business could be harmed, possibly materially.

# If we fail to comply with our obligations in our intellectual property licenses and funding arrangements with third parties, we could lose rights that are important to our business.

We are currently a party to a license agreement with the City of Hope. In the future, we may become party to licenses that are important for product development and commercialization. If we fail to comply with our obligations under current or future license and funding agreements, our counterparties may have the right to terminate these agreements, in which event we might not be able to develop, manufacture or market any product or utilize any technology that is covered by these agreements or may face other penalties under the agreements. Such an occurrence could materially and adversely affect the value of a product candidate being developed under any such agreement or could restrict our drug discovery activities. Termination of these agreements or reduction or elimination of our rights under these agreements may result in our having to negotiate new or reinstated agreements with less favorable terms, or cause us to lose our rights under these agreements, including our rights to important intellectual property or technology.

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

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

#### If we are unable to protect the confidentiality of our trade secrets, our business and competitive position would be harmed.

In addition to seeking patent protection for our product candidates or any future product candidate, we also rely on trade secrets, including unpatented know-how, technology and other proprietary information, to maintain our competitive position, particularly where we do not believe patent protection is appropriate or obtainable. However, trade secrets are difficult to protect. We limit disclosure of such trade secrets where possible but we also seek to protect these trade secrets, in part, by entering into non-disclosure and confidentiality agreements with parties who do have access to them, such as our employees, our licensors, corporate collaborators, outside scientific collaborators, contract manufacturers, consultants, advisors and other third parties. We also enter into confidentiality and invention or patent assignment agreements with our employees and consultants. Despite these efforts, any of these parties may breach the agreements and may unintentionally or willfully disclose our proprietary information, including our trade secrets, and we may not be able to obtain adequate remedies for such breaches. Enforcing a claim that a party illegally disclosed or misappropriated a trade secret is difficult, expensive and time-consuming, and the outcome is unpredictable. In addition, some courts inside and outside the United States are less willing or unwilling to protect trade secrets. Moreover, if any of our trade secrets were to be lawfully obtained or independently developed by a competitor, we would have no right to prevent them, or those to whom they communicate it, from using that technology or information to compete with us. If any of our trade secrets were to be disclosed to or independently developed by a competitor, our competitive position would be harmed.

#### Risks Related to Our Finances and Capital Requirements

We have incurred significant losses since our inception. We expect to incur losses for the foreseeable future, and may never achieve or maintain profitability.

We are an emerging growth company with a limited operating history. We have focused primarily on in-licensing and developing our product candidates, with the goal of supporting regulatory approval for these product candidates. We have incurred losses since our inception in March 2015, and have an accumulated deficit of \$6.5 million as of June 30, 2016. We expect to continue to incur significant operating losses for the foreseeable future. We also do not anticipate that we will achieve profitability for a period of time after generating material revenues, if ever. If we are unable to generate revenues, we will not become profitable and may be unable to continue operations without continued funding. As stated in the report from our auditors on page F-5, there is a risk of our ability to continue as a going concern. From inception to date, our operations have been entirely funded by loans from our parent, Fortress. While we anticipate that Fortress will be able to continue to fund our planned operations for the next 12 months, we can give no assurance that they will be able to do so. As a result, there is a significant risk that we will not be able to continue as a going concern in the near future.

Because of the numerous risks and uncertainties associated with developing pharmaceutical products, we are unable to predict the timing or amount of increased expenses or when or if, we will be able to achieve profitability. Our net losses may fluctuate significantly from quarter to quarter and year to year. We anticipate that our expenses will increase substantially if:

- one or more of our product candidates are approved for commercial sale, due to our ability to establish the necessary commercial infrastructure to launch this product candidate without substantial delays, including hiring sales and marketing personnel and contracting with third parties for warehousing, distribution, cash collection and related commercial activities;
- · we are required by the FDA or foreign regulatory authorities, to perform studies in addition to those currently expected;
- there are any delays in completing our clinical trials or the development of any of our product candidates;
- · we execute other collaborative, licensing or similar arrangements and the timing of payments we may make or receive under these arrangements;
- · there are variations in the level of expenses related to our future development programs;
- there are any product liability or intellectual property infringement lawsuits in which we may become involved;
- there are any regulatory developments affecting product candidates of our competitors; and
- · one or more of our product candidates receives regulatory approval.

Our ability to become profitable depends upon our ability to generate revenue. To date, we have not generated any revenue from our development stage products, and we do not know when, or if, we will generate any revenue. Our ability to generate revenue depends on a number of factors, including, but not limited to, our ability to:

- · obtain regulatory approval for one or more of our product candidates, or any future product candidate that we may license or acquire;
- · manufacture commercial quantities of one or more of our product candidates or any future product candidate, if approved, at acceptable cost levels; and
- · develop a commercial organization and the supporting infrastructure required to successfully market and sell one or more of our product candidates or any future product candidate, if approved.

Even if we do achieve profitability, we may not be able to sustain or increase profitability on a quarterly or annual basis. Our failure to become and remain profitable would depress the value of our company and could impair our ability to raise capital, expand our business, maintain our research and development efforts, diversify our product offerings or even continue our operations. A decline in the value of our company could also cause you to lose all or part of your investment.

#### Our short operating history makes it difficult to evaluate our business and prospects.

We were incorporated in March 2015 and have only been conducting operations with respect to our product candidates since March 2015. Our operations to date have been limited to preclinical operations and the in-licensing of our product candidates. We have not yet demonstrated an ability to successfully complete clinical trials, obtain regulatory approvals, manufacture a commercial scale product, or arrange for a third party to do so on our behalf, or conduct sales and marketing activities necessary for successful product commercialization. Consequently, any predictions about our future performance may not be as accurate as they could be if we had a history of successfully developing and commercializing pharmaceutical products.

In addition, as a young business, we may encounter unforeseen expenses, difficulties, complications, delays and other known and unknown factors. We will need to expand our capabilities to support commercial activities. We may not be successful in adding such capabilities.

We expect our financial condition and operating results to continue to fluctuate significantly from quarter to quarter and year to year due to a variety of factors, many of which are beyond our control. Accordingly, you should not rely upon the results of any past quarterly period as an indication of future operating performance.

We do not have any products that are approved for commercial sale and therefore do not expect to generate any revenues from product sales in the foreseeable future, if ever.

We have not generated any product related revenues to date, and do not expect to generate any such revenues for at least the next several years, if at all. To obtain revenues from sales of our product candidates, we must succeed, either alone or with third parties, in developing, obtaining regulatory approval for, manufacturing and marketing products with commercial potential. We may never succeed in these activities, and we may not generate sufficient revenues to continue our business operations or achieve profitability.

We will require substantial additional funding which may not be available to us on acceptable terms, or at all. If we fail to raise the necessary additional capital, we may be unable to complete the development and commercialization of our product candidates, or continue our development programs.

Our operations have consumed substantial amounts of cash since inception. We expect to significantly increase our spending to advance the preclinical and clinical development of our product candidates and launch and commercialize any product candidates for which we receive regulatory approval, including building our own commercial organizations to address certain markets. We will require additional capital for the further development and commercialization of our product candidates, as well as to fund our other operating expenses and capital expenditures. We have no cash as of June 30, 2016 and rely upon our parent Fortress to fund our working capital needs, we cannot provide any assurance that we will be able to raise funds to complete the development of our product.

We cannot be certain that additional funding will be available on acceptable terms, or at all. If we are unable to raise additional capital in sufficient amounts or on terms acceptable to us we may have to significantly delay, scale back or discontinue the development or commercialization of one or more of our product candidates. We may also seek collaborators for one or more of our current or future product candidates at an earlier stage than otherwise would be desirable or on terms that are less favorable than might otherwise be available. Any of these events could significantly harm our business, financial condition and prospects.

Our future funding requirements will depend on many factors, including, but not limited to:

- the timing, design and conduct of, and results from, pre-clinical and clinical trials for our product candidates;
- the potential for delays in our efforts to seek regulatory approval for our product candidates, and any costs associated with such delays;
- the costs of establishing a commercial organization to sell, market and distribute our product candidates;

- the rate of progress and costs of our efforts to prepare for the submission of an NDA for any product candidates that we may in-license or acquire in the future, and the potential that we may need to conduct additional clinical trials to support applications for regulatory approval;
- the costs of filing, prosecuting, defending and enforcing any patent claims and other intellectual property rights associated with our product candidates, including any such costs we may be required to expend if our licensors are unwilling or unable to do so;
- the cost and timing of securing sufficient supplies of our product candidates from our contract manufacturers for clinical trials and in preparation for commercialization;
- · the effect of competing technological and market developments;
- the terms and timing of any collaborative, licensing, co-promotion or other arrangements that we may establish;
- · if one or more of our product candidates are approved, the potential that we may be required to file a lawsuit to defend our patent rights or regulatory exclusivities from challenges by companies seeking to market generic versions of one or more of our product candidates; and
- the success of the commercialization of one or more of our product candidates.

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

In order to carry out our business plan and implement our strategy, we anticipate that we will need to obtain additional financing from time to time and may choose to raise additional funds through strategic collaborations, licensing arrangements, public or private equity or debt financing, bank lines of credit, asset sales, government grants, or other arrangements. We cannot be sure that any additional funding, if needed, will be available on terms favorable to us or at all. Furthermore, any additional equity or equity-related financing may be dilutive to our stockholders, and debt or equity financing, if available, may subject us to restrictive covenants and significant interest costs. If we obtain funding through a strategic collaboration or licensing arrangement, we may be required to relinquish our rights to certain of our product candidates or marketing territories.

Our inability to raise capital when needed would harm our business, financial condition and results of operations, and could cause our stock value to decline or require that we wind down our operations altogether.

#### Raising additional capital may cause dilution to our existing stockholders, restrict our operations or require us to relinquish proprietary rights.

Until such time, if ever, as we can generate substantial product revenue, we expect to finance our cash needs through a combination of equity offerings, debt financings, grants and license and development agreements in connection with any collaborations. To the extent that we raise additional capital through the sale of equity or convertible debt securities, your ownership interest will be diluted, and the terms of these securities may include liquidation or other preferences that adversely affect your rights as a stockholder. Debt financing and preferred equity financing, if available, may involve agreements that include covenants limiting or restricting our ability to take specific actions, such as incurring additional debt, making capital expenditures or declaring dividends.

If we raise additional funds through collaborations, strategic alliances or marketing, distribution or licensing arrangements with third parties, we may have to relinquish valuable rights to our technologies, future revenue streams, research programs or product candidates or grant licenses on terms that may not be favorable to us. If we are unable to raise additional funds through equity or debt financings when needed, we may be required to delay, limit, reduce or terminate our product development or future commercialization efforts or grant rights to develop and market product candidates that we would otherwise prefer to develop and market ourselves.

We will continue to incur significant increased costs as a result of operating as a public company, and our management will be required to devote substantial time to new compliance initiatives.

We intend to become a listed and traded public company. As a public company, we will incur significant legal, accounting and other expenses under the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, or the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, as well as rules subsequently implemented by the SEC, and the rules of any stock exchange on which we become listed. These rules impose various requirements on public companies, including requiring establishment and maintenance of effective disclosure and financial controls and appropriate corporate governance practices. Our management and other personnel have devoted and will continue to devote a substantial amount of time to these compliance initiatives. Moreover, these rules and regulations increase our legal and financial compliance costs and make some activities more time-consuming and costly. For example, these rules and regulations make it more difficult and more expensive for us to obtain director and officer liability insurance, and we may be required to accept reduced policy limits and coverage or incur substantially higher costs to obtain the same or similar coverage. As a result, it may be more difficult for us to attract and retain qualified persons to serve on our board of directors, our board committees or as executive officers.

The Sarbanes-Oxley Act requires, among other things, that we maintain effective internal controls for financial reporting and disclosure controls and procedures. As a result, we are required to periodically perform an evaluation of our internal controls over financial reporting to allow management to report on the effectiveness of those controls, as required by Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act. Additionally, our independent auditors are required to perform a similar evaluation and report on the effectiveness of our internal controls over financial reporting. These efforts to comply with Section 404 and related regulations have required, and continue to require, the commitment of significant financial and managerial resources. While we anticipate maintaining the integrity of our internal controls over financial reporting and all other aspects of Section 404, we cannot be certain that a material weakness will not be identified when we test the effectiveness of our control systems in the future. If a material weakness is identified, we could be subject to sanctions or investigations by the SEC or other regulatory authorities, which would require additional financial and management resources, costly litigation or a loss of public confidence in our internal controls, which could have an adverse effect on the market price of our stock.

A business that we identify as a potential acquisition target may not be in compliance with the provisions of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act regarding the adequacy of internal controls. The development of the internal controls of any such entity to achieve compliance with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act may increase the time and costs necessary to complete any such acquisition. Furthermore, any failure to implement required new or improved controls, or difficulties encountered in the implementation of adequate controls over our financial processes and reporting in the future, could harm our operating results or cause us to fail to meet our reporting obligations. Inferior internal controls could also cause investors to lose confidence in our reported financial information, which could have a negative effect on the trading price of our securities.

# We are an "emerging growth company" and we cannot be certain if the reduced disclosure requirements applicable to emerging growth companies will make our securities less attractive to investors.

We are an "emerging growth company," as defined in the Jumpstart Our Business Startups (JOBS) Act. We will remain an "emerging growth company" for up to five years. However, if our non-convertible debt issued within a three-year period or revenues exceeds \$1 billion, or the market value of our ordinary shares that are held by non-affiliates exceeds \$700 million on the last day of the second fiscal quarter of any given fiscal year, we would cease to be an emerging growth company as of the following fiscal year. As an emerging growth company, we are not being required to comply with the auditor attestation requirements of Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, we have reduced disclosure obligations regarding executive compensation in our periodic reports and proxy statements, and we are exempt from the requirements of holding a nonbinding advisory vote on executive compensation and stockholder approval of any golden parachute payments not previously approved.

Further, Section 102(b)(1) of the JOBS Act exempts emerging growth companies from being required to comply with new or revised financial accounting standards until private companies (that is, those that have not had a Securities Act registration statement declared effective or do not have a class of securities registered under the Exchange Act) are required to comply with the new or revised financial accounting standards. The JOBS Act provides that a company can elect to opt out of the extended transition period and comply with the requirements that apply to non-emerging growth companies, but any such an election to opt out is irrevocable. We have elected not to opt out of such extended transition period which means that when a standard is issued or revised and it has different application dates for public or private companies, we, as an emerging growth company, will not adopt the new or revised standard until the time private companies are required to adopt the new or revised standard. This may make comparison of our financial statements with another public company, which is neither an emerging growth company nor an emerging growth company, which has opted out of using the extended transition period, difficult or impossible because of the potential differences in accounting standards used.

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

Our results of operations could be materially negatively affected by economic conditions generally, both in the US and elsewhere around the world. Continuing concerns over inflation, energy costs, geopolitical issues, the availability and cost of credit, the US mortgage market and residential real estate market in the US have contributed to increased volatility and diminished expectations for the economy and the markets going forward. These factors, combined with volatile oil prices, declining business and consumer confidence and increased unemployment, have precipitated an economic recession and fears of a possible depression. Domestic and international equity markets continue to experience heightened volatility and turmoil. These events and the continuing market upheavals may have an adverse effect on us. In the event of a continuing market downturn, our results of operations could be adversely affected by those factors in many ways, including making it more difficult for us to raise funds if necessary, and our stock price may further decline.

# Our ability to use our pre-change NOLs and other pre-change tax attributes to offset post-change taxable income or taxes may be subject to limitation.

We may, from time to time, carry net operating loss carryforwards ("NOLs") as deferred tax assets on our balance sheet. Under Sections 382 and 383 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, if a corporation undergoes an "ownership change" (generally defined as a greater than 50-percentage-point cumulative change (by value) in the equity ownership of certain stockholders over a rolling three-year period), the corporation's ability to use its pre-change NOLs and other pre-change tax attributes to offset its post-change taxable income or taxes may be limited. We may experience ownership changes in the future as a result of shifts in our stock ownership, some of which changes are outside our control. As a result, our ability to use our pre-change NOLs and other pre-change tax attributes to offset post-change taxable income or taxes may be subject to limitation.

# Risks Relating to Securities Markets and Investment in Our Stock

Our stock may be subject to substantial price and volume fluctuations due to a number of factors, many of which are beyond our control and may prevent our stockholders from reselling our common stock at a profit.

The market prices for securities of biotechnology and pharmaceutical companies have historically been highly volatile, and the market has from time to time experienced significant price and volume fluctuations that are unrelated to the operating performance of particular companies.

The market price of our common stock is likely to continue to be highly volatile and may fluctuate substantially due to many factors, including:

- announcements concerning the progress of our efforts to obtain regulatory approval for and commercialize our product candidates or any future product candidate, including any requests we receive from the FDA for additional studies or data that result in delays in obtaining regulatory approval or launching these product candidates, if approved;
- · market conditions in the pharmaceutical and biotechnology sectors or the economy as a whole;
- · price and volume fluctuations in the overall stock market;
- the failure of one or more of our product candidates or any future product candidate, if approved, to achieve commercial success;
- · announcements of the introduction of new products by us or our competitors;
- developments concerning product development results or intellectual property rights of others;
- · litigation or public concern about the safety of our potential products;
- · actual fluctuations in our quarterly operating results, and concerns by investors that such fluctuations may occur in the future;
- deviations in our operating results from the estimates of securities analysts or other analyst comments;
- · additions or departures of key personnel;
- · health care reform legislation, including measures directed at controlling the pricing of pharmaceutical products, and third-party coverage and reimbursement policies;
- · developments concerning current or future strategic collaborations; and
- · discussion of us or our stock price by the financial and scientific press and in online investor communities.

#### Fortress controls a voting majority of our common stock.

Pursuant to the terms of the Class A Preferred Stock held by Fortress, Fortress is entitled to cast, for each share of Class A Preferred held by Fortress, the number of votes that is equal to one and one-tenth (1.1) times a fraction, the numerator of which is the sum of (A) the shares of outstanding common stock and (B) the whole shares of Common Stock into which the shares of outstanding Class A Common Stock and the Class A Preferred Stock are convertible and the denominator of which is the number of shares of outstanding Class A Preferred Stock. Accordingly, Fortress is able to control or significantly influence all matters requiring approval by our stockholders, including the election of directors and the approval of mergers or other business combination transactions. The interests of Fortress may not always coincide with the interests of other stockholders, and Fortress may take actions that advance its own interests and are contrary to the desires of our other stockholders. Moreover, this concentration of voting power may delay, prevent or deter a change in control of us even when such a change may be in the best interests of all stockholders, could deprive our stockholders of an opportunity to receive a premium for their common stock as part of a sale of Mustang or our assets, and might affect the prevailing market price of our common stock.

Fortress has the right to receive a significant grant of shares of our common stock annually which will result in the dilution of your holdings of common stock upon each grant, which could reduce their value. City of Hope has anti-dilution protection that could result in the dilution of your holding upon an initial public offering or sale of the Company.

Under the terms of the Second Amended and Restated Founders Agreement (See Item 7. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions, and Director Independence), which became effective July 22, 2016, Fortress will receive a grant of shares of our common stock equal to two and one-half percent (2.5%) of the gross amount of any equity or debt financing. Additionally, the Class A Preferred Stock, as a class, will receive an annual dividend on March 13<sup>th</sup>, payable in shares of Common Stock in an amount equal to two and one-half percent (2.5%) of our fully-diluted outstanding capital stock as of the business day immediately prior to March 13<sup>th</sup> of such year. Fortress currently owns all outstanding shares of Class A Preferred Stock. These share issuances to Fortress and any other holder of Class A Preferred Stock will dilute your holdings in our common stock and, if the value of Mustang has not grown proportionately over the prior year, would result in a reduction in the value of your shares. The Second Amended and Restated Founders Agreement has a term of 15 years and renews automatically for subsequent one-year periods unless terminated by Fortress or upon a Change in Control (as defined in the Second Amended and Restated Founders Agreement).

The Class A Common Stock held by the City of Hope has anti-dilution protection that gives them the right to additional shares of stock if their shares are not worth \$5 million at the time of an initial public offering or sale of the Company. The amount of shares received by COH will be a number that makes their total share position worth \$5 million at the time of the initial public offering or sale of the Company. If any shares are required to be issued to COH, your holdings in our common stock will be diluted and result in a reduction in the value of your shares. No assurance can be given that the value of the Company at the time of the initial public offering or sale of the Company will be sufficient to avoid the issuance of shares to COH.

# We might have received better terms from unaffiliated third parties than the terms we receive in our agreements with Fortress.

The agreements we have entered into with Fortress include a Management Services Agreement and the Founders Agreement. While we believe the terms of these agreements are reasonable, they might not reflect terms that would have resulted from arm's-length negotiations between unaffiliated third parties. The terms of the agreements relate to, among other things, payment of a royalty on product sales and the provision of employment and transition services. We might have received better terms from third parties because, among other things, third parties might have competed with each other to win our business.

The dual roles of our officers and directors who also serve in similar roles with Fortress could create a conflict of interest and will require careful monitoring by our independent directors.

We share some directors with Fortress, and in addition, under the Management Services Agreement, we will also share some officers with Fortress. This could create conflicts of interest between the two companies in the future. While we believe that the Founders Agreement and the Management Services Agreement were negotiated by independent parties on both sides on arm's length terms, and the fiduciary duties of both parties were thereby satisfied, in the future situations may arise under the operation of both agreements that may create a conflict of interest. We will have to be diligent to ensure that any such situation is resolved by independent parties. In particular, under the Management Services Agreement, Fortress and its affiliates are free to pursue opportunities which could potentially be of interest to Mustang, and they are not required to notify Mustang prior to pursuing such opportunities. Any such conflict of interest or pursuit by Fortress of a corporate opportunity independent of Mustang could expose us to claims by our investors and creditors and could harm our results of operations.

# We may become involved in securities class action litigation that could divert management's attention and harm our business.

The stock markets have from time to time experienced significant price and volume fluctuations that have affected the market prices for the common stock of biotechnology and pharmaceutical companies. These broad market fluctuations may cause the market price of our stock to decline. In the past, securities class action litigation has often been brought against a company following a decline in the market price of its securities. This risk is especially relevant for us because biotechnology and biopharmaceutical companies have experienced significant stock price volatility in recent years. We may become involved in this type of litigation in the future. Litigation often is expensive and diverts management's attention and resources, which could adversely affect our business.

#### Item 2. Financial Information.

# Management's Discussion and Analysis of the Results of Operations

# Forward-Looking Statements

Statements in the following discussion and throughout this registration statement that are not historical in nature are "forward-looking statements." You can identify forward-looking statements by the use of words such as "expect," "anticipate," "estimate," "may," "will," "should," "intend," "believe," and similar expressions. Although we believe the expectations reflected in these forward-looking statements are reasonable, such statements are inherently subject to risk and we can give no assurances that our expectations will prove to be correct. Actual results could differ from those described in this registration statement because of numerous factors, many of which are beyond our control. These factors include, without limitation, those described under Item 1A "Risk Factors." We undertake no obligation to update these forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this registration statement or to reflect actual outcomes, unless applicable law requires such changes. Please see "Forward Looking Statements" at the beginning of this Form 10.

The following discussion of our financial condition and results of operations should be read in conjunction with our financial statements and the related notes thereto and other financial information appearing elsewhere in this Form 10. We undertake no obligation to update any forward looking statements in the discussion of our financial condition and results of operations to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this registration statement or to reflect actual outcomes, unless such changes are required by applicable law.

# Overview

We are a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on the development and commercialization of novel cancer immunotherapy products designed to utilize the power of the patient's own immune system to eliminate cancer cells. We aim to acquire rights to these technologies by licensing or otherwise acquiring an ownership interest in the technologies, funding their research and development and eventually either out-licensing or bringing the technologies to market. Currently we are developing our proprietary Chimeric Antigen Receptor (CAR) engineered T cells (CAR -T) technology, which we licensed from Dr. Stephen Forman's laboratory at the City of Hope National Medical Center (COH). CAR-T uses the patient's own T cells to engage and destroy specific tumors. The process involves selecting specific T-cell subtypes, genetically engineering them to express chimeric antigen T cell receptors and placing them back in the patient where they recognize and destroy cancer cells.

Our exclusive license and sponsored research agreement with Dr. Stephen Forman's laboratory at the COH encompasses specific chimeric T cell constructions and enabling process technologies including linker technology improvements. This agreement covers the discovery, manufacturing and clinical development of novel CAR-T cells along with specified rights to any and all inventions.

We are currently in Phase 1 trials treating glioblastoma patients. Dr. Forman's laboratory has developed a proprietary engineered CAR-T cells targeting Interleukin13 Receptor a2, which is overexpressed on the surface of glioblastoma cells.

We have filed another IND for the treatment of patients with acute myeloid leukemia (AML). Dr. Forman's laboratory has developed a proprietary CAR-based targeting of CD123, which is overexpressed on the surface of many cells giving rise to hematologic malignancies, using engineered T cells for treatment of AML.

Additionally, under our sponsored preclinical research agreement with COH, the COH is developing additional CAR-T cell constructions targeting a number of tumor associated antigens specific for the variety of solid and hematological malignancies. The effectiveness of certain of these additional CAR-T cell constructs already has been demonstrated in preclinical studies with mouse xenograft models of specific human tumors. Under the sponsored research agreement, we have the right to license newly developed CAR-T constructs. We intend to further pursue preclinical development to validate and seek to establish the proprietary nature of the most promising CAR-T approaches coming out of the sponsored research program and, if successful, we would license and take forward into clinical studies.

To date, we have not received approval for the sale of our product candidates in any market and, therefore, have not generated any product sales from our product candidates. In addition, we have incurred substantial operating losses since our inception, and expect to continue to incur significant operating losses for the foreseeable future and may never become profitable. As of June 30, 2016, we have an accumulated deficit of \$6.5 million.

We are a majority controlled subsidiary of Fortress.

Mustang Bio, Inc. was incorporated in Delaware on March 13, 2015. Our executive offices are located at 2 Gansevoort Street, 9th Floor, New York, NY 10014. Our telephone number is (781) 652-4500 and our email address is ir@Mustang.com.

# **Critical Accounting Policies and Use of Estimates**

Our discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations are based on our financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States ("GAAP"). 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 the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities in our financial statements. On an ongoing basis, we evaluate our estimates and judgments, including those related to accrued expenses and stock-based compensation. We base our estimates on historical experience, known trends and events and various other factors that are believed 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 from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions.

Our significant accounting policies are described in the notes to our financial statements appearing elsewhere in this Form 10.

# **Results of Operations**

Comparison of the Six Months Ended June 30, 2016 and from March 13, 2015 (inception) to June 30, 2015

# Research and Development Expenses

Research and development expenses primarily consist of personnel related expenses, including salaries, benefits, travel, and other related expenses, stock-based compensation, payments made to third parties for license and milestone costs related to in-licensed products and technology, payments made to third party contract research organizations for preclinical and clinical studies, investigative sites for clinical trials, consultants, the cost of acquiring and manufacturing clinical trial materials, costs associated with regulatory filings, laboratory costs and other supplies.

For the six months ended June 30, 2016 and for the period from March 13, 2015 (inception) to June 30, 2015, research and development expenses were \$1.1 million and \$2.7 million, respectively. For the six months ended June 30, 2016, \$1.0 million relates to the quarterly expense related to our sponsored research agreement with the City of Hope National Medical Center ("COH") and \$0.1 million of expense is related to our Master Services Agreement ("MSA") with Fortress. The \$2.7 million of expense for the period March 13, 2015 (inception) through June 30, 2015, relates primarily to the acquisition of our exclusive license from the COH to acquire Chimeric Antigen Receptor (CAR) engineered T cells ("CAR-T"), which is comprised of an upfront fee of \$2.0 million and the issuance of 1.0 million Class A shares of our common stock, valued at \$0.1 million, recorded as research and development – licenses acquired on the Statements of operation, \$0.5 million related to our sponsored research agreement with COH and \$63,000 of expense related to our MSA with Fortress.

We expect our research and development activities to increase as we develop our existing product candidates and potentially acquire new product candidates, reflecting increasing costs associated with the following:

- · employee-related expenses, which include salaries and benefits, and rent expense;
- · license fees and milestone payments related to in-licensed products and technology;
- expenses incurred under agreements with contract research organizations, investigative sites and consultants that conduct our clinical trials and our preclinical activities;

- the cost of acquiring and manufacturing clinical trial materials; and
- · costs associated with non-clinical activities, and regulatory approvals.

# General and Administrative Expenses

General and administrative expenses consist primarily of salaries and related expenses, including stock-based compensation, for executives and other administrative personnel, recruitment expenses, professional fees and other corporate expenses, including investor relations, legal activities including patent fees, and facilities-related expenses.

For the six months ended June 30, 2016 and for the period from March 13, 2015 (inception) to June 30, 2015, general and administrative expenses were \$0.7 million and \$86,000. For the six months ended June 30, 2016, these fees consist of \$0.5 million of legal fees and \$0.1 million of expense in connection with the MSA with Fortress. For the period March 13, 2015 (inception) through June 30, 2015, general and administrative expenses were primarily related to \$63,000 of expense in connection with the MSA with Fortress.

We anticipate general and administrative expenses will increase in future periods, reflecting continued and increasing costs associated with:

- · support of our expanded research and development activities;
- · stock compensation granted to key employees and non-employees;
- · support of business development activities; and
- · increased professional fees and other costs associated with the regulatory requirements and increased compliance associated with being a public reporting company.

### **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

We have incurred substantial operating losses since our inception and expect to continue to incur significant operating losses for the foreseeable future and may never become profitable. As of June 30, 2016, we had an accumulated deficit of \$6.5 million.

In February 2015, Fortress closed a private placement of a promissory note for \$10 million through National Securities Corporation (the "NSC Note"). Fortress used the proceeds from the NSC Note to acquire medical technologies, products and for activities related to the formation of its subsidiaries. The NSC Note matures 36 months after issuance, provided that during the first 24 months, Fortress can extend the maturity date by six months. No principal amount will be due for the first 24 months after issuance (or the first 30 months after issuance if the maturity date is extended). Thereafter, the NSC Note will be repaid at the rate of 1/12 of the principal amount per month for a period of 12 months. Interest on the NSC Note is 8%, payable quarterly during the first 24 months after issuance (or the first 30 months after issuance if the NSC Note is extended) and monthly during the last 12 months. National Securities Corporation ("NSC"), a wholly owned subsidiary of National Holdings, Inc., acted as the sole placement agent for the NSC Note.

Fortress used some of the proceeds from the NSC Note to acquire our COH license agreement, by transferring this indebtedness to us. Since the NSC Note allows Fortress to transfer a portion of the proceeds from the NSC Note to us, on July 5, 2016 we executed an identical NSC Note of \$3.6 million in favor of NSC, representing a transfer of Fortress indebtedness. Further, in accordance with the terms of the NSC Note, we issued a warrant to NSC equal to twenty-five percent (25%) of the amount of NSC Note proceeds we received from Fortress divided by the lowest price at which we next sold common stock. The warrant issued has a term of 10 years and an exercise price equal to the par value of our common stock.

Through June 30, 2016, we funded all of our operations through Intercompany Working Capital Promissory Note ("Fortress Note"), which approximates \$4.9 million at June 30, 2016. Further, we have recorded interest expense of \$174,000 and \$42,000 related to this note in interest expense - due related in our Statements of Operations for the six months ended June 30, 2016 and for the period from March 13, 2015 (inception) to June 30, 2015, respectively. On July 5, 2016, Fortress transferred \$3.6 million of our indebtedness under our Fortress Note to its NSC Note.

In addition, we will need to continue to be funded by the Fortress Note until we are able to raise capital. Our plans to raise capital may not be successful. These factors, among others, raise substantial doubt about our ability to continue as a going concern.

# Period Ended December 31, 2015 from March 13, 2015 (Inception)

# Research and Development Expenses

For the period March 13, 2015 (inception) through December 31, 2015, research and development expenses were \$4.0 million, of which \$2.2 million was related to the acquisition of an exclusive license with COH, to acquire CAR-T. Such license comprised of an upfront fee of \$2.0 million and the issuance of 1.0 million Class A shares of our common stock valued at \$147,000 or \$0.147 per share. Additionally, we incurred \$1.5 million of expense related to our sponsored research arrangement with the COH for the development of CAR-T, \$0.2 million of expenses in connection with the Management Services Agreement ("MSA") we have with Fortress and \$0.2 million of expenses in connection with the Fortress annual equity fee.

# General and Administrative Expenses

For the period March 13, 2015 (inception) through December 31, 2015, general and administrative expenses were \$0.3 million, which primarily consisted of \$0.1 million for professional fees, primarily in connection with the acquisition and maintenance of our license and \$0.2 million of expenses in connection with the MSA with Fortress.

# Liquidity and Capital Resources

Fortress used the proceeds from the NSC Note to acquire medical technologies and products, such as our COH license agreement. For the period March 13, 2015 (inception) through December 31, 2015, Fortress did not transfer any portion of our related party working capital advances under the Fortress Note to the NSC Note. As of December 31, 2015, we funded all of our operations through the Fortress Note, which approximated \$3.6 million and recorded interest expense - related party of \$0.2 million for the period March 13, 2015 (Inception) through December 31, 2015.

In addition, we will need to continue to be funded by the Fortress Note or by the NSC Note until we are able to raise capital. Our plans to raise capital may not be successful. These factors, among others, raise substantial doubt about our ability to continue as a going concern.

# **Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements**

In March 2016, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") No. 2016-09, Compensation – Stock Compensation (Topic 718): Improvements to Employee Share-Based Payment Accounting ("ASU 2016-09"). The amendment is to simplify several aspects of the accounting for share-based payment transactions including the income tax consequences, classification of awards as either equity or liabilities, and classification on the statement of cash flows. For public entities, the amendments in ASU 2016-09 are effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2016. When adopted, we do not expect this guidance to have a material impact on our financial statements.

In February 2016, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") No. 2016-02, Leases (Topic 842) which supersedes FASB ASC Topic 840, Leases (Topic 840) and provides principles for the recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure of leases for both lessees and lessors. The new standard requires lessees to apply a dual approach, classifying leases as either finance or operating leases based on the principle of whether or not the lease is effectively a financed purchase by the lessee. This classification will determine whether lease expense is recognized based on an effective interest method or on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease, respectively. A lessee is also required to record a right-of-use asset and a lease liability for all leases with a term of greater than twelve months regardless of classification. Leases with a term of twelve months or less will be accounted for similar to existing guidance for operating leases. The standard is effective for annual and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2018, with early adoption permitted upon issuance. We are currently evaluating the method of adoption and the impact of adopting ASU 2016-02 on our financial statements. When adopted, we do not expect this guidance to have a material impact on our financial statements.

In January 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-01 Recognition and Measurement of Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities ("ASU 2016-01"). ASU 2016-01 requires equity investments to be measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognized in net income; simplifies the impairment assessment of equity investments without readily determinable fair values by requiring a qualitative assessment to identify impairment; eliminates the requirement for public business entities to disclose the method(s) and significant assumptions used to estimate the fair value that is required to be disclosed for financial instruments measured at amortized cost on the balance sheet; requires public business entities to use the exit price notion when measuring the fair value of financial instruments for disclosure purposes; requires an entity to present separately in other comprehensive income the portion of the total change in the fair value of a liability resulting from a change in the instrument-specific credit risk when the entity has elected to measure the liability at fair value in accordance with the fair value option for financial instruments; requires separate presentation of financial assets and financial liabilities by measurement category and form of financial assets on the balance sheet or the accompanying notes to the financial statements and clarifies that an entity should evaluate the need for a valuation allowance on a deferred tax asset related to available-for-sale securities in combination with the entity's other deferred tax assets. ASU 2016-01 is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2017, and interim periods within those fiscal years. We are currently evaluating the impact that ASU 2016-01 will have on our balance sheet or financial statement disclosures. When adopted, we do not expect this guidance to have a material impact on our financial statements.

In November 2015, the FASB issued ASU No. 2015-17, Balance Sheet Classification of Deferred Taxes ("ASU 2015-17"). ASU 2015-17 requires that deferred tax liabilities and assets be classified as noncurrent in a classified statement of financial position. ASU 2015-17 is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2016, and interim periods within those fiscal years. We are currently evaluating the impact that ASU 2015-17 will have on our balance sheet or financial statement disclosures. When adopted, we do not expect this guidance to have a material impact on our financial statements.

In April 2015, the FASB issued ASU No. 2015-03, Simplifying the Presentation of Debt Issuance Costs ("ASU 2015-03"), which requires debt issuance costs to be presented in the balance sheet as a direct deduction from the carrying value of the associated debt liability, consistent with the presentation of a debt discount. ASU 2015-03 is effective for the interim and annual periods ending after December 15, 2015, with early adoption permitted. We adopted ASU 2015-03 and such adoption resulted in debt issuance costs presented as an offset against notes payable, long-term, in the accompanying balance sheet.

In August 2014, the FASB issued ASU No. 2014-15, *Presentation of Financial Statements-Going Concern* ("ASU 2014-15"), which defines management's responsibility to assess an entity's ability to continue as a going concern, and to provide related footnote disclosures if there is substantial doubt about its ability to continue as a going concern. ASU 2014-15 is effective for annual reporting periods ending after December 15, 2016, with early adoption permitted. We are currently evaluating the impact of adopting ASU 2014-15 and its related disclosures. When adopted, we do not expect this guidance to have a material impact on our financial statements.

# **Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

We are not party to any off-balance sheet transactions. We have no guarantees or obligations other than those which arise out of normal business operations.

#### Item 3. Properties.

Our corporate and executive office is located at 2 Gansevoort Street, 9th Floor, New York, NY 10014. We are not currently under a lease agreement at 2 Gansevoort Street. We believe that our existing facilities are adequate to meet our current requirements. We do not own any real property.

# Item 4. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management.

The following table sets forth certain information with respect to the beneficial ownership of our common and preferred stock, and, as indicated, our Class A Common Stock, Class A Preferred Stock and vested warrants, as of September 15, 2016, for:

- · each of our named executive officers;
- · each of our directors:
- · all of our current executive officers and directors as a group; and
- each person, or group of affiliated persons, known by us to be the beneficial owner of more than 5% of our outstanding shares of common stock and preferred stock.

As of September 14, 2016, there were 10,250,000 shares of our capital stock outstanding. In order to calculate a stockholder's percentage of beneficial ownership, we include in the calculation those shares underlying options or warrants beneficially owned by that stockholder that are vested or that will vest within 60 days of January 31, 2016. Shares of restricted stock are deemed to be outstanding. Options or warrants held by other stockholders that are not attributed to the named beneficial owner are disregarded in this calculation. Beneficial ownership is determined in accordance with the rules of the SEC and includes voting or investment power with respect to the shares of our common stock. Except as indicated in footnotes to this table, we believe that the stockholders named in this table will have sole voting and investment power with respect to all shares of common stock shown to be beneficially owned by them, based on information provided to us by such stockholders. Unless otherwise indicated, the address for each director and executive officer listed is: c/o Mustang Bio, Inc., 2 Gansevoort Street, 9th Floor, New York, NY 10014.

	Common Stock Beneficially Owned		
	Number of Shares and Nature of		
	Beneficial	Percentage of	
Name and Address of Beneficial Owner	Ownership	Total Common Equity	
Michael S. Weiss	500,000(1)	5.56%(1)	
David J. Horin	0	-	
Lindsay A. Rosenwald, M.D.	500,000(1)	5.56%(1)	
Neil Herskowitz	0	-	
All executive officers and directors as a group	0(2)	-(2)	
5% or Greater Stockholders:			
Fortress Biotech, Inc.	9,000,000(3)	100%	

- (1) Includes 500,000 warrants issued by Fortress to each of Mr. Weiss and Dr. Rosenwald that cover shares of our common stock that are owned by Fortress. These do not represent equity compensation by us to either Mr. Weiss or Dr. Rosenwald.
- (2) The total calculation for all executive officers and directors as a group does not include Mr. Weiss' and Dr. Rosenwald's warrants, which have not yet been exercised. The shares underlying the warrants are currently held by Fortress and are included in the 9,000,000 shares shown as held by Fortress.
- (3) Includes the 1,000,000 shares of common stock underlying the warrants granted by Fortress to Mr. Weiss and Dr. Rosenwald.

	Class	A Common Stock	
	Beneficially		
		Owned	
	Number of		
	Shares and		
	Nature of		
	Beneficial	Percentage of	
Name and Address of Beneficial Owner	Ownership	<b>Total Class A Common Equity</b>	
Michael S. Weiss	0	-	
David J. Horin	0	-	
Lindsay A. Rosenwald, M.D.	0	-	
Neil Herskowitz	0	-	
All executive officers and directors as a group	0	-	
5% or Greater Stockholders:			
Fortress Biotech, Inc.	0	-	
City of Hope	1,000,000	100%	

Class	A Preferred Stock
	Beneficially
	Owned
Number of	
Shares and	
Nature of	
Beneficial	Percentage of
Ownership	Total Class A Preferred Equity
0	
0	-
0	-
0	-

# 5% or Greater Stockholders:

Lindsay A. Rosenwald, M.D.

Michael S. Weiss David J. Horin

Neil Herskowitz

Fortress Biotech, Inc. 250,000 100%

# Item 5. Directors and Executive Officers.

All executive officers and directors as a group

The following table sets forth certain information about our directors and executive officers as of the date of this registration statement.

Name and Address of Beneficial Owner

Name	Age	Position	
Michael S. Weiss	50	Executive Chairman of the Board of Directors, Chief Executive Officer and President	
David J. Horin	48	Interim Chief Financial Officer	
Lindsay A. Rosenwald, M.D.	60	Director	
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None of the events listed in Item 401(f) of Regulation S-K has occurred during the past ten years and that is material to the evaluation of the ability or integrity of any of our directors, director nominees or executive officers.

The following is a brief account of the business experience during the past five years (and, in some instances, for prior years) of each executive officer and non-executive director of our company.

# **Executive Officers**

Michael S. Weiss - Executive Chairman of the Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer

Michael S. Weiss has served as both a director and member of senior management in public and private companies over the past two decades. He has served as Chief Executive Officer and Executive Chairman of our Board of Directors since March 2015 and has served as a director and Executive Vice Chairman of our parent company, Fortress, since February 2014. He also served as Co-Chairman of the Board of Directors of CB Pharma Acquisition Corp. from their inception in 2014 to June 2016. He has also served as Executive Chairman, Interim Chief Executive Officer and President of TG Therapeutics, Inc., a company he founded in 2011. Mr. Weiss is also currently Co-Portfolio Manager and Partner of Opus Point Partners, LLC, which he co-founded in 2009. From 2002 to 2009, Mr. Weiss was the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Keryx Biopharmaceuticals, Inc., where he helped the company acquire and develop its lead drug, Auryxia, as well as executed a strategic alliance for Auryxia with Japan Tobacco, Inc. and Torii Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. worth more than \$100 million. Mr. Weiss also served as Chairman of the board of directors of National Holdings Corporation from 2011 to 2012. Mr. Weiss' extensive experience founding and managing early stage life science companies makes him an ideal candidate to serve on our Board. Mr. Weiss began his professional career as a lawyer with Cravath, Swaine & Moore LLP. He earned his J.D. from Columbia Law School and his B.S. in Finance from The University at Albany.

# David J. Horin - Interim Chief Financial Officer

Mr. Horin has served as our Interim Chief Financial Officer under our agreement with Chord Advisors, LLC ("Chord") since August 31, 2015. Pursuant to such agreement, we pay Chord \$7,500 per month for its back office accounting support and accounting policy and financial reporting services that it provides to us, including the services of Mr. Horin. Mr. Horin provides services of approximately 25 hours per month. We do not have information, nor any influence over Mr. Horin's direct compensation from Chord. Mr. Horin has been a Managing Partner of Chord since June 2012. Chord provides accounting advisory services, SEC reporting advisory services, and IPO-readiness services. While at Chord, Mr. Horin has gained extensive experience in financial accounting and SEC reporting for complex business transactions and issues arising from the application of existing or proposed financial accounting guidance. From March 2008 to June 2012, Mr. Horin was the Chief Financial Officer of Rodman & Renshaw Capital Group, Inc., a full-service investment bank dedicated to providing corporate finance, strategic advisory, sales and trading and related services to public and private companies across multiple sectors and regions. From March 2003 through March 2008, Mr. Horin was the Chief Accounting Officer at Jefferies Group, Inc., a full-service global investment bank and institutional securities firm focused on growth and middle-market companies and their investors. Prior to his employment at Jefferies Group, Inc., from 2000 to 2003, Mr. Horin was a Senior Manager in KPMG's Department of Professional Practice in New York, where he advised firm members and clients on technical accounting and risk management matters for a variety of public, international and early growth stage entities. Mr. Horin's education as well as his years of experience as a senior finance executive make him an excellent candidate to serve as the interim Chief Financial Officer of the Company. Mr. Horin has a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting from Baruch C

#### Non-Executive Directors

# Lindsay A. Rosenwald, M.D.

Dr. Rosenwald has served as a member of our Board of Directors since inception. From November 2014 to August 2015, he also was our Chief Executive Officer and President. Dr. Rosenwald has been a member of the Board of Directors of Fortress since October 2009 and has served as its Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer since December 2013. He also served as Co-Chairman of the Board of Directors of CB Pharma Acquisition Corp. from their inception in 2014 to June 2016. Dr. Rosenwald also is Co-Portfolio Manager and Partner of Opus Point Partners Management, LLC, an asset management firm in the life sciences industry, which he co-founded in 2009. Prior to that, from 1991 to 2008, he served as the Chairman of Paramount BioCapital, Inc. Over the last 23 years, Dr. Rosenwald has acted as a biotechnology entrepreneur and has been involved in the founding and recapitalization of numerous public and private biotechnology and life sciences companies. Dr. Rosenwald received his B.S. in finance from Pennsylvania State University and his M.D. from Temple University School of Medicine. Based on Dr. Rosenwald's biotechnology and pharmaceutical industry experience and in-depth understanding of our business, the Board of Directors believes that Dr. Rosenwald has the appropriate set of skills to serve as a member of the Board in light of our business and structure.

#### Neil Herskowitz

Mr. Herskowitz joined our Board of Directors in August 2015. Mr. Herskowitz has been a Managing Member of the ReGen Group of Companies since 1998, which include Riverside Contracting LLC, Riverside Claims LLC, ReGen Capital I LLC, ReGen Partners LLC, ReGen Partners I L.P. and, most recently, ReGen Capital Investments LLC and Riverside Claims Investments LLC. He has extensive board membership experience, including as: (1) a director of TG Therapeutics, Inc., a public company, from July 2004 to June 2015; (2) Chairman of the Board of Directors of Starting Point Services for Children, a not-for-profit corporation; (3) a Non-Executive Director at Checkpoint Therapeutics, Inc. since August 2015; (4) a Non-Executive Director of Avenue Therapeutics, Inc. since December 2015; (5) an Independent Director and Audit Committee Chairman at CB Pharma Acquisition Corporation since November 2014; and (6) previous director positions on the boards of CytRx Oncology Corporation, Alacrity Biosciences, Inc., Innovive Pharmaceuticals and Chelsea Therapeutics International Ltd. (formerly, Ivory Capital Corp). Mr. Herskowitz acquired a B.B.A. in Finance from Bernard M. Baruch College in 1978.

# **Family Relationships**

There is no family relationship between any director, executive officer or person nominated to become a director or executive officer.

# Composition of our Board of Directors

Our bylaws provide that our Board shall consist of between one and nine directors, and such number of directors within this range may be determined from time to time by resolution of our board of directors or our stockholders. Currently, we have three directors.

Our bylaws also provide that our directors may be removed with or without cause by the affirmative vote of the holders of at least a majority of the votes that all our stockholders would be entitled to cast in an annual election of directors. An election of our directors by our stockholders will be determined by a plurality of the votes cast by the stockholders entitled to vote on the election.

Our current and future executive officers and significant employees serve at the discretion of our board of directors. Our board of directors may also choose to form certain committees, such as a compensation and an audit committee.

# Communicating with the Board of Directors

Our Board has established a process by which stockholders can send communications to the Board. You may communicate with the Board as a group, or to specific directors, by writing to Robyn Hunter, our Corporate Secretary, at our offices located at 2 Gansevoort Street, 9th Floor, New York, New York 10014. The Corporate Secretary will review all such correspondence and regularly forward to our Board a summary of all correspondence and copies of all correspondence that, in the opinion of the Corporate Secretary, deals with the functions of the Board or committees thereof or that he otherwise determines requires their attention. Directors may at any time review a log of all correspondence we receive that is addressed to members of our Board and request copies of any such correspondence. Concerns relating to accounting, internal controls, or auditing matters may be communicated in this manner, or may be submitted on an anonymous basis via e-mail at BOD@mustangbio.com. These concerns will be immediately brought to the attention of our Board and handled in accordance with procedures established by our Board.

# **Code of Ethics**

We adopted a Code of Ethics that applies to all directors, officers and employees. Our Code of Ethics is available on our website at www.mustangbio.com. A copy of our Code of Ethics will also be provided to any person without charge, upon written request sent to us at our offices located at 2 Gansevoort Street, 9th Floor, New York NY 10014.

# Item 6. Executive Compensation.

As an emerging growth company, we are required to disclose the compensation earned by or paid to our named executive officers during 2015. Since inception at March 13, 2015 through June 30, 2016, Mr. Weiss did not earn or receive any compensation for his service to us either from us or Fortress nor did we receive the services of Mr. Horin pursuant to the terms of our agreement with Chord for accounting support and accounting policy and financial reporting, as described below.

Compensation Arrangements for Executive Officers

Mr. Weiss serves as Executive Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. We intend to pay Mr. Weiss \$5,000 per month commencing upon the completion of a successful third party capital raise of \$10.0 million or greater. Mr. Horin serves as Interim Chief Financial Officer, pursuant to the terms of our agreement with Chord. Pursuant to such agreement, we will pay Chord \$7,500 per month for its back office accounting support and accounting policy and financial reporting services that it provides to us, including the services of Mr. Horin commencing on the effective date of this registration statement.

Employee Benefit and Incentive Plans

We do not maintain any deferred compensation, retirement, pension or profit sharing plans. Our board of directors has adopted an incentive plan, the material terms of which are described below, allowing for the grant of equity and cash-based awards to our employees and directors.

Director Compensation

None of our directors received any compensation for their services as a director from our inception on March 13, 2015 through June 30, 2016.

Director Compensation Program

In July 2016 our directors adopted a Non-Employee Directors Compensation Plan for our non-employee (including employees of Fortress) directors pursuant to our 2016 Incentive Plan. Our non-employee directors will receive the following compensation, with payments to commence upon a successful third party capital financing:

# Cash Compensation:

- · \$50,000 annual retainer; and
- $\cdot$  \$10,000 additional annual retainer for the Audit Committee Chair.

# Equity Compensation:

- Initial Equity Grant: 50,000 shares of restricted stock, which shares shall vest and become non-forfeitable in equal annual installments over three years, beginning on the third (3rd) anniversary of the grant date, subject to the director's continued service on the board of directors on such date.
- · Re-Election Equity Grant: The greater of (i) a number of shares of restricted stock having a fair market value on the grant date of \$50,000, or (ii) 10,000 shares of restricted stock, which shares shall vest and become non-forfeitable on the third (3rd) anniversary of the grant date, subject to the director's continued service on the board of directors on such date.

In addition, each non-employee director receives reimbursement for reasonable travel expenses incurred in attending meetings of our board of directors and meetings of committees of our board of directors.

Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation

We do not currently have a compensation committee, and, from our inception on March 13, 2015 through June 30, 2016, the compensation, if any, of our executive officers was recommended by our Chief Executive Officer and Chairman; such recommendations were approved by our board of directors. None of our executive officers currently serves as a member of the compensation committee or as a director with compensation duties of any entity that has executive officers serving on our board of directors. None of our executive officers has served in such capacity in the past 12 months.

# **Equity Incentive Plan**

2016 Incentive Plan

Our board of directors adopted the Mustang Bio, Inc. 2016 Incentive Plan (the "2016 Plan"). The material terms of the 2016 Plan are described below.

*Purpose.* The purpose of the 2016 Plan is to promote our success by linking the personal interests of our employees, officers, directors and consultants to those of our stockholders, and by providing participants with an incentive for outstanding performance.

Administration. The 2016 Plan will be administered by the Compensation Committee, or, if not yet established, all of the independent members of our board of directors (the "Compensation Committee"). The Compensation Committee will have the authority to grant awards; designate participants; determine the type or types of awards to be granted to each participant and the number of awards to be granted and the number of shares or dollar amount to which an award will relate and the terms and conditions thereof; prescribe the form of award; establish, adopt or revise any rules and regulations as it may deem advisable to administer the 2016 Plan; make all other decisions and determinations that may be required under the 2016 Plan and amend the 2016 Plan. Our Board of Directors may at any time administer the 2016 Plan. If it does so, it will have all the powers of the Compensation Committee under the 2016 Plan. In addition, our Board of Directors or Compensation Committee may expressly delegate to a special committee some or all of the Compensation Committee's authority, within specified parameters, to grant awards to eligible participants who, at the time of grant, are not executive officers or directors.

Permissible Awards. The 2016 Plan authorizes the board of directors (or the Compensation Committee upon establishment by the board of directors) to grant awards in any of the following forms:

- options to purchase shares of our common stock, which may be nonstatutory stock options or incentive stock options under the Internal Revenue Code. The exercise price of an option granted under the 2016 Plan may not be less than the fair market value of our common stock on the date of grant. Stock options granted under the 2016 Plan may not have a term longer than ten (10) years;
- stock appreciation rights, or SARs, which give the holder the right to receive the excess, if any, of the fair market value of one (1) share of our common stock on the date of exercise, over the base price of the stock appreciation right. The base price of a SAR may not be less than the fair market value of our common stock on the date of grant. SARs granted under the 2016 Plan may not have a term longer than ten years;
- · restricted stock, which is subject to restrictions on transferability and subject to forfeiture on terms set by the Compensation Committee;
- · restricted stock units, which represent the right to receive shares of our common stock (or an equivalent value in cash or other property) in the future, based upon the attainment of stated vesting or performance goals set by the Compensation Committee;

- · deferred stock units, which represent the right to receive shares of our common stock (or an equivalent value in cash or other property) in the future, generally without any vesting or performance restrictions;
- · other stock-based awards in the discretion of the Compensation Committee, including unrestricted stock grants; and
- · cash-based awards in the discretion of the Compensation Committee, including cash-based performance awards.

All awards will be evidenced by a written award certificate between us and the participant, which will include such provisions as may be specified by the Compensation Committee. Dividend equivalent rights, which entitle the participant to payments in cash or property calculated by reference to the amount of dividends paid on the shares of stock underlying an award, may be granted with respect to awards other than options or SARs.

Awards to Non-Employee Directors. Awards granted under the 2016 Plan to our non-employee directors will be made only in accordance with the terms, conditions and parameters of a plan, program or policy for the compensation of non-employee directors as in effect from time to time. The Compensation Committee may not make discretionary grants under the 2016 Plan to non-employee directors. The maximum aggregate number of shares associated with any award granted under the 2016 Plan in any calendar year to any one non-employee director is 100,000.

Shares Available for Awards, Adjustments. Subject to adjustment as provided in the 2016 Plan, the aggregate number of shares of our common stock reserved and available for issuance pursuant to awards granted under the 2016 Plan is 2,000,000. Shares subject to awards that are canceled, terminated, forfeited, settled in cash, withheld to satisfy exercise prices or tax withholding obligations or otherwise not issued for any reason, including by reason of failure to achieve maximum performance goals, will again be available for awards under the 2016 Plan. In the event of a nonreciprocal transaction between us and our stockholders that causes the per share value of our common stock to change (including, without limitation, any stock dividend, stock split, spin-off, rights offering, or large nonrecurring cash dividend), the share authorization limits under the 2016 Plan will be adjusted proportionately, and the Compensation Committee must make such adjustments to the 2016 Plan and awards as it deems necessary, in its sole discretion, to prevent dilution or enlargement of rights immediately resulting from such transaction.

Limitations on Transfer; Beneficiaries. No award will be assignable or transferable by a participant other than by will or the laws of descent and distribution; provided, however, that nonstatutory stock options may be transferred without consideration to members of a participant's immediate family, to trusts in which such immediate family members have more than fifty percent (50%) of the beneficial interest, to foundations in which such immediate family members (or the participant) control the management of assets, and to any other entity (including limited partnerships and limited liability companies) in which the immediate family members (or the participant) own more than fifty percent (50%) of the voting interest; and provided, further, that the Compensation Committee may permit other transfers (other than transfers for value) where the Compensation Committee concludes that such transferability does not result in accelerated taxation, does not cause any option intended to be an incentive stock option to fail to qualify as such, and is otherwise appropriate and desirable, taking into account any factors deemed relevant, including without limitation, any state or federal tax or securities laws or regulations applicable to transferable awards. A participant may, in the manner determined by the Compensation Committee, designate a beneficiary to exercise the rights of the participant and to receive any distribution with respect to any award upon the participant's death.

Treatment of Awards upon a Change in Control Unless otherwise provided in an award certificate or any special plan document governing an award, upon the occurrence of a change in control of our company, (i) all outstanding options, SARs and other awards in the nature of rights that may be exercised will become fully exercisable, (ii) all time-based vesting restrictions on outstanding awards will lapse; and (iii) the payout opportunities attainable under all outstanding performance-based awards will vest based on target performance and the awards will pay out on a pro rata basis, based on the time elapsed prior to the change in control.

Discretionary Acceleration. The Compensation Committee may, in its discretion, accelerate the vesting and/or payment of any awards for any reason, subject to certain limitations under Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code. The Compensation Committee may discriminate among participants or among awards in exercising such discretion.

Certain Transactions. Upon the occurrence or in anticipation of certain corporate events or extraordinary transactions, the Compensation Committee may also make discretionary adjustments to awards, including settling awards for cash, providing that awards will become fully vested and exercisable, providing for awards to be assumed or substituted, or modifying performance targets or periods for awards.

Termination and Amendment. The 2016 Plan will terminate on the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) anniversary of its adoption, or, if the stockholders approve an amendment to the 2016 Plan that increases the number of shares subject to the 2016 Plan, the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) anniversary of the date of such approval, unless earlier terminated by our Board of Directors or Compensation Committee. Our Board or Compensation Committee may, at any time and from time to time, terminate or amend the 2016 Plan, but if an amendment to the 2016 Plan would constitute a material amendment requiring stockholder approval under applicable listing requirements, laws, policies or regulations, then such amendment will be subject to stockholder approval. No termination or amendment of the 2016 Plan may adversely affect any award previously granted under the 2016 Plan without the written consent of the participant. Without the prior approval of our stockholders, and except as otherwise permitted by the anti-dilution provisions of the 2016 Plan, the 2016 Plan may not be amended to permit us to directly or indirectly reprice, replace or repurchase "underwater" options or SARs.

The Compensation Committee may amend or terminate outstanding awards. However, such amendments may require the consent of the participant and, unless approved by the stockholders or otherwise permitted by the anti-dilution provisions of the 2016 Plan, (i) the exercise price or base price of an option or SAR may not be reduced, directly or indirectly, (ii) an option or SAR may not be cancelled in exchange for cash, other awards, or options or SARS with an exercise price or base price that is less than the exercise price or base price of the original option or SAR, or otherwise, (iii) we may not repurchase an option or SAR for value (in cash or otherwise) from a participant if the current fair market value of the shares of our common stock underlying the option or SAR is lower than the exercise price or base price per share of the option or SAR, and (iv) the original term of an option or SAR may not be extended.

Prohibition on Repricing. As indicated above under "Termination and Amendment," outstanding stock options and SARs cannot be repriced, directly or indirectly, without the prior consent of our stockholders. The exchange of an "underwater" option or stock appreciation right (i.e., an option or stock appreciation right having an exercise price or base price in excess of the current market value of the underlying stock) for cash or for another award would be considered an indirect repricing and would, therefore, require the prior consent of our stockholders.

# **Certain Federal Tax Effects**

The following discussion is limited to a summary of the US federal income tax provisions relating to the grant, exercise and vesting of awards under the 2016 Plan and the subsequent sale of common stock acquired under the 2016 Plan. The tax consequences of awards may vary depending upon the particular circumstances, and it should be noted that the income tax laws, regulations and interpretations thereof change frequently. Participants should rely upon their own tax advisors for advice concerning the specific tax consequences applicable to them, including the applicability and effect of state, local, and foreign tax laws.

Nonstatutory Stock Options. There typically will be no federal income tax consequences to the optionee or to us upon the grant of a nonstatutory stock option under the 2016 Plan. When the optionee exercises a nonstatutory option, however, he or she will recognize ordinary income in an amount equal to the excess of the fair market value of our common stock received upon exercise of the option at the time of exercise over the exercise price, and we will typically be allowed a corresponding deduction. Any gain that the optionee realizes when he or she later sells or disposes of the option shares will be short-term or long-term capital gain, depending on how long the shares were held.

Incentive Stock Options. There typically will be no federal income tax consequences to the optionee or to us upon the grant or exercise of an incentive stock option. If the optionee holds the option shares for the required holding period of at least two (2) years after the date the option was granted or one (1) year after exercise, the difference between the exercise price and the amount realized upon sale or disposition of the option shares will be long-term capital gain or loss, and we will not be entitled to a federal income tax deduction. If the optionee disposes of the option shares in a sale, exchange, or other disqualifying disposition before the required holding period ends, he or she will recognize taxable ordinary income in an amount equal to the excess of the fair market value of the option shares at the time of exercise (or, if less, the amount realized on the disposition of the shares) over the exercise price, and we would typically be allowed a federal income tax deduction equal to such amount. While the exercise of an incentive stock option does not result in current taxable income, the excess of the fair market value of the option shares at the time of exercise over the exercise price will be an item of adjustment for purposes of determining the optionee's alternative minimum taxable income.

Stock Appreciation Rights. A participant receiving a stock appreciation right typically will not recognize income, and we will not be allowed a tax deduction, at the time the award is granted. When the participant exercises the stock appreciation right, the amount of cash and the fair market value of any shares of our common stock received will be ordinary income to the participant and we will typically be allowed as a corresponding federal income tax deduction at that time.

Restricted Stock. Unless a participant makes an election to accelerate recognition of income to the date of grant as described below, the participant will not recognize income, and we will not be allowed a tax deduction, at the time a restricted stock award is granted, provided that the award is subject to restrictions on transfer and is subject to a substantial risk of forfeiture. When the restrictions lapse, the participant will recognize ordinary income equal to the fair market value of our common stock as of that date (less any amount he or she paid for the stock), and we will typically be allowed a corresponding federal income tax deduction at that time, subject to limitations in certain circumstances. If the participant files an election under Code Section 83(b) within thirty (30) days after the date of grant of the restricted stock, he or she will recognize ordinary income as of the date of grant equal to the fair market value of the stock as of that date (less any amount paid for the stock), and we will typically be allowed a corresponding federal income tax deduction, subject to limitations in certain circumstances at that time. Any future appreciation in the stock will be taxable to the participant at capital gains rates. However, if the stock is later forfeited, the participant will not be able to recover the tax previously paid pursuant to the Section 83(b) election. To the extent unrestricted dividends are paid during the restricted period under the applicable award agreement, any such dividends will be taxable to the participant as dividends and will not be deductible by us unless the participant as dividends and will not be deductible by us.

Stock Units. A participant typically will not recognize income, and we will not be allowed a tax deduction, at the time a stock unit award is granted. Upon receipt of shares of our common stock (or the equivalent value in cash) in settlement of a stock unit award, a participant will recognize ordinary income equal to the fair market value of our common stock or other property as of that date, and we will typically be allowed a corresponding federal income tax deduction at that time, subject to limitations in certain circumstances.

Cash-Based Performance Awards. A participant will not recognize income, and we will not be allowed a tax deduction, at the time a cash-based performance award is granted (for example, when the performance goals are established). Upon receipt of cash in settlement of the award, the participant will recognize ordinary income equal to the cash received, and we will typically be allowed a corresponding federal income tax deduction at that time, subject to limitations in certain circumstances.

# Item 7. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions, and Director Independence.

The following is a summary of each transaction or series of similar transactions since the inception of Mustang to which it was or is a party and that:

- the amount involved exceeded or exceeds \$120,000 or is greater than 1% of our total assets; and
- · any of our directors or executive officers, any holder of 5% of our capital stock or any member of their immediate family had or will have a direct or indirect material interest.

Effective March 13, 2015, we entered into a Founders Agreement with Fortress, which was amended and restated on May 17, 2016 and again on July 26, 2016 (the "Founders Agreement"). The Founders Agreement provides, that in exchange for the time and capital expended in the formation of the Company and the identification of specific assets the acquisition of which result in the formation of a viable emerging growth life science company, the Company assumed \$2.0 million in debt that Fortress accumulated under the NSC Note for expenses and costs of forming the Company, and the Company shall also: (i) pay an equity fee in shares of common stock, payable within five (5) business days of the closing of any equity or debt financing for Mustang or any of its respective subsidiaries that occurs after the effective date of the Founders Agreement and ending on the date when Fortress no longer has majority voting control in Mustang's voting equity, equal to two and one-half (2.5%) of the gross amount of any such equity or debt financing; and (ii) pay a cash fee equal to four and one-half percent (4.5%) of our annual net sales, payable on an annual basis, within ninety (90) days of the end of each calendar year. In the event of a Change in Control (as it is defined in the Founders Agreement), we will pay a one-time change in control fee equal to five (5x) times the product of (i) monthly net sales for the twelve (12) months immediately preceding the change in control and (ii) four and one-half percent (4.5%). The Founders Agreement has a term of fifteen years, after which it automatically renews for successive one-year periods unless Fortress gives the Company notice of termination or a Change in Control occurs.

Effective March 13, 2015, we entered into a Management Services Agreement (the "MSA") with Fortress. Pursuant to the terms of the MSA, for a period of five (5) years, Fortress will render advisory and consulting services to us. Services provided under the MSA may include, without limitation, (i) advice and assistance concerning any and all aspects of our operations, clinical trials, financial planning and strategic transactions and financings and (ii) conducting relations on behalf of our Company with accountants, attorneys, financial advisors and other professionals (collectively, the "Services"). We are obligated to utilize clinical research services, medical education, communication and marketing services and investor relations/public relation services of companies or individuals designated by Fortress, provided those services are offered at market prices. However, we are not obligated to take or act upon any advice rendered to us from Fortress and Fortress shall not be liable for any of our actions or inactions based upon their advice. Fortress and its affiliates, including all members of our Board of Directors, have been contractually exempt from their fiduciary duties to our Company relating to corporate opportunities. In consideration for the Services, we will pay Fortress an annual consulting fee of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) (the "Annual Consulting Fee"), payable in advance in equal quarterly installments on the first business day of each calendar quarter in each year, provided, however, that such Annual Consulting Fee shall be increased to one million dollars (\$1,000,000) for each calendar year in which we have net assets in excess of one hundred million dollars (\$100,000,000) at the beginning of the calendar year.

Effective March 13, 2015, in connection with the Founders Agreement, the Company and Fortress entered into an Intercompany Working Capital Promissory Note ("Fortress Note"), in which Fortress agreed to provide a working capital line of credit until the Company has a third party financing. The Fortress Note due on demand and accrues interest of 8% per year, with interest due and principal due upon demand. The Fortress Note can be pre-paid at any time in cash or through Fortress' indebtedness to NSC Biotech Venture Fund I, LLC ("NSC Note") or other similar indebtedness.

Michael S. Weiss, our Executive Chairman of the Board of Directors, President and Chief Executive Officer, is currently Executive Vice Chairman of Fortress. The MSA and Founders Agreements were negotiated with Fortress.

On April 8, 2016, we entered into a full service consulting agreement with Chord to provide advisory accounting services to us. Under the terms of the agreement, we pay Chord \$7,500 per month to perform back office accounting functions, accounting analysis and financial reporting. Either party upon 30-days written notice can terminate the agreement. In addition to these services, Mr. Horin, a Managing Partner of Chord, will serve as our Interim Chief Financial Officer. Chord also provides advisory accounting services to Fortress under a separate agreement.

# Fortress Financing Arrangements Affecting our Company

On February 27, 2015, Fortress executed a Note Purchase Agreement (the "Fortress Note Purchase Agreement") with NSC Biotech Venture Fund I LLC ("Investor") and issued the NSC Note in favor of the Investor. See "Liquidity and Capital Resources" for a description of the NSC Note.

# **Director Independence**

Though not a listed company, we intend to adhere to the corporate governance standards adopted by Nasdaq. Nasdaq rules require our Board to make an affirmative determination as to the independence of each director. Consistent with these rules, our Board conducted its annual review of director independence. During the review, our Board considered relationships and transactions since incorporation between each director or any member of his immediate family, on the one hand, and us and our subsidiaries and affiliates, on the other hand. The purpose of this review was to determine whether any such relationships or transactions were inconsistent with a determination that the director is independent. Based on this review, our Board determined that one of the current members of our Board, Neil Herskowitz, is an independent director under the criteria established by Nasdaq and by our Board. In the near future and prior to the effectiveness of this registration statement we intend to add two additional non-executive directors to our board in order to fully satisfy the Nasdaq and SEC requirements.

Our board of directors has a chairman, Michael S. Weiss, who has authority, among other things, to call and preside over board meetings, to set meeting agendas and to determine materials to be distributed to the board of directors. Accordingly, the chairman has substantial ability to shape the work of the board of directors.

# Item 8. Legal Proceedings.

Otherwise as disclosed below, we are not involved in any litigation that we believe could have a material adverse effect on our financial position or results of operations. There is no action, suit, proceeding, inquiry or investigation before or by any court, public board, government agency, self-regulatory organization or body pending or, to the knowledge of our executive officers, threatened against or affecting our company or our officers or directors in their capacities as such.

On January 15, 2016, Dr. Winson Tang ("Plaintiff") filed a Complaint against the Company in the Superior Court of the State of California, County of Los Angeles. Winson Tang v. Lindsay Rosenwald et al, Case No. BC607346. In his complaint, among other claims, Plaintiff alleged that the Company breached its obligations allegedly owed to Plaintiff as a creditor and intended third party beneficiary of its Exclusive License Agreement with City of Hope, by failing to grant him 15% of the capital stock of the Company. After the action was removed to the United States District Court for the Central District of California, the Company filed a motion to dismiss the Complaint. During the pendency of that motion, the federal district court remanded the case back to state court. The Company has refiled its motion to dismiss in the state court.

The Company believes that Plaintiff's claims are without merit and intends to vigorously defend this lawsuit. Even in the event of an adverse determination, Fortress and the Company intend to satisfy any judgement from sources other than newly issued shares of the Company to prevent dilution.

# Item 9. Market Price of and Dividends on the Registrant's Common Equity and Related Stockholder Matters.

# Market information

There is no established public trading market in our common stock. Our securities are not listed for trading on any national securities exchange nor are bid or asked quotations reported in any over-the-counter quotation service.

# **Equity Compensation Plans**

We expect that in the future we will file a registration statement on Form S-8 under the Securities Act registering the common stock issued, issuable or reserved for issuance under our 2016 Plan. That registration statement will become effective immediately upon filing, and shares covered by that registration statement will thereupon be eligible for sale in the public markets, subject to grant of the underlying awards, vesting provisions and Rule 144 limitations applicable to our affiliates.

#### Holders

As of September 15, 2016, there were 10.25 million shares of capital stock outstanding, including vested warrants, which includes 1.0 million shares of Class A Common Stock outstanding, 250,000 shares of Class A Preferred Stock outstanding, and 9.0 million shares of common stock outstanding, which were held by two record stockholders.

# Dividends

We have never paid cash dividends on any of our capital stock and currently intend to retain our future earnings, if any, to fund the development and growth of our business.

# Stock Not Registered Under the Securities Act; Rule 144 Eligibility

Our common stock has not been registered under the Securities Act. Accordingly, the shares of common stock issued and outstanding may not be resold absent registration under the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws or an available exemption thereunder.

#### **Rule 144**

Shares of our common stock that are restricted securities will be eligible for resale in compliance with Rule 144 ("Rule 144") or Rule 701 ("Rule 701") of the Securities Act, subject to the requirements described below. "Restricted Securities," as defined under Rule 144, were issued and sold by us in reliance on exemptions from the registration requirements of the Securities Act. These shares may be sold in the public market only if registered or if they qualify for an exemption from registration, such as Rule 144 or Rule 701. Below is a summary of the requirements for sales of our common stock pursuant to Rule 144, as in effect on the date of this Form 10, after the effectiveness of this Form 10.

#### Affiliates

Affiliates will be able to sell their shares under Rule 144 beginning 90 days after the effectiveness of this Form 10, subject to all other requirements of Rule 144. In general, under Rule 144, an affiliate would be entitled to sell within any three-month period a number of shares that does not exceed one percent of the number of shares of our common stock then outstanding. Sales under Rule 144 are also subject to manner of sale provisions and notice requirements and to the availability of current public information about us.

Persons who may be deemed to be our affiliates generally include individuals or entities that control, or are controlled by, or are under common control with, us and may include our directors and officers, as well as our significant stockholders.

# Non-Affiliates

For a person who has not been deemed to have been one of our affiliates at any time during the 90 days preceding a sale, sales of our shares of common stock held longer than six months, but less than one year, will be subject only to the current public information requirement and can be sold under Rule 144 beginning 90 days after the effectiveness of this Form 10. A person who is not deemed to have been one of our affiliates at any time during the 90 days preceding a sale, and who has beneficially owned the shares proposed to be sold for at least one year, is entitled to sell the shares without complying with the manner of sale, public information, volume limitation or notice provisions of Rule 144 upon the effectiveness of this Form 10.

#### Rule 701

Rule 701 under the Securities Act, as in effect on the date of this Form 10, permits resale of shares in reliance upon Rule 144 but without compliance with certain restrictions of Rule 144, including the holding period requirement. Most of our employees, executive officers, directors or consultants who purchased shares under a written compensatory plan or contract may be entitled to rely on the resale provisions of Rule 701, but all holders of Rule 701 shares are required to wait until 90 days after the effective date of this Form 10 before selling their shares under Rule 701.

# Securities Authorized for Issuance under Equity Compensation Plans

Subject to adjustment as provided in the 2016 Plan, the aggregate number of shares of our common stock reserved and available for issuance pursuant to awards granted under the 2016 Plan is 2,000,000.

# Item 10. Recent Sales of Unregistered Securities.

Not applicable.

#### Item 11. Description of Registrant's Securities to be Registered.

The following description summarizes the material terms of Mustang capital stock as of the date of this registration statement. Because it is only a summary, it does not contain all the information that may be important to you. For a complete description of our capital stock, you should refer to our certificate of incorporation and our bylaws.

The authorized capital stock of Mustang consists of (i) 50,000,000 shares of Common Stock, of which 1,000,000 have been designated as Class A Common Stock and the remainder are undesignated Common Stock and (ii) 2,000,000 shares of Preferred Stock, of which 250,000 have been designated as Class A Preferred Stock and the remainder are undesignated preferred stock. Only our 49,000,000 shares of undesignated common stock are being registered hereby.

The description of our Class A Common Stock in this item is for information purposes only. All of the Class A Common Stock has been issued to City of Hope. Class A Common Stock is identical to common stock other than as to voting rights, the election of directors for a definite period, and conversion rights. On any matter presented to our stockholders for their action or consideration at any meeting of our stockholders (or by written consent of stockholders in lieu of meeting), each holder of outstanding shares of Class A Common Stock will be entitled to cast for each share of Class A Common Stock held by such holder as of the record date for determining stockholders entitled to vote on such matter, the number of votes that is equal to the number of shares of common stock into which the shares of Class A Common Stock are convertible into. Each share of Class A Common Stock is convertible, at the option of the holder, into one fully paid and nonassessable share of common stock, subject to certain adjustments. For a period of ten years from its issuance, the holders of the Class A Common Stock have the right to appoint one member of the board of directors of Mustang; to date, the holders of Class A Common Stock have not yet appointed such director.

The description of our undesignated Preferred Stock in this item is for information purposes only. The undesignated Preferred Stock may be issued from time to time in one or more series. Mustang Bio's Board of Directors is authorized to determine or alter the dividend rights, dividend rate, conversion rights, voting rights, rights and terms of redemption (including sinking fund provisions, if any), the redemption price or prices, the liquidation preferences and other designations, powers, preferences and relative, participating, optional or other special rights, if any, and the qualifications, limitations and restrictions granted to or imposed upon any wholly unissued series of Preferred Stock, and to fix the number of shares of any series of Preferred Stock (but not below the number of shares of any such series then outstanding).

The description of our Class A Preferred Stock in this item is for information purposes only. 250,000 shares of the Class A Preferred Stock have been issued to Fortress. Class A Preferred Stock is identical to common stock other than as to voting rights, conversion rights and the PIK Dividend right (as described below). On any matter presented to our stockholders for their action or consideration at any meeting of our stockholders (or by written consent of stockholders in lieu of meeting), each holder of outstanding shares of Class A Preferred Stock will be entitled to cast for each share of Class A Preferred Stock held by such holder as of the record date for determining stockholders entitled to vote on such matter, the number of votes that is equal to one and one-tenth (1.1) times a fraction, the numerator of which is the sum of (A) the shares of outstanding Common Stock and (B) the whole shares of Common Stock in to which the shares of outstanding Class A Common Stock and the Class A Preferred Stock are convertible and the denominator of which is the number of shares of outstanding Class A Preferred Stock. Thus, the Class A Preferred Stock will at all times constitute a voting majority. Each share of Class A Preferred Stock is convertible, at the option of the holder, into one fully paid and nonassessable share of common stock, subject to certain adjustments.

The holders of the outstanding shares of Class A Preferred Stock shall receive on each March 13 (each a "PIK Dividend Payment Date") after the original issuance date of the Class A Preferred Stock until the date all outstanding Class A Preferred Stock is converted into Common Stock or redeemed (and the purchase price is paid in full), pro rata per share dividends paid in additional fully paid and nonassessable shares of Common Stock (such dividend being herein called "PIK Dividends") such that the aggregate number of shares of Common Stock issued pursuant to such PIK Dividend is equal to two and one-half percent (2.5%) of the Corporation's fully-diluted outstanding capitalization on the date that is one (1) business day prior to any PIK Dividend Payment Date ("PIK Record Date"). In the event the Class A Preferred Stock converts into Common Stock, the holders shall receive all PIK Dividends accrued through the date of such conversion.

If Mustang Bio at any time effects a subdivision of the outstanding common stock (or other capital stock or securities at the time issuable upon conversion of the Class A Common Stock or Class A Preferred Stock) by any stock split, stock dividend, recapitalization or otherwise, the applicable Conversion Ratio in effect immediately before that subdivision will be proportionately decreased so that the number of shares of common stock (or other capital stock or securities at the time issuable upon conversion of the Class A Common Stock or Class A Preferred Stock) issuable on conversion of each share of Class A Common Stock or Class A Preferred Stock will be increased in proportion to such increase in the aggregate number of shares of common stock (or other capital stock or securities at the time issuable upon conversion of the Class A Common Stock or Class A Preferred Stock) outstanding. If Mustang Bio at any time combines the outstanding shares of common stock, the applicable Conversion Ratio in effect immediately before the combination will be proportionately increased so that the number of shares of common stock (or other capital stock or securities at the time issuable upon conversion of the Class A Common Stock or Class A Preferred Stock) issuable on conversion of each share of Class A Common Stock or Class A Preferred Stock will be decreased in proportion to such decrease in the aggregate number of shares of common stock (or other capital stock or securities at the time issuable upon conversion of the Class A Common Stock or Class A Preferred Stock) outstanding. Additionally, if any reorganization, recapitalization, reclassification, consolidation or merger involving Mustang Bio occurs in which the common stock (but not the Class A Common Stock or Class A Preferred Stock) is converted into or exchanged for securities, cash or other property (other than a transaction involving the subdivision or combination of the common stock), then, following any such reorganization, recapitalization, reclassification, consolidation or merger, each share of Class A Common Stock and Class A Preferred Stock becomes convertible into the kind and amount of securities, cash or other property which such Class A Common Stockholder or Class A Preferred Stockholder would have been entitled to receive had he or she converted the Class A Shares or Class A Preferred Shares immediately before said transaction. In such case, appropriate adjustment (as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors of Mustang Bio) will be made in the application of the provisions of Mustang Bio's Certificate of Incorporation, as amended, relating the subdivision or combination of the common stock with respect to the rights and interests thereafter of the holders of the Class A Common Stock and Class A Preferred Stock, such that the provisions set forth in of Mustang Bio's Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation relating to the subdivision or combination of the common stock (including the provisions with respect to changes in and other adjustments of the applicable Conversion Ratio) will thereafter be applicable, as nearly as reasonably may be, in relation to any securities or other property thereafter deliverable upon the conversion of the Class A Common Stock and Class A Preferred Stock.

# Other features of our capital stock include:

- Dividend Rights. The holders of outstanding shares of our capital stock, including Common Stock, Class A Common Stock and Class A Preferred Stock, are entitled to receive dividends out of funds legally available at the times and in the amounts that our board of directors may determine; provided, however, that no dividend or other distribution shall be paid, or declared and set apart for payment (other than dividends payable solely in capital stock on the capital stock of Mustang) on the shares of Common Stock until all PIK Dividends on the Class A Preferred Stock shall have been paid or declared and set apart for payment. All dividends are non-cumulative.
- · Voting Rights. The holders of our Common Stock are entitled to one vote for each share of Common Stock held on all matters submitted to a vote of the stockholders, including the election of directors, except as to the Class A Directors during the Class A Director Period. Our certificate of incorporation and bylaws do not provide for cumulative voting rights.
- · No Preemptive or Similar Rights. The holders of our Common Stock have no preemptive, conversion, or subscription rights, and there are no redemption or sinking fund provisions applicable to our Common Stock.

- · Right to Receive Liquidation Distributions. Upon our liquidation, dissolution, or winding-up, the assets legally available for distribution to our stockholders would be distributable ratably among the holders of our common stock, including Class A Common Stock, outstanding at that time after payment of other claims of creditors, if any.
- · Fully Paid and Non-Assessable. All of the outstanding shares of our capital stock, including Common Stock, Class A Common Stock and Class A Preferred Stock, are, and the shares of our Common Stock to be issued pursuant to this offering will be, duly issued, fully paid and non-assessable.

# Item 12. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.

We have adopted provisions in our certificate of incorporation that limit the liability of our directors for monetary damages for breach of their fiduciary duties, except for liability that cannot be eliminated under the Delaware General Corporation Law ("DGCL"). Delaware law provides that directors of a corporation will not be personally liable for monetary damages for breach of their fiduciary duties as directors, except liability for any of the following:

- · any breach of their duty of loyalty to the corporation or the stockholder;
- acts or omissions not in good faith or that involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law;
- · unlawful payments of dividends or unlawful stock repurchases or redemptions as provided in Section 174 of the DGCL; or
- · any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit.

This limitation of liability does not apply to liabilities arising under the federal securities laws and does not affect the availability of equitable remedies such as injunctive relief or rescission.

Our certificate of incorporation and our bylaws also provide that we will indemnify our directors and executive officers and may indemnify our other officers and employees and other agents to the fullest extent permitted by law. We believe that indemnification under our bylaws covers at least negligence and gross negligence on the part of indemnified parties. Our bylaws also permit us to secure insurance on behalf of any officer, director, employee or other agent for any liability arising out of his or her actions in this capacity, regardless of whether our bylaws would permit indemnification. We have secured such insurance.

We have entered into separate indemnification agreements with our directors and executive officers, in addition to indemnification provided for in our charter documents. These agreements, among other things, provide for indemnification of our directors and executive officers for expenses, judgments, fines and settlement amounts incurred by each of these persons in any action or proceeding arising out of his or her services as a director or executive officer or at our request. We believe that these provisions and agreements are necessary to attract and retain qualified persons as directors and executive officers.

# Item 13. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data.

The information required by this item may be found beginning on page F-1 of this Form 10.

# Item 14. Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure.

Not applicable.

# Item 15. Financial Statements and Exhibits

# (a) Financial Statements.

The following financial statements are filed as part of this registration statement:

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#### Exhibits. **(b)**

Exhibit No.	Description
3.1	Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Mustang Bio, Inc. (formerly Mustang Therapeutics, Inc.), dated July 26, 2016. *
3.2	Bylaws of Mustang Bio, Inc. *
4.1	Specimen certificates evidencing shares of common stock, Class A common stock and Class A preferred stock. *
4.2	Form of warrant agreement. *
10.1	Second Amended and Restated Founders Agreement between Fortress Biotech, Inc. and Mustang Bio, Inc., dated July 26, 2016. *
10.2	Management Services Agreement between Fortress Biotech, Inc. and Mustang Bio, Inc., dated March 13, 2015. *
10.3	Future Advance Promissory Note to Fortress Biotech, Inc., dated May 5, 2016.*
10.4	Promissory Note to NSC Biotech Venture Fund I, LLC, dated July 5, 2016.*
10.5	Common Stock Warrant issued by Mustang Bio, Inc. to NSC Biotech Venture Fund I, LLC, dated July 5, 2016. *
10.6	License Agreement by and between Mustang Bio, Inc. and City of Hope, dated March 17, 2015. #
10.7	Sponsored Research Agreement by and between Mustang Bio, Inc. and City of Hope, dated March 17, 2015. *
10.8	Mustang Bio, Inc. 2016 Incentive Plan. †*
10.9	Non-Employee Directors Compensation Plan. †*
10.10	Agreement with Chord Advisors, LLC, dated April 8, 2016. *

Confidential treatment has been requested with respect to omitted portions of this exhibit. Indicates management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement. Previously Filed.

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# MUSTANG BIO, INC. BALANCE SHEETS (\$ in thousands, except per share amounts)

	 ne 30, 2016 audited)	 December 31, 2015
ASSETS		
Current Assets:		
Total current assets	\$ -	\$ -
Total Assets	\$ -	\$ -
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' DEFICIT		
Current Liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 326	\$ 15
Accrued interest - related party	342	168
Accrued expenses - related party	625	375
Note payable - related party	4,872	3,571
Total current liabilities	6,165	4,129
Total Liabilities	6,165	4,129
Commitments and Contingencies		
Stockholders' Deficit		
Common Stock (\$0.0001 par value), 50,000,000 shares authorized		
Class A common shares, 1,000,000 shares issued and outstanding as of June 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015	-	-
Class B common shares, 7,250,000 and 7,000,000 shares issued and outstanding as of June 30, 2016 and		
December 31, 2015, respectively	1	1
Common shares, 2,000,000 shares issued and outstanding as of June 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015	-	-
Class B common shares issuable, 0 and 250,000 shares as of June 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015, respectively	-	190
Additional paid-in capital	336	146
Accumulated deficit	 (6,502)	 (4,466)
Total Stockholders' Deficit	(6,165)	 (4,129)
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Deficit	\$ -	\$ 

 $\label{thm:companying} \textit{The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements}.$ 

# MUSTANG BIO, INC. STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

# (Unaudited)

(\$ in thousands, except per share amounts)

	For the six months ended June 30, 2016			For the period from March 13, 2015 (inception) to June 30, 2015		
Operating expenses:						
Research and development	\$	1,149	\$	564		
Research and development – licenses acquired		-		2,147		
General and administrative		713		86		
Total operating expenses		1,862		2,797		
Loss from operations		(1,862)		(2,797)		
Interest expense - related party		174		42		
Net Loss	\$	(2,036)	\$	(2,839)		
Net loss per common share outstanding, basic and diluted	\$	(0.20)	\$	(0.28)		
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding, basic and diluted		10,151,099		9,981,818		

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

# MUSTANG BIO, INC. STATEMENT OF STOCKHOLDERS' DEFICIT (Unaudited) (\$ in thousands)

							C	lass B							
							Co	mmon				Additiona	ıl		Total
	Class A Con	mon Sl	hares	Class B Com	mon	Shares	5	Stock	Commo	n Shares		Paid-in		Accumulated	Stockholders'
	Shares	Am	ount	Shares	A	mount	Is	suable	Shares	Amoun	t	Capital		Deficit	Deficit
Balances at															
December 31, 2015	1,000,000	\$	-	7,000,000	\$	1	\$	190	2,000,000	\$	-	\$ 14	6	\$ (4,466)	\$ (4,129)
Issuance of common shares - Founders															
Agreement	-		-	250,000		-		(190)	-		-	19	0	-	_
Net loss	-		-	-		-		` <u>-</u>	-		-		-	(2,036)	(2,036)
Balances at June 30,															
2016	1,000,000	\$		7,250,000	\$	1	\$		2,000,000	\$		\$ 33	6	\$ (6,502)	\$ (6,165)

 $\label{thm:companying} \textit{ notes are an integral part of these financial statements}.$ 

# MUSTANG BIO, INC. STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

		he six months June 30, 2016	For the period from March 13, 2015 (inception) to June 30, 2015
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Net loss	\$	(2,036)	\$ (2,839)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities:			
Issuance of Class A common shares for license expenses		-	147
Research and development-licenses acquired, expensed		-	2,000
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:			
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		311	-
Accrued expenses - related party		250	125
Accrued interest - related party		174	42
Net cash (used in) operating activities		(1,301)	(525)
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Cash Flows from Investing Activities:			
Purchase of research and development licenses		-	(2,000)
Net cash used in investing activities		_	(2,000)
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Cash Flows from Financing Activities:			
Proceeds from Fortress Note		1.301	2,525
Net cash provided by financing activities		1,301	2.525
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Net change in cash		_	_
Cash, beginning of year		_	_
Cash, end of year	•		<u> </u>
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Supplemental disclosure of noncash investing and financing activities:			
Issuance of Class B Common Stock - Founders Agreement	S	190	\$ -
Issuance of Class D Confillon Stock - Founders Agreement	Ф	190	Φ -

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

# Note 1 — Organization, Plan of Business Operations and Going Concern Consideration

Mustang Bio, Inc. (the "Company" or "Mustang") was incorporated in Delaware on March 13, 2015, as a majority-owned subsidiary of Fortress Biotech, Inc. ("Fortress" or "Parent") and commenced its principal operations on March 13, 2015. Mustang was formed as clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on the acquisition, development and commercialization of novel cancer immunotherapy products designed to utilize the power of the patient's own immune system to eliminate cancer cells. The Company may acquire rights to these technologies by licensing the rights or otherwise acquiring an ownership interest in the technologies, funding their research and development and eventually either out-licensing or bringing the technologies to market.

# Chimeric Antigen Receptor (CAR) engineered T-cells (CAR-T) technology

In March 2015, Mustang entered into an exclusive license and sponsored research agreement with the City of Hope National Medical Center ("COH"), collectively referred to as ("COH Agreements"), to acquire CAR-T. CAR-T uses the patient's own T-cells to engage and destroy specific tumors. The process involves selecting specific T-cell subtypes, genetically engineering them to express chimeric antigen T cell receptors and placing them back in the patient where they recognize and destroy cancer cells. The exclusive license agreement covers the discovery, manufacturing and clinical development of novel CAR-T along with specified rights to any and all inventions.

# Going Concern Consideration

As of June 30, 2016 the Company's working capital deficit was approximately \$6.2 million and the Company's stockholders' deficit was approximately \$6.5 million. Further, the Company expects to continue to incur significant costs in pursuit of its financing and acquisition plans. These conditions raise substantial doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. The financial statements do not include any adjustments that might result from the outcome of this uncertainty.

The Company intends to fund its future operations through the sale of equity or debt securities. Management cannot be certain that funding will be available on acceptable terms, or at all. To the extent that the Company raises funds by issuing equity or debt securities, the Company's stockholders may experience significant dilution. Any debt financing, if available, may involve restrictive covenants that impact the Company's ability to conduct business. If the Company is not able to raise additional capital when required or on acceptable terms, the Company may have to (i) significantly delay, scale back or discontinue the development and/or commercialization of one or more product candidates; (ii) seek collaborators for product candidates at an earlier stage than otherwise would be desirable and on terms that are less favorable than might otherwise be available; (iii) relinquish or otherwise dispose of rights to technologies, product candidates or products that the Company would otherwise seek to develop.

The financial statements do not include any adjustments that might be necessary if the Company is unable to continue as a going concern.

#### Note 2 — Significant Accounting Policies

# Basis of Presentation

The Company's financial statements have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP"). The Company has no subsidiaries.

The interim unaudited financial statements as of June 30, 2016, for the six months ended June 30, 2016 and for the period from March 13, 2015 (inception) to June 30, 2015 have been prepared in accordance with GAAP for interim financial information on the same basis as the annual financial statements and in the opinion of management, reflect all adjustments, which include only normal recurring adjustments, necessary to present fairly the Company's financial position, results of operations and cash flows for the periods shown. The results of operations for such periods are not necessarily indicative of the results expected for a full year or for any future period. They do not include all of the information and footnotes required by GAAP for complete financial statements. Therefore, these financial statements should be read in conjunction with the Company's audited financial statements and notes thereto for the year ended December 31, 2015.

The financial statements may not be indicative of future performance and may not reflect what the Company's results of operations, financial position, and cash flows would have been had Mustang operated as an independent entity. Certain estimates, including allocations from Fortress, have been made to provide financial statements for standalone reporting purposes. All inter-company transactions between Fortress and Mustang are classified as due to related party in the financial statements. The Company believes that the assumptions underlying the financial statements are reasonable.

# Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

# Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Company considers all short-term investments with an original maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents. There were no cash and cash equivalents at June 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015.

# Research and Development Costs

Research and development costs are expensed as incurred. Advance payments for goods and services that will be used in future research and development activities are expensed when the activity has been performed or when the goods have been received rather than when the payment is made. Upfront and milestone payments due to third parties that perform research and development services on the Company's behalf will be expensed as services are rendered or when the milestone is achieved.

Research and development costs primarily consist of personnel related expenses, including salaries, benefits, travel, and other related expenses, stock-based compensation, payments made to third parties for license and milestone costs related to in-licensed products and technology, payments made to third party contract research organizations for preclinical and clinical studies, investigative sites for clinical trials, consultants, the cost of acquiring and manufacturing clinical trial materials, costs associated with regulatory filings, laboratory costs and other supplies.

Costs incurred in obtaining technology licenses are charged to research and development expense if the technology licensed has not reached commercial feasibility and has no alternative future use. The licenses purchased by the Company require substantial completion of research and development, regulatory and marketing approval efforts in order to reach commercial feasibility and has no alternative future use. Accordingly, the total purchase price for the licenses acquired is reflected as research and development – licenses acquired on the Company's Statement of Operations.

# Stock-Based Compensation Expenses

The Company expenses stock-based compensation to employees over the requisite service period based on the estimated grant-date fair value of the awards and forfeiture rates. For stock-based compensation awards to non-employees, the Company re-measures the fair value of the non-employee awards at each reporting period prior to vesting and finally at the vesting date of the award. Changes in the estimated fair value of these non-employee awards are recognized as stock-based compensation expense in the period of change.

# Annual Equity Fee

Under the Founder's Agreement, Fortress is entitled to an annual fee on each anniversary date equal to 2.5% of the fully diluted outstanding equity, payable in Mustang Class B Common Stock ("Annual Equity Fee"). The annual equity fee is part of consideration payable for formation of the Company and identification of certain assets.

The Company recorded the Annual Equity Fee in connection with the Founders Agreement with Mustang as contingent consideration. Contingent consideration is recorded when probable and reasonably estimable. The Company's future share prices cannot be estimated due to the nature of its assets and the Company's stage of development. Due to these uncertainties, the Company concluded that it could not reasonably estimate the contingent consideration until shares were actually issued on March 13, 2016. Because the issuance of shares on March 13, 2016 occurred prior to the issuance of the December 31, 2015 financial statements, the Company recorded approximately \$190,000 in research and development – licenses acquired during the year ended December 31, 2015.

# Income Taxes

For purposes of these financial statements, the Company's income tax expense and deferred tax balances have been recorded as if it filed tax returns on a stand-alone basis separate from Fortress.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are determined based on the difference between the financial statement and tax bases of assets and liabilities measured at the enacted tax rates in effect for the year in which these items are expected to reverse. Deferred tax assets are reduced by valuation allowances if, based on the consideration of all available evidence, it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred tax asset will not be realized.

# Net Loss per Share

Net loss per share is computed by dividing net loss by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Since dividends are declared, paid and set aside among the holders of shares of common stock and Class A Common Stock and Class B Common Stock pro-rata on an as-if-converted basis, the two-class method of computing net loss per share is not required. In the calculation of the diluted loss per share, since there were no options or warrants outstanding as well as the conversion of rights, the diluted loss per share equaled the basic loss per share during the period.

# Recently Issued Accounting Standards

In August 2016, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") No. 2016-15, Statement of Cash Flows - Classification of Certain Cash Receipts and Cash Payments, which addresses eight specific cash flow issues with the objective of reducing the existing diversity in practice in how certain cash receipts and cash payments are presented and classified in the statement of cash flows. The standard is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2017, including interim periods within those fiscal years. Early adoption is permitted, including adoption in an interim period. The Company is currently in the process of evaluating the impact of this new pronouncement on its condensed statements of cash flows.

In April 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-10, *Revenue from Contracts with Customer* ("ASU 2016-10"). The new guidance is an update to ASC 606 and provides clarity on: identifying performance obligations and licensing implementation. For public companies, ASU 2016-10 is effective for annual periods, including interim periods within those annual periods, beginning after December 15, 2016. The Company is currently evaluating the impact that ASU 2016-10 will have on its financial statements.

In March 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-09 *Compensation-Stock Compensation (Topic 718), Improvements to Employee Share-Based Payment Accounting* ("ASU 2016-09"). Under ASU 2016-09, companies will no longer record excess tax benefits and certain tax deficiencies in additional paid-in capital ("APIC"). Instead, they will record all excess tax benefits and tax deficiencies as income tax expense or benefit in the income statement and the APIC pools will be eliminated. In addition, ASU 2016-09 eliminates the requirement that excess tax benefits be realized before companies can recognize them. ASU 2016-09 also requires companies to present excess tax benefits as an operating activity on the statement of cash flows rather than as a financing activity. Furthermore, ASU 2016-09 will increase the amount an employer can withhold to cover income taxes on awards and still qualify for the exception to liability classification for shares used to satisfy the employer's statutory income tax withholding obligation will now be allowed to withhold shares with a fair value up to the amount of taxes owed using the maximum statutory income tax withholding obligation is a financing activity on the statement of cash flows. Under current GAAP, it was not specified how these cash flows should be classified. In addition, companies will now have to elect whether to account for forfeitures on share-based payments by (1) recognizing forfeitures of awards as they occur or (2) estimating the number of awards expected to be forfeited and adjusting the estimate when it is likely to change, as is currently required. The Amendments of this ASU are effective for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2016, with early adoption permitted but all of the guidance must be adopted in the same period. The Company is currently assessing the impact the adoption of ASU 2016-09 will have on its financial statements.

In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-02, Leases (Topic 842) ("ASU 2016-02") which supersedes FASB Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") Topic 840, Leases (Topic 840) and provides principles for the recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure of leases for both lessees and lessors. The new standard requires lessees to apply a dual approach, classifying leases as either finance or operating leases based on the principle of whether or not the lease is effectively a financed purchase by the lessee. This classification will determine whether lease expense is recognized based on an effective interest method or on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease, respectively. A lessee is also required to record a right-of-use asset and a lease liability for all leases with a term of greater than twelve months regardless of classification. Leases with a term of twelve months or less will be accounted for similar to existing guidance for operating leases. The standard is effective for annual and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2018, with early adoption permitted upon issuance. The Company is currently evaluating the method of adoption and the impact of adopting ASU 2016-02 on its financial statements. When adopted, the Company does not expect this guidance to have a material impact on its financial statements.

In January 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-01, Recognition and Measurement of Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities ("ASU 2016-01"). ASU 2016-01 requires equity investments to be measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognized in net income; simplifies the impairment assessment of equity investments without readily determinable fair values by requiring a qualitative assessment to identify impairment; eliminates the requirement for public business entities to disclose the method(s) and significant assumptions used to estimate the fair value that is required to be disclosed for financial instruments measured at amortized cost on the balance sheet; requires public business entities to use the exit price notion when measuring the fair value of financial instruments for disclosure purposes; requires an entity to present separately in other comprehensive income the portion of the total change in the fair value of a liability resulting from a change in the instrument-specific credit risk when the entity has elected to measure the liability at fair value in accordance with the fair value option for financial instruments; requires separate presentation of financial assets and financial liabilities by measurement category and form of financial assets on the balance sheet or the accompanying notes to the financial statements and clarifies that an entity should evaluate the need for a valuation allowance on a deferred tax asset related to available-for-sale securities in combination with the entity's other deferred tax assets. ASU 2016-01 is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2017, and interim periods within those fiscal years. The Company is currently evaluating the impact that ASU 2016-01 will have on its balance sheet or financial statement disclosures. When adopted, the Company does not expect this guidance to have a material impact on its financial statements.

#### Recently Adopted Accounting Pronouncements

In April 2015, the FASB issued ASU No. 2015-03, Simplifying the Presentation of Debt Issuance Costs ("ASU 2015-03"), which requires debt issuance costs to be presented in the balance sheet as a direct deduction from the carrying value of the associated debt liability, consistent with the presentation of a debt discount. ASU 2015-03 is effective for the interim and annual periods ending after December 15, 2015, with early adoption permitted. The Company adopted ASU 2015-03 on March 31, 2015. The adoption did not have an impact on the financial statements or related disclosures.

# Note 3 - COH Agreements

On March 17, 2015, the Company entered into an exclusive license agreement with COH to acquire intellectual property rights pertaining to CAR-T. Pursuant to the agreement, the Company paid COH an upfront fee of \$2.0 million, in April 2015 (included in *research and development-licenses acquired expenses* on the Statement of Operations), and granted 1,000,000 shares of Mustang's Class A Common Stock, representing 10% ownership of Mustang. Additional payments totaling \$2.0 million are due upon the completion of two financial milestones, and payments totaling \$14.5 million are due upon the completion of six development goals. Future mid-single digit royalty payments are due on net sales of licensed products, with a minimum annual royalty of \$1.0 million. The Company valued the stock grant to COH utilizing a discounted cash flow model to determine the weighted market value of invested capital, discounted by a lack of marketability of 44.8% and a weighted average cost of capital of 30%, resulting in a \$0.147 value per share or approximately \$147,000 and is included in *research and development-licenses acquired expenses* on the Statement of Operations.

In addition, the Company entered into a sponsored research agreement with the COH in which the Company will fund continued research in the amount of \$2.0 million per year, payable in four equal installments, over the next five years. For the six months ended June 30, 2016 and for the period from March 13, 2015 (inception) to June 30, 2015, the Company recorded \$1.0 million and \$0.5 million in research and development expenses on the Statements of Operations.

# Note 4 - Related Party Agreements

# Founders Agreement and Management Services Agreement with Fortress

Effective March 13, 2015, Fortress and the Company entered a Founders Agreement, which was amended and restated on May 17, 2016 and again on July 26, 2016 (the "Founders Agreement"). The Founders Agreement provides, that in exchange for the time and capital expended in the formation of the Company and the identification of specific assets the acquisition of which result in the formation of a viable emerging growth life science company, Fortress agreed to loan us the \$2.0 million representing the upfront fee required to acquire under our license agreement with COH. As additional consideration under the Founders Agreement, we shall also: (i) issue annually to Fortress, on the anniversary date of the Founders Agreement, shares of Class B Common Stock equal to equal to two and one-half percent (2.5%) of the fully-diluted outstanding equity of Mustang at the time of issuance; (ii) pay an equity fee in shares of common stock, payable within five (5) business days of the closing of any equity or debt financing for Mustang or any of its respective subsidiaries that occurs after the effective date of the Founders Agreement and ending on the date when Fortress no longer has majority voting control in Mustang's voting equity, equal to two and one-half percent (2.5%) of the gross amount of any such equity or debt financing; and (iii) pay a cash fee equal to four and one half percent (4.5%) of Mustang's annual net sales, payable on an annual basis, within ninety (90) days of the end of each calendar year. In the event of a Change in Control (as it is defined in the Founders Agreement), Mustang will pay a one-time change in control fee equal to five (5x) times the product of (i) monthly net sales for the twelve (12) months immediately preceding the change in control and (ii) four and one-half percent (4.5%). The Founder's Agreement has an initial term of 15 years and automatically renews for successive one-year terms unless terminated by Fortress or upon a Change in Control.

On March 13, 2016, the anniversary date of the Founders' Agreement, the Company issued 250,000 shares of its Class B Common Stock to Fortress representing 2.5% of the fully diluted outstanding shares of the Company.

Effective as of March 13, 2015, the Company entered into a Management Services Agreement (the "MSA") with Fortress. Pursuant to the terms of the MSA, for a period of five (5) years, Fortress will render advisory and consulting services to the Company. Services provided under the MSA may include, without limitation, (i) advice and assistance concerning any and all aspects of our operations, clinical trials, financial planning and strategic transactions and financings and (ii) conducting relations on behalf of our Company with accountants, attorneys, financial advisors and other professionals (collectively, the "Services"). The Company is obligated to utilize clinical research services, medical education, communication and marketing services and investor relations/public relation services of companies or individuals designated by Fortress, provided those services are offered at market prices. However, the Company is not obligated to take or act upon any advice rendered from Fortress and Fortress shall not be liable for any of our actions or inactions based upon their advice. Fortress and its affiliates, including all members of the Company's Board of Directors, have been contractually exempt from fiduciary duties to the Company relating to corporate opportunities. In consideration for the Services, the Company will pay Fortress an annual consulting fee of \$0.5 million (the "Annual Consulting Fee"), payable in advance in equal quarterly installments on the first business day of each calendar quarter in each year, provided, however, that such Annual Consulting Fee shall be increased to \$1.0 million for each calendar year in which the Company has net assets in excess of \$100 million at the beginning of the calendar year. For the six months ended June 30, 2016 and for the period from March 13, 2015 (inception) to June 30, 2015, the Company recorded \$0.3 million and \$0.1 million as expense related to this agreement.

#### Fortress Note

The Company and Fortress entered into an Intercompany Working Capital Promissory Note ("Fortress Note"), in which Fortress agreed to provide a working capital line of credit until the Company has a third party financing. The Fortress Note is due on demand and accrues interest of 8% per year, with interest due and principal due upon demand. This line of credit can be pre-paid at any time in cash or through Fortress' indebtedness to NSC Biotech Venture Fund I, LLC ("NSC Note") or other similar indebtedness.

In March 2015, Fortress closed the private placement of a promissory note for \$10 million (the "NSC Note"). Fortress used the proceeds from the NSC Note to acquire medical technologies and products. The NSC Note matures in 36 months, provided that during the first 24 months Fortress can extend the maturity date by six months. No principal amount will be due for the first 24 months (or the first 30 months if the maturity date is extended). Thereafter, the NSC Note will be repaid at the rate of 1/12 of the principal amount per month for a period of 12 months. Interest on the note is 8% payable quarterly during the first 24 months (or the first 30 months if the note is extended) and payable monthly during the last 12 months. National Securities Corporation ("NSC"), a wholly owned subsidiary of National Holdings, Inc., acted as the sole placement agent for the NSC Note.

The NSC Note was amended and restated on July 29, 2015, to provide that any time a Fortress subsidiary receives from Fortress any proceeds from the NSC Note, Fortress may, in its sole discretion, cause the Fortress company to issue to NSC Biotech Venture Fund I LLC a new promissory note (the "Amended NSC Note") on identical terms as the NSC Note (giving effect to the passage of time with respect to maturity). The Amended NSC Note will equal the dollar amount of the Fortress company's share of the NSC Note and reduce Fortress' obligations under the NSC Note by such amount. Fortress will guarantee the Amended NSC Note until the company either completes an initial public offering of its securities or raises sufficient equity capital so that it has cash equal to five times the Amended NSC Note.

If the Fortress company has an initial public offering or raises sufficient equity capital so that it has cash equal to five times the amount of the portion of the proceeds of the NSC Note transferred to it, then NSC will receive a warrant to purchase the company's stock equal to 25% of the amount of NSC Note proceeds the company receives from Fortress divided by the lowest price at which the company next sells common stock. The warrants issued will have a term of 10 years and an exercise price equal to the par value of the company's common stock.

At June 30, 2016, the Fortress Note was approximately \$4.9 million and was recorded as Note payable – related party on the balance sheet. In connection with the Fortress Note, the Company recognized approximately \$174,000 and \$42,000 in interest expense at 8% recorded in interest expense on the Statement of Operations for the six months ended June 30, 2016 and for the period from March 13, 2015 (inception) to June 30, 2015, respectively. As of June 30, 2016, no debt under the NSC Note was issued.

# Consulting Agreement with Chord Advisors, LLC ("Chord")

On April 8, 2016 the Company entered into a full service consulting agreement with Chord to provide advisory accounting services to the Company. Under the terms of the agreement, the Company will pay Chord up to \$5,000 per month to perform back office accounting functions, accounting analysis and financial reporting prior to a public filing and \$7,500 per month following a filing. Either party upon 30-days written notice can terminate the agreement. In addition to these services, Mr. Horin, a Managing Partner of Chord, will serve as the Company's Interim Chief Financial Officer. Chord also provides advisory accounting services to Fortress under a separate agreement. For the six months ended June 30, 2016, the Company recognized \$12,800 in expense on the Statement of Operations related to services provided by Chord prior to the Agreement being executed.

# Note 5 - Commitments and Contingencies

# Leases

The Company is not a party to any leases for office space or equipment.

# Litigation

On January 15, 2016, Dr. Winson Tang ("Plaintiff") filed a Complaint against the Company in the Superior Court of the State of California, County of Los Angeles. Winson Tang v. Lindsay Rosenwald et al, Case No. BC607346. In his complaint, Plaintiff alleged that the Company breached its obligations allegedly owed to Plaintiff as a creditor and intended third party beneficiary of its Exclusive License Agreement with COH, by failing to grant him 15% of the capital stock of the Company. After the action was removed to the United States District Court for the Central District of California, the Company filed a motion to dismiss the Complaint. During the pendency of that motion, the federal district court remanded the case back to state court. The Company has refiled its motion to dismiss in the state court.

As of June 30, 2016, the Company has not accrued any losses in connection with this litigation as the Company believes that Plaintiff's claims are without merit and intends to vigorously defend this lawsuit. Even in the event of an adverse determination, Fortress and the Company intend to satisfy any judgment from sources other than newly issued shares of the Company to prevent dilution.

# Note 6 - Stockholders' Deficit

# Common Stock

The Company, in accordance with its certificate of incorporation, as amended in July 2016, which was retroactively applied, is authorized to issue 50,000,000 common shares with a par value of \$0.0001 per share, of which 1,000,000 shares are designated as "Class A Common Stock" and 15,000,000 shares are designated as "Class B Common Stock"

In connection with the Company's formation, Fortress subscribed for 7,000,000 shares of the Class B Common Stock and 2,000,000 shares of the Company's Common Stock, pursuant to the Founders Agreement. Fortress will pay the par value of \$900 in 2016. The fair value of the Company's common shares approximated par value as no licenses had been transferred at that time. Dividends, if and when declared, are to be distributed pro-rata to the Class A, B and Common Stock holders.

The holders of Common Stock are entitled to one vote per share of Common Stock held. The holders of Class A Common Stock are entitled to the number of votes equal to the number of whole shares of Common Stock into which the shares of Class A Common Stock held by such holder are convertible and for a period of ten years from its issuance, the holders of the Class A Common Stock have the right to appoint one member of the board of directors of Mustang; to date, the holders of Class A Common Stock have not yet appointed such director.

The Class B Common Stockholders are entitled, for each share of Class B Common Stock held, to a number of votes equal to 1.1 times a fraction, the numerator of which is the sum of (A) the shares of outstanding Common Stock and (B) the whole shares of Common Stock into which the shares of outstanding Class A Common Stock and the Class B Common Stock are convertible and the denominator of which is the number of shares of outstanding Class B common shares.

Pursuant to the Founders Agreement, on March 13, 2016 the Company issued 250,000 shares of Class B Common Stock to Fortress, which equaled 2.5% of the fully-diluted outstanding equity of Mustang at the time of issuance for the annual equity fee (see Note 4).

# Note 7 - Subsequent Events

# NSC Note

On July 5, 2016, Fortress transferred \$3.6 million of the Company's indebtedness under the Fortress Note to its NSC Note as well as a contingently issuable warrant equal to 25% of the transferred indebtedness.

# Class A Preferred Shares

Pursuant to the Company's Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation, filed July 26, 2016, Class B Common Stock was eliminated and 2,000,000 shares are Preferred Stock were authorized, of which 250,000 have been designated as Class A Preferred Stock and the remainder are undesignated preferred stock. The Class A Preferred Stock is identical to undesignated Common Stock other than as to voting rights, conversion rights, and the PIK Dividend right (as described below). The undesignated Preferred Stock may be issued from time to time in one or more series. The Company's Board of Directors is authorized to determine or alter the dividend rights, dividend rate, conversion rights, voting rights, rights and terms of redemption (including sinking fund provisions, if any), the redemption price or prices, the liquidation preferences and other designations, powers, preferences and relative, participating, optional or other special rights, if any, and the qualifications, limitations and restrictions granted to or imposed upon any wholly unissued series of Preferred Stock, and to fix the number of shares of any series of Preferred Stock (but not below the number of shares of any such series then outstanding).

The holders of the outstanding shares of Class A Preferred Stock shall receive on each March 13 (each a "PIK Dividend Payment Date") after the original issuance date of the Class A Preferred Stock until the date all outstanding Class A Preferred Stock is converted into Common Stock or redeemed (and the purchase price is paid in full), pro rata per share dividends paid in additional fully paid and nonassessable shares of Common Stock (such dividend being herein called "PIK Dividends") such that the aggregate number of shares of Common Stock issued pursuant to such PIK Dividend is equal to two and one-half percent (2.5%) of the Corporation's fully-diluted outstanding capitalization on the date that is one (1) business day prior to any PIK Dividend Payment Date ("PIK Record Date"). In the event the Class A Preferred Stock converts into Common Stock, the holders shall receive all PIK Dividends accrued through the date of such conversion. No dividend or other distribution shall be paid, or declared and set apart for payment (other than dividends payable solely in capital stock on the capital stock of the Company) on the shares of Common Stock until all PIK Dividends on the Class A Preferred Stock shall have been paid or declared and set apart for payment. All dividends are non-cumulative.

On any matter presented to the stockholders of the Company for their action or consideration at any meeting of stockholders of the Company (or by written consent of stockholders in lieu of meeting), each holder of outstanding shares of Class A Preferred Stock shall be entitled to cast for each share of Class A Preferred Stock held by such holder as of the record date for determining stockholders entitled to vote on such matter, the number of votes that is equal to one and one-tenth (1.1) times a fraction, the numerator of which is the sum of (A) the number of shares of outstanding Common Stock and (B) the whole shares of Common Stock in to which the shares of outstanding Class A Common Stock and the Class A Preferred Stock are convertible, and the denominator of which is number of shares of outstanding Class A Preferred Stock (the "Class A Preferred Stock Ratio"). Thus, the Class A Preferred Stock will at all times constitute a voting majority.

Each share of Class A Preferred Stock is convertible, at the option of the holder, into one fully paid and nonassessable share of Common Stock (the "Conversion Ratio"), subject to certain adjustments. If the Company, at any time effects a subdivision or combination of the outstanding Common Stock (by any stock split, stock dividend, recapitalization, reverse stock split or otherwise), the applicable Conversion Ratio in effect immediately before that subdivision is proportionately decreased or increased, as applicable, so that the number of shares of Common Stock issuable on conversion of each share of Class A Preferred Stock shall be increased or decreased, a applicable, in proportion to such increase or decrease in the aggregate number of shares of Common Stock outstanding. Additionally, if any reorganization, recapitalization, consolidation or merger involving the Company occurs in which the Common Stock (but not the Class A Preferred Stock) is converted into or exchanged for securities, cash or other property, then each share of Class A Preferred Stock becomes convertible into the kind and amount of securities, cash or other property which a holder of the number of shares of Common Stock of the Company issuable upon conversion of one share of the Class A Preferred Stock immediately prior to such reorganization, recapitalization, reclassification, consolidation or merger would have been entitled to receive pursuant to such transaction.

# Founders' Agreement and Exchange Agreement

On July 26, 2016, the Company entered into a Second Amended and Restated Founders Agreement (2<sup>nd</sup> A&R Founders Agreement) with Fortress. The 2<sup>nd</sup> A&R Founders Agreement eliminated the Annual Equity Fee in connection with the original agreement and added a term of 15 years, which upon expiration automatically renews for successive one-year periods unless terminated by Fortress or a Change in Control occurs. Concurrently with the 2nd A&R Founders Agreement, the Company entered into an Exchange Agreement whereby it exchanged Fortress's 7.2 million Class B Common shares for 7.0 million common shares and 250,000 Class A Preferred shares.

# REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of **Mustang Bio, Inc.**New York, NY

We have audited the accompanying balance sheet of **Mustang Bio, Inc.** (the "Company") as of December 31, 2015, and the related statements of operations, stockholders' deficit, and cash flows for the period from March 13, 2015 (inception) through December 31, 2015. The Company's management is responsible for these financial statements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. Our audit included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of **Mustang Bio, Inc.** as of December 31, 2015, and the results of its operations and cash flows for the period from March 13, 2015 (inception) through December 31, 2015, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared assuming the Company will continue as a going concern. As discussed in Note 1 to the financial statements, the Company has incurred recurring losses from operations, and is dependent on additional financing to fund operations. These conditions raise substantial doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. Management's plans in regard to these matters are described in Note 1 to the financial statements. The financial statements do not include any adjustments to reflect the possible future effects on the recoverability and classification of assets or the amounts and classification of liabilities that may result from the outcome of this uncertainty.

/s/ Mayer Hoffman McCann P.C.

Orange County, California July 27, 2016

# MUSTANG BIO, INC. BALANCE SHEET (Audited)

# As of December 31, 2015

(\$ in thousands, except per share amounts)

# **Balance Sheet** As of December 31, 2015

ASSETS		
Current Assets:		
Total current assets	\$	-
Total Assets	<b>\$</b>	
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' DEFICIT		
Current Liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	15
Accrued interest - related party		168
Accrued expenses - related party		375
Note payable - related party		3,571
Total current liabilities		4,129
Total Liabilities		4,129
Commitments and Contingencies		
Stockholders' Deficit		
Common Stock (\$0.0001 par value), 50,000,000 shares authorized		
Class A common shares, 1,000,000 shares issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2015		-
Class B common shares, 7,000,000 shares issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2015		1
Common shares, 2,000,000 shares issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2015		-
Class B common shares issuable, 250,000 shares as of December 31, 2015		190
Additional paid-in capital		146
Accumulated deficit		(4,466)
Total Stockholders' Deficit		(4,129)
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Deficit	\$	-

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

# MUSTANG BIO, INC. STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS (Audited) For The Period from March 13, 2015 (Inception) through December 31, 2015 (\$ in thousands, except per share amounts)

Operating expenses:		
Research and development	\$	1,707
Research and development – licenses acquired		2,337
General and administrative		254
Total operating expenses		4,298
Loss from operations		(4,298)
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Interest expenses		168
Net Loss	<b>\$</b>	(4,466)
Net loss per common share outstanding, basic and diluted	s	(0.45)
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Weighted average number of common shares outstanding, basic and diluted		9,993,197
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## MUSTANG BIO, INC. STATEMENT OF STOCKHOLDERS' DEFICIT For The Period from March 13, 2015 (Inception) through December 31, 2015 (\$ in thousands)

	Class A Com	mon Shares	Class B Comi	mon Shares	Commor	1 Shares	Common Shares	Additional Paid-in	Accumulated	Total Stockholders'
	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount	Issuable	Capital	Deficit	Deficit
Issuance of Class B common shares to Fortress on March 13, 2015	_	\$ -	7,000,000	\$ 1	_	s -	s -	\$ (1)	<b>s</b> -	<b>s</b> -
Issuance of common shares to Fortress on March 13, 2015	_	_	-	· -	2,000,000	_		-	· -	_
Issuance of Class A common shares for license expenses	1,000,000	-	-	-	-	-	_	147	-	147
Common shares issuable - Founders Agreement	-	-	-	-	-	-	190	-	-	190
Net loss Balances at December 31, 2015	1,000,000	\$ -	7,000,000	\$ 1	2,000,000	<u> </u>	\$ 190	\$ 146	(4,466) \$ (4,466)	(4,466) \$ (4,129)

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

## MUSTANG BIO, INC. STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS For The Period from March 13, 2015 (Inception) through December 31, 2015 (\$ in thousands)

Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net loss	\$	(4,466)
Issuance of Class A common shares for license expenses		147
Common shares issuable for Founders Agreement		190
Research and development-licenses acquired, expensed		2,000
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities:		
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		15
Accrued interest - related party		168
Due to related party		375
Net cash used in operating activities		(1,571)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:		
Purchase of research and development licenses		(2,000)
Net cash used in investing activities		(2,000)
Cash Flows from Financing Activities:		
Proceeds from Fortress Note		3,571
Net cash provided by financing activities		3,571
Net change in cash		_
Cash, beginning of year		-
Cash, end of year		
	<u>\$</u>	
Supplemental disclosure of noncash investing and financing activities:		
Issuance of founder shares to Fortress on March 13, 2015	\$	1

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

#### Note 1 — Organization, Plan of Business Operations and Going Concern Consideration

Mustang Bio, Inc. (the "Company" or "Mustang") was incorporated in Delaware on March 13, 2015, as a majority-owned subsidiary of Fortress Biotech, Inc. ("Fortress" or "Parent") and commenced its principal operations on March 13, 2015. Mustang was formed as clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on the acquisition, development and commercialization of novel cancer immunotherapy products designed to utilize the power of the patient's own immune system to eliminate cancer cells. The Company may acquire rights to these technologies by licensing the rights or otherwise acquiring an ownership interest in the technologies, funding their research and development and eventually either out-licensing or bringing the technologies to market.

#### Chimeric Antigen Receptor (CAR) engineered T-cells (CAR-T) technology

In March 2015, Mustang entered into an exclusive license and sponsored research agreement with the City of Hope National Medical Center ("COH"), collectively referred to as ("COH Agreements"), to acquire Chimeric Antigen Receptor (CAR) engineered T cells (CAR-T) technology. CAR-T uses the patient's own T-cells to engage and destroy specific tumors. The process involves selecting specific T-cell subtypes, genetically engineering them to express chimeric antigen T cell receptors and placing them back in the patient where they recognize and destroy cancer cells. The exclusive license agreement covers the discovery, manufacturing and clinical development of novel CAR-T along with specified rights to any and all inventions.

#### Going Concern Consideration

As of December 31, 2015 the Company's working capital deficit was approximately \$4.1 million and the Company's stockholders' deficit was \$4.1 million. Further, the Company expects to continue to incur significant costs in pursuit of its financing and acquisition plans. These conditions raise substantial doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. The financial statements do not include any adjustments that might result from the outcome of this uncertainty.

The Company intends to fund its future operations through the sale of equity or debt securities. Management cannot be certain that funding will be available on acceptable terms, or at all. To the extent that the Company raises funds by issuing equity or debt securities, the Company's stockholders may experience significant dilution. Any debt financing, if available, may involve restrictive covenants that impact the Company's ability to conduct business. If the Company is not able to raise additional capital when required or on acceptable terms, the Company may have to (i) significantly delay, scale back or discontinue the development and/or commercialization of one or more product candidates; (ii) seek collaborators for product candidates at an earlier stage than otherwise would be desirable and on terms that are less favorable than might otherwise be available; (iii) relinquish or otherwise dispose of rights to technologies, product candidates or products that the Company would otherwise seek to develop.

The financial statements do not include any adjustments that might be necessary if the Company is unable to continue as a going concern.

#### Note 2 — Significant Accounting Policies

#### **Basis of Presentation**

The Company's financial statements have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP"). The Company has no subsidiaries.

The financial statements may not be indicative of future performance and may not reflect what the Company's results of operations, financial position, and cash flows would have been had Mustang operated as an independent entity. Certain estimates have been made to provide financial statements for stand-alone reporting purposes. All intercompany transactions between Fortress and Mustang are classified as due to related party in the financial statements. The Company believes that the assumptions underlying the financial statements are reasonable.

#### Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Company considers all short-term investments with an original maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents. There were no cash equivalents at December 31, 2015.

#### Stock-Based Compensation Expenses

The Company expenses stock-based compensation to employees over the requisite service period based on the estimated grant-date fair value of the awards and forfeiture rates. For stock-based compensation awards to non-employees, the Company re-measures the fair value of the non-employee awards at each reporting period prior to vesting and finally at the vesting date of the award. Changes in the estimated fair value of these non-employee awards are recognized as stock-based compensation expense in the period of change.

#### Fair Value Measurement

The Company follows the accounting guidance in ASC 820 for its fair value measurements of financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis. Under this accounting guidance, fair value is defined as an exit price, representing the amount that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. As such, fair value is a market-based measurement that should be determined based on assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or a liability.

The accounting guidance requires fair value measurements be classified and disclosed in one of the following three categories:

- Level 1: Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2: Observable inputs other than Level 1 prices, for similar assets or liabilities that are directly or indirectly observable in the marketplace.
- Level 3: Unobservable inputs which are supported by little or no market activity and that are financial instruments whose values are determined using pricing models, discounted cash flow methodologies, or similar techniques, as well as instruments for which the determination of fair value requires significant judgment or estimation.

The fair value hierarchy also requires an entity to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs when measuring fair value. Assets and liabilities measured at fair value are classified in their entirety based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

#### Research and Development Costs

Research and development costs are expensed as incurred. Advance payments for goods and services that will be used in future research and development activities are expensed when the activity has been performed or when the goods have been received rather than when the payment is made. Upfront and milestone payments due to third parties that perform research and development services on the Company's behalf will be expensed as services are rendered or when the milestone is achieved.

Research and development costs primarily consist of personnel related expenses, including salaries, benefits, travel, and other related expenses, stock-based compensation, payments made to third parties for license and milestone costs related to in-licensed products and technology, payments made to third party contract research organizations for preclinical and clinical studies, investigative sites for clinical trials, consultants, the cost of acquiring and manufacturing clinical trial materials, costs associated with regulatory filings, laboratory costs and other supplies.

Costs incurred in obtaining technology licenses are charged to research and development expense if the technology licensed has not reached commercial feasibility and has no alternative future use. The licenses purchased by the Company require substantial completion of research and development, regulatory and marketing approval efforts in order to reach commercial feasibility and has no alternative future use. Accordingly, the total purchase price (see Note 3) for the licenses acquired during the period was reflected as research and development – licenses acquired on the Company's Statement of Operations for the period ended December 31, 2015.

#### Annual Equity Fee

Under the Founder's Agreement, Fortress is entitled to an annual fee on each anniversary date equal to 2.5% of the fully diluted outstanding equity, payable in Mustang Class B Common shares ("Annual Equity Fee"). The annual equity fee is part of consideration payable for formation of the Company and identification of certain assets.

The Company recorded the Annual Equity Fee in connection with the Founders Agreement with Mustang as contingent consideration. Contingent consideration is recorded when probable and reasonably estimable. The Company's future share prices cannot be estimated due to the nature of its assets and the Company's stage of development. Due to these uncertainties, the Company concluded that it could not reasonably estimate the contingent consideration until shares were actually issued on March 13, 2016. Because the issuance of shares on March 13, 2016 occurred prior to the issuance of the December 31, 2015 financial statements, the Company recorded approximately \$190,000 in research and development – licenses acquired during the year ended December 31, 2015.

#### Income Taxes

For purposes of these financial statements, the Company's income tax expense and deferred tax balances have been recorded as if it filed tax returns on a stand-alone basis separate from Fortress.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are determined based on the difference between the financial statement and tax bases of assets and liabilities measured at the enacted tax rates in effect for the year in which these items are expected to reverse. Deferred tax assets are reduced by valuation allowances if, based on the consideration of all available evidence, it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred tax asset will not be realized.

#### Net Loss per Share

Net loss per share is computed by dividing net loss by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Since dividends are declared, paid and set aside among the holders of shares of common stock and Class A Common Stock and Class B Common Stock pro-rata on an as-if-converted basis, the two-class method of computing net loss per share is not required. In the calculation of the diluted loss per share, since there were no options or warrants outstanding as well as the conversion of rights, the diluted loss per share equaled the basic loss per share during the period.

#### Recently Issued Accounting Standards

In March 2016, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") No. 2016-09, Compensation – Stock Compensation (Topic 718): Improvements to Employee Share-Based Payment Accounting ("ASU 2016-09"). The amendment is to simplify several aspects of the accounting for share-based payment transactions including the income tax consequences, classification of awards as either equity or liabilities, and classification on the statement of cash flows. For public entities, the amendments in ASU 2016-09 are effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2016. The Company is currently assessing the impact of ASU 2016-09 on its financial statements and related disclosures.

In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-02, Leases (Topic 842) which supersedes FASB Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") Topic 840, Leases (Topic 840) and provides principles for the recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure of leases for both lessees and lessors. The new standard requires lessees to apply a dual approach, classifying leases as either finance or operating leases based on the principle of whether or not the lease is effectively a financed purchase by the lessee. This classification will determine whether lease expense is recognized based on an effective interest method or on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease, respectively. A lessee is also required to record a right-of-use asset and a lease liability for all leases with a term of greater than twelve months regardless of classification. Leases with a term of twelve months or less will be accounted for similar to existing guidance for operating leases. The standard is effective for annual and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2018, with early adoption permitted upon issuance. The Company is currently evaluating the method of adoption and the impact of adopting ASU 2016-02 on its financial statements. When adopted, the Company does not expect this guidance to have a material impact on its financial statements.

In January 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-01, Recognition and Measurement of Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities. ASU 2016-01 requires equity investments to be measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognized in net income; simplifies the impairment assessment of equity investments without readily determinable fair values by requiring a qualitative assessment to identify impairment; eliminates the requirement for public business entities to disclose the method(s) and significant assumptions used to estimate the fair value that is required to be disclosed for financial instruments measured at amortized cost on the balance sheet; requires public business entities to use the exit price notion when measuring the fair value of financial instruments for disclosure purposes; requires an entity to present separately in other comprehensive income the portion of the total change in the fair value of a liability resulting from a change in the instrument-specific credit risk when the entity has elected to measure the liability at fair value in accordance with the fair value option for financial instruments; requires separate presentation of financial assets and financial liabilities by measurement category and form of financial assets on the balance sheet or the accompanying notes to the financial statements and clarifies that an entity should evaluate the need for a valuation allowance on a deferred tax asset related to available-for-sale securities in combination with the entity's other deferred tax assets. ASU 2016-01 is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2017, and interim periods within those fiscal years. The Company is currently evaluating the impact that ASU 2016-01 will have on its balance sheet or financial statement disclosures. When adopted, the Company does not expect this guidance to have a material impact on its financial statements.

In November 2015, the FASB issued ASU No. 2015-17, *Balance Sheet Classification of Deferred Taxes* ("ASU 2015-17"). ASU 2015-17 requires that deferred tax liabilities and assets be classified as noncurrent in a classified statement of financial position. ASU 2015-17 is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2016, and interim periods within those fiscal years. The Company is currently evaluating the impact that ASU 2015-17 will have on its balance sheet or financial statement disclosures. When adopted, the Company does not expect this guidance to have a material impact on its financial statements.

In August 2014, the FASB issued ASU No. 2014-15, *Presentation of Financial Statements-Going Concern* ("ASU 2014-15"), which defines management's responsibility to assess an entity's ability to continue as a going concern, and to provide related footnote disclosures if there is substantial doubt about its ability to continue as a going concern. ASU 2014-15 is effective for annual reporting periods ending after December 15, 2016, with early adoption permitted. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of adopting ASU 2014-15 and its related disclosures. When adopted, the Company does not expect this guidance to have a material impact on its financial statements.

#### Recently Adopted Accounting Pronouncements

In April 2015, the FASB issued ASU No. 2015-03, Simplifying the Presentation of Debt Issuance Costs ("ASU 2015-03"), which requires debt issuance costs to be presented in the balance sheet as a direct deduction from the carrying value of the associated debt liability, consistent with the presentation of a debt discount. ASU 2015-03 is effective for the interim and annual periods ending after December 15, 2015, with early adoption permitted. The Company adopted ASU 2015-03 on March 31, 2015. The adoption did not have an impact on the financial statements or related disclosures.

#### Note 3 - COH Agreements

On March 17, 2015, the Company entered into an exclusive license agreement with COH to acquire intellectual property rights pertaining to CAR-T. Pursuant to the agreement, the Company paid COH an upfront fee of \$2.0 million, in April 2015 (included in *research and development-licenses acquired expenses* on the Statement of Operations), and granted 1,000,000 shares of Mustang's Class A Common Stock, representing 10% ownership of Mustang. Additional payments totaling \$2.0 million are due upon the completion of two financial milestones, and payments totaling \$14.5 million are due upon the completion of six development goals. Future mid-single digit royalty payments are due on net sales of licensed products, with a minimum annual royalty of \$1.0 million. The Company valued the stock grant to COH utilizing a discounted cash flow model to determine the weighted market value of invested capital, discounted by a lack of marketability of 44.8% and a weighted average cost of capital of 30%, resulting in a \$0.147 value per share or approximately \$147,000 and is included in *research and development-licenses acquired expenses* on the Statement of Operations.

In addition, the Company entered into a sponsored research agreement with the COH in which the Company will fund continued research in the amount of \$2.0 million per year, payable in four equal installments, over the next five years. As of December 31, 2015 the Company recorded an expense of \$1.5 million associated with this agreement, included in research and development expenses.

#### Note 4 - Related Party Agreements

#### Founders Agreement and Management Services Agreement with Fortress

Effective March 13, 2015, Fortress and the Company entered a Founders Agreement, which was amended and restated on May 17, 2016 and again on July 26, 2016 (the "Founders Agreement"). The Founders Agreement provides, that in exchange for the time and capital expended in the formation of the Company and the identification of specific assets the acquisition of which result in the formation of a viable emerging growth life science company, Fortress agreed to loan us the \$2.0 million representing the upfront fee required to acquire under our license agreement with COH. As additional consideration under the Founders Agreement, we shall also: (i) issue annually to Fortress, on the anniversary date of the Founders Agreement, shares of Class B Common Stock equal to equal to two and one-half percent (2.5%) of the fully-diluted outstanding equity of Mustang at the time of issuance; (ii) pay an equity fee in shares of common stock, payable within five (5) business days of the closing of any equity or debt financing for Mustang or any of its respective subsidiaries that occurs after the effective date of the Founders Agreement and ending on the date when Fortress no longer has majority voting control in Mustang's voting equity, equal to two and one-half percent (2.5%) of the gross amount of any such equity or debt financing; and (iii) pay a cash fee equal to four and one half percent (4.5%) of Mustang's annual net sales, payable on an annual basis, within ninety (90) days of the end of each calendar year. In the event of a Change in Control (as it is defined in the Founders Agreement), Mustang will pay a one-time change in control fee equal to five (5x) times the product of (i) monthly net sales for the twelve (12) months immediately preceding the change in control and (ii) four and one-half percent (4.5%).

Effective as of March 13, 2015, the Company entered into a Management Services Agreement (the "MSA") with Fortress. Pursuant to the terms of the MSA, for a period of five (5) years, Fortress will render advisory and consulting services to the Company. Services provided under the MSA may include, without limitation, (i) advice and assistance concerning any and all aspects of our operations, clinical trials, financial planning and strategic transactions and financings and (ii) conducting relations on behalf of our Company with accountants, attorneys, financial advisors and other professionals (collectively, the "Services"). The Company is obligated to utilize clinical research services, medical education, communication and marketing services and investor relations/public relation services of companies or individuals designated by Fortress, provided those services are offered at market prices. However, the Company is not obligated to take or act upon any advice rendered from Fortress and Fortress shall not be liable for any of our actions or inactions based upon their advice. Fortress and its affiliates, including all members of the Company's Board of Directors, have been contractually exempt from fiduciary duties to the Company relating to corporate opportunities. In consideration for the Services, the Company will pay Fortress an annual consulting fee of \$0.5 million (the "Annual Consulting Fee"), payable in advance in equal quarterly installments on the first business day of each calendar quarter in each year, provided, however, that such Annual Consulting Fee shall be increased to \$1.0 million for each calendar year in which the Company has net assets in excess of \$100 million at the beginning of the calendar year. For the period from March 13, 2015 (inception) through December 31, 2015, the Company recognized approximately \$0.4 million in expense on the Statement of Operations related to the MSA.

#### Fortress Note

The Company and Fortress entered into an Intercompany Working Capital Promissory Note ("Fortress Note"), in which Fortress agreed to provide a working capital line of credit until the Company has a third party financing. The Fortress Note is due on demand and accrues interest of 8% per year, with interest due and principal due upon demand. This line of credit can be pre-paid at any time in cash or through Fortress' indebtedness to NSC Biotech Venture Fund I, LLC ("NSC Note") or other similar indebtedness.

In March 2015, Fortress closed the private placement of a promissory note for \$10 million (the "NSC Note"). Fortress used the proceeds from the NSC Note to acquire medical technologies and products. The NSC Note matures in 36 months, provided that during the first 24 months Fortress can extend the maturity date by six months. No principal amount will be due for the first 24 months (or the first 30 months if the maturity date is extended). Thereafter, the NSC Note will be repaid at the rate of 1/12 of the principal amount per month for a period of 12 months. Interest on the note is 8% payable quarterly during the first 24 months (or the first 30 months if the note is extended) and payable monthly during the last 12 months. National Securities Corporation ("NSC"), a wholly owned subsidiary of National Holdings, Inc., acted as the sole placement agent for the NSC Note.

The NSC Note was amended and restated on July 29, 2015, to provide that any time a Fortress company receives from Fortress any proceeds from the NSC Note, Fortress may, in its sole discretion, cause the Fortress company to issue to NSC Biotech Venture Fund I LLC a new promissory note (the "Amended NSC Note") on identical terms as the NSC Note (giving effect to the passage of time with respect to maturity). The Amended NSC Note will equal the dollar amount of the Fortress company's share of the NSC Note and reduce Fortress' obligations under the NSC Note by such amount. Fortress will guarantee the Amended NSC Note until the company either completes an initial public offering of its securities or raises sufficient equity capital so that it has cash equal to five times the Amended NSC Note.

If the Fortress company has a an initial public offering or raises sufficient equity capital so that it has cash equal to five times the amount of the portion of the proceeds of the NSC Note transferred to it, then NSC will receive a warrant to purchase the company's stock equal to 25% of the amount of NSC Note proceeds the company receives from Fortress divided by the lowest price at which the company next sells common stock. The warrants issued will have a term of 10 years and an exercise price equal to the par value of the company's common stock.

For the period from March 13, 2015 (inception) through December 31, 2015, the Fortress Note was approximately \$3.6 million and was recorded as note payable – related party on the balance sheet. Also, in connection with the Fortress Note, the Company recognized approximately \$0.2 million in interest expense at 8% recorded in interest expense on the Statement of Operations. As of December 31, 2015, no debt under the NSC Note was issued.

#### Note 5 - Commitments and Contingencies

#### Leases

The Company is not a party to any leases for office space or equipment.

#### Litigation

On January 15, 2016, Dr. Winson Tang ("Plaintiff") filed a Complaint against the Company in the Superior Court of the State of California, County of Los Angeles. Winson Tang v. Lindsay Rosenwald et al, Case No. BC607346. In his complaint, Plaintiff alleged that the Company breached its obligations allegedly owed to Plaintiff as a creditor and intended third party beneficiary of its Exclusive License Agreement with COH, by failing to grant him 15% of the capital stock of the Company. After the action was removed to the United States District Court for the Central District of California, the Company filed a motion to dismiss the Complaint. During the pendency of that motion, the federal district court remanded the case back to state court. The Company has refiled its motion to dismiss in the state court.

As of December 31, 2015, the Company has not accrued any losses in connection with this litigation as the Company believes that Plaintiff's claims are without merit and intends to vigorously defend this lawsuit. Even in the event of an adverse determination, Fortress and the Company intend to satisfy any judgement from sources other than newly issued shares of the Company to prevent dilution.

#### Note 6 - Stockholders' Deficit

#### Common Stock

The Company is authorized to issue 50,000,000 common shares with a par value of \$0.0001 per share, of which 2,000,000 shares are designated as "Class A Common Stock" and 7,000,000 shares are designated as "Class B Common Stock." Dividends, if and when declared, are to be distributed pro-rata to the Class A Common Stock, Class B Common Stock and Common Stock and

COH the holder of the Class A Common Stock has the same voting rights as common stock also has for a period of ten years from date of issuance, the right to appoint one member of the board of directors of the Company. The holders of common stock are entitled to one vote per share of Common Stock held. The Class B Common Stockholders are entitled to a number of votes per share equal to 1.1 times a fraction the numerator of which is the sum of (A) the shares of outstanding common stock and (B) the whole shares of Common Stock into which the outstanding Class A Common Stock and Class B Common Stock are convertible and the denominator of which is the number of shares of outstanding Class B Common Stock. Upon consummation of a Qualified IPO or a Qualified Change in Control the then outstanding shares of Class A Common Stock shall be converted into shares of Common Stock; provided, however, if at that time, the Class A Common Stock is not then convertible into a number of shares of Common Stock with a value of (a) for Qualified IPO at least \$5 million based on initial offering price in such IPO or (b) for Qualified Change in Control at least \$5 million in cash or at least \$5 million of equity based on the implied value of a share of Common Stock resulting from the price paid upon consummation of such Qualified Change of Control, the Class A Common Stock will automatically convert into such number of shares of Common Stock that have a value of \$5 million based in the initial offering price in such IPO or the implied value of a share of Common Stock resulting from the price paid upon the consummation of such Qualified Change of Control (of if such Qualified Change of Control results in the Class A Shares being exchanged solely for cash, then \$5 million in cash).

In connection with the Company's formation, Fortress received 7,000,000 shares of the Class B Common Stock and 2,000,000 shares of the Company's Common Stock. Fortress will pay the par value of \$900 in 2016. The fair value of the Company's common shares approximated par value as no licenses had been transferred at that time.

In March 2015, the Company granted 1,000,000 shares of Class A Common Stock, representing 10% of Mustang, with additional milestones due to COH upon the achievement of certain development goals and royalty payments for sales of the product. The Company valued the stock grant to the COH utilizing a discounted cash flow model to determine the weighted market value of invested capital, discounted by a lack of marketability of 44.8% and a weighted average cost of capital of 30%, resulting in a \$0.147 value per share or approximately \$147,000 and was included in research and development-licenses acquired expenses on the Statement of Operations.

In connection with the Founders Agreement (see Note 4), the Company will issue 250,000 Class B Common shares to Fortress representing 2.5% of the fully diluted outstanding shares of Mustang, on the anniversary date of the agreement. On March 13, 2016, the fee became probable and estimable, therefore the Company recorded expense of approximately \$190,000 in research and development licenses-acquired related to this stock grant for the period from March 13, 2015 (inception) to December 31, 2015. The Company valued the stock granted to Fortress for the annual equity fee utilizing a probability weighted expected return model, utilizing a 25% discount rate and a weighted discounted lack of marketability assumption of approximately 41.9%, resulting in a value of \$0.76 value per share.

#### Note 7 - Income Taxes

For financial reporting purposes, the Company calculated income tax provision and deferred income tax balances as if it was a separate entity and had filed its own separate tax return under Sub-chapter C of the Internal Revenue Code.

A reconciliation of the statutory U.S. federal rate to the Company's effective tax rate is as follows:

	As of December 31, 2015
Statutory federal income tax rate	35%
State taxes, net of federal tax benefit	5%
Non-deductible items	(2)%
Credits	1%
Change in valuation allowance	(39)%
Income tax provision (benefit)	0.0%

The components of the net deferred tax asset as of December 31, 2015 are the following (in thousands):

	As of December 31, 2015
Deferred tax assets:	
Net operating loss carryovers	\$ 893
Amortization of license	815
Tax Credits	38
Total deferred tax assets	1,746
Valuation allowance	(1,746)
Deferred tax asset, net of allowance	<u> </u>

The Company has determined, based upon available evidence, that it is more likely than not that the net deferred tax asset will not be realized and, accordingly, has provided a full valuation allowance against it. A valuation allowance of approximately \$1.7 million was recorded for the period from March 13, 2015 (Inception) through December 31, 2015.

As of December 31, 2015, the Company had federal and state net operating loss carryforwards of approximately \$2.2 million and \$2.1 million, respectively. The federal and state net operating loss carryforwards will expire, if not utilized, by 2035 and 2025, respectively. Utilization of the net operating loss carryforward may be subject to an annual limitation due to the ownership change limitations provided by Section 382 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended and similar state provisions.

There are no significant matters determined to be unrecognized tax benefits taken or expected to be taken in a tax return, in accordance with 740 "Income Taxes" ("ASC 740"), which clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in income taxes recognized in the financial statements, that have been recorded on the Company's financial statements for the period ended December 31, 2015. The Company does not anticipate a material change to unrecognized tax benefits in the next twelve months.

Additionally, ASC 740 provides guidance on the recognition of interest and penalties related to income taxes. There were no interest or penalties related to income taxes that have been accrued or recognized as of and for the period ended December 31, 2015.

The federal and state tax returns for the period ended December 31, 2015 are currently open for examination under the applicable federal and state income tax statues of limitations.

#### Note 8 - Subsequent Event(s)

#### Fortress Grant

On March 13, 2016, in accordance with the Founder's Agreement, the Company granted Fortress 250,000 shares of Class B Common Stock. This grant represents 2.5% of the fully-diluted shares on the date of grant.

#### Consulting Agreement with Chord Advisors, LLC ("Chord")

On April 8, 2016 the Company entered into a full service consulting agreement with Chord to provide advisory accounting services to the Company. Under the terms of the agreement, the Company will pay Chord up to \$5,000 per month to perform back office accounting functions, accounting analysis and financial reporting prior to a public filing and \$7,500 per month following a filing. Either party upon 30-days written notice can terminate the agreement. In addition to these services, Mr. Horin, a Managing Partner of Chord, will serve as the Company's Interim Chief Financial Officer. Chord also provides advisory accounting services to Fortress under a separate agreement.

#### NSC Note

On July 5, 2016, Fortress transferred \$3.6 million of the Company's indebtedness under the Fortress Note to its NSC Note as well as a contingently issuable warrant equal to 25% of the transferred indebtedness.

#### Class A Preferred Shares

Pursuant to the Company's Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation, filed July 26, 2016, Class B Common Stock was eliminated and 2,000,000 shares are Preferred Stock were authorized, of which 250,000 have been designated as Class A Preferred Stock and the remainder are undesignated preferred stock. The Class A Preferred Stock is identical to undesignated Common Stock other than as to voting rights, conversion rights, and the PIK Dividend right (as described below). The undesignated Preferred Stock may be issued from time to time in one or more series. The Company's Board of Directors is authorized to determine or alter the dividend rights, dividend rate, conversion rights, voting rights, rights and terms of redemption (including sinking fund provisions, if any), the redemption price or prices, the liquidation preferences and other designations, powers, preferences and relative, participating, optional or other special rights, if any, and the qualifications, limitations and restrictions granted to or imposed upon any wholly unissued series of Preferred Stock, and to fix the number of shares of any series of Preferred Stock (but not below the number of shares of any such series then outstanding).

The holders of the outstanding shares of Class A Preferred Stock shall receive on each March 13 (each a "PIK Dividend Payment Date") after the original issuance date of the Class A Preferred Stock until the date all outstanding Class A Preferred Stock is converted into Common Stock or redeemed (and the purchase price is paid in full), pro rata per share dividends paid in additional fully paid and nonassessable shares of Common Stock (such dividend being herein called "PIK Dividends") such that the aggregate number of shares of Common Stock issued pursuant to such PIK Dividend is equal to two and one-half percent (2.5%) of the Corporation's fully-diluted outstanding capitalization on the date that is one (1) business day prior to any PIK Dividend Payment Date ("PIK Record Date"). In the event the Class A Preferred Stock converts into Common Stock, the holders shall receive all PIK Dividends accrued through the date of such conversion. No dividend or other distribution shall be paid, or declared and set apart for payment (other than dividends payable solely in capital stock on the capital stock of the Company) on the shares of Common Stock until all PIK Dividends on the Class A Preferred Stock shall have been paid or declared and set apart for payment. All dividends are non-cumulative.

On any matter presented to the stockholders of the Company for their action or consideration at any meeting of stockholders of the Company (or by written consent of stockholders in lieu of meeting), each holder of outstanding shares of Class A Preferred Stock shall be entitled to cast for each share of Class A Preferred Stock held by such holder as of the record date for determining stockholders entitled to vote on such matter, the number of votes that is equal to one and one-tenth (1.1) times a fraction, the numerator of which is the sum of (A) the number of shares of outstanding Common Stock and (B) the whole shares of Common Stock in to which the shares of outstanding Class A Common Stock and the Class A Preferred Stock are convertible, and the denominator of which is number of shares of outstanding Class A Preferred Stock (the "Class A Preferred Stock Ratio"). Thus, the Class A Preferred Stock will at all times constitute a voting majority.

Each share of Class A Preferred Stock is convertible, at the option of the holder, into one fully paid and nonassessable share of Common Stock (the "Conversion Ratio"), subject to certain adjustments. If the Company, at any time effects a subdivision or combination of the outstanding Common Stock (by any stock split, stock dividend, recapitalization, reverse stock split or otherwise), the applicable Conversion Ratio in effect immediately before that subdivision is proportionately decreased or increased, as applicable, so that the number of shares of Common Stock issuable on conversion of each share of Class A Preferred Stock shall be increased or decreased, a applicable, in proportion to such increase or decrease in the aggregate number of shares of Common Stock outstanding. Additionally, if any reorganization, recapitalization, reclassification, consolidation or merger involving the Company occurs in which the Common Stock (but not the Class A Preferred Stock) is converted into or exchanged for securities, cash or other property, then each share of Class A Preferred Stock becomes convertible into the kind and amount of securities, cash or other property which a holder of the number of shares of Common Stock of the Company issuable upon conversion of one share of the Class A Preferred Stock immediately prior to such reorganization, recapitalization, reclassification, consolidation or merger would have been entitled to receive pursuant to such transaction.

#### Founders' Agreement and Exchange Agreement

On July 26, 2016, we entered into a second Amended and Restated the Founders Agreement ("A&R Founders Agreement") with Fortress. The A&R Founders Agreement eliminated the Annual Equity Fee in connection with the original agreement and added a term of 15 years, which upon expiration automatically renews for successive one-year periods unless terminated by Fortress or a Change in Control occurs. Concurrently with the A&R Founders Agreement we entered into an Exchange Agreement whereby we exchanged Fortress' 7.2 million Class B common shares for 7.0 million common shares and 250,000 Class A Preferred shares.

#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

#### Mustang Bio, Inc.

By: /s/ Michael S. Weiss

Name: Michael S. Weiss

Title: Executive Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

October 7, 2016

#### POWER OF ATTORNEY

We, the undersigned directors and/or executive officers of Mustang Bio, Inc., hereby severally constitute and appoint Michael S. Weiss, acting singly, his or her true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for him or her in any and all capacities, to sign this registration statement and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorney-in-fact and agent full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing necessary or appropriate to be done in connection therewith, as fully for all intents and purposes as he or she might or could do in person, hereby approving, ratifying and confirming all that said attorney-in-fact and agent, or his substitute, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this registration statement has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ Michael S. Weiss Michael S. Weiss	Executive Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer	October 7, 2016
* David J. Horin	Interim Chief Financial Officer	October 7, 2016
* Lindsay A. Rosenwald, M.D.	Director	October 7, 2016
* Neil Herskowitz	Director	October 7, 2016
* /s/ Michael S. Weiss Attorney-in-fact		

## **Exhibit Index**

Exhibit No.	Description
10.6	License Agreement by and between Mustang Bio, Inc. and City of Hope, dated March 17, 2015.*
* Confidential trea	atment has been requested with respect to omitted portions of this exhibit.

### EXCLUSIVE LICENSE AGREEMENT

THIS EXCLUSIVE LICENSE AGREEMENT (the "Agreement") is made and entered into as of the 17th day of March, 2015 (the 'Effective Date") by and between Mustang Therapeutics, Inc., a Delaware corporation with a principal place of business at 3 Columbus Circle, New York, NY 10019 ("Licensee") and City of Hope, a California nonprofit public benefit corporation located at 1500 East Duarte Road. Duarte, California 91010 ("City of Hope" or "COH"). Licensee and COH are each sometimes referred to herein individually as a "Party" and collectively as the "Parties."

#### WHEREAS:

- A. COH operates an academic research and medical center that encourages the use of its inventions, discoveries and intellectual property for the benefit of the public and COH owns or Controls (as defined below) certain Patent Rights (as defined below) useful in the Field (as defined below);
- B. The inventions covered by the Patent Rights were invented by Dr. Stephen Forman who, as of the Effective Date, is affiliated with COH;
- C. The research was sponsored in part by the National Institute of Health, and as a consequence this license is subject to obligations to the United States Federal Government under 35 U.S.C. §§ 200-212 and applicable U.S. government regulations;
- D. Licensee is a company dedicated to the commercial development and exploitation in the Field (as defined below) of products and services that incorporate one or more of the technologies described in the Patent Rights and therefore Licensee desires to obtain from COH a worldwide, exclusive license under the Patent Rights, on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth herein;
- E. On even date herewith, the Parties have entered into the Research Agreement pursuant to Section of this Agreement; and 4.6
- F. The Certificate of Incorporation of Licensee is in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "Charter") and provides, among other things, for the rights and preferences of a class of stock, referred to therein as Class A Common Stock, to be issued to COH or its designee(s) in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein, and for other good and valuable consideration, the amount and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties hereby agree as follows:

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#### ARTICLE 1: DEFINITIONS

- 1.1 "Act" means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.
- 1.2 "Affiliate" of a Party means a Person that, directly or indirectly (through one or more intermediaries) controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with such Party. For purposes of this Section 1.2, "control" means (i) the direct or indirect ownership of 50 percent or more of the voting stock or other voting interests or interests in profits, or (ii) the ability to otherwise control or direct the decisions of board of directors or equivalent governing body thereof.
- 1.3 "Business Day" means any day, other than a Saturday, Sunday or day on which commercial banks located in Los Angeles, California, are authorized or required by law or regulation to close.
- 1.4 "Change of Control" means (i) any transaction or series of related transactions following which the holders of Licensee's capital stock immediately prior to such transaction or series of related transactions collectively are the owners of less than 50% of the outstanding equity interests of Licensee entitled to (a) vote with respect to the election of directors (or positions having a similar function) or (h) receive the proceeds upon any sale, liquidation or dissolution of Licensee, (ii) a sale, transfer, exclusive license or other disposition, in a single transaction or series of related transactions, of all or a material portion of Licensee's right title, or interest in its assets taken as a whole.
- 1.5 "Class A Common Stock" means Class A Common Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share, of Licensee, with such rights preferences and privileges as are set forth in the Charter.
- 1.6 "Commercially Reasonable Efforts" means the exercise of such efforts and commitment of such resources by Licensee, directly or through one or more Sublicensees, in a diligent manner consistent with organizations in the pharmaceutical industry for a comparable development or commercialization program at a similar stage of development or commercialization. In the event that Licensee or a Sublicensee with respect to a given Licensed Product or Licensed Service, has a program or product that competes with the programs contemplated by this Agreement with respect to such Licensed Product or Licensed Service, then "Commercially Reasonable Efforts" shall also mean efforts at least comparable to those efforts and resources expended by Licensee or its Sublicensee on the competing program and/or product or service.
- 1 . 7 "COH Shares" means the shares of Class A Common Stock to be issued to COH Stockholders in accordance with Section 4.3 and/or the terms of the Charter upon a Change of Control or Qualified Public Offering.
  - 1.8 "COH Confidential Information" means Confidential Information disclosed or provided by, or on behalf of, COH to Licensee or its designees.
- 1 . 9 "Completion" means, with respect to a particular clinical trial, the earlier of (i) the database lock or freeze related to the completion of treatment or examination of participants in such clinical trial or (ii) the dosing of the first patient in a clinical trial in a subsequent phase (e.g., with respect to a Phase 1 Clinical Trial, the Phase 1 Clinical Trial will be deemed completed in the event a patient is dosed in a Phase 2 Clinical Trial before a database lock in the related Phase 1 Clinical Trial).

- 1.10 "Common Stock" means Common Stock, par value \$.001 per share, of Licensee.
- 1.11 "Confidential Information" means: (i) all information and materials (of whatever kind and in whatever form or medium) disclosed by or on behalf of a Party to the other Party (or its designee) in connection with this Agreement, whether prior to or during the term of this Agreement and whether provided orally, electronically, visually or in writing; provided that all such information and materials initially disclosed in writing or electronically shall be clearly marked as "CONFIDENTIAL" and all such materials and information initially disclosed orally shall be reduced to writing and marked as "CONFIDENTIAL" within 10 days following the date of initial oral disclosure; (ii) all copies of the information and materials described in (i) above; and (iii) the existence and each of the terms and conditions of this Agreement; provided further that Confidential Information shall not include information and materials to the extent a Party can demonstrate through its contemporaneous written records that such information and materials are or have been:
- (a) known to the receiving Party, or in the public domain, at the time of its receipt by a Party, or which thereafter becomes part of the public domain other than by virtue of a breach of this Agreement or the obligations of confidentiality under this Agreement;
  - (b) received without an obligation of confidentiality from a Third Party having the right to disclose without restrictions such information;
  - (c) independently developed by the receiving Party without use of or reference to Confidential Information disclosed by the other Party; or
  - (d) released from the restrictions set forth in this Agreement by the express prior written consent of the disclosing Party.
- 1.12 "Control(s)" or "Controlled" means the possession by a Party, as of the Effective Date, of rights sufficient to effect the grant of rights set forth in this Agreement without violating the terms of any agreement with any Third Party.
- 1.13 "Covers" or "Covered by," means with reference to a particular Licensed Product or Licensed Service that the manufacture, use, sale, offering for sale, or importation of such Licensed Product or performance of such licensed Service would, but for ownership of, or a license granted under this Agreement to, the relevant Patent Right, infringe a Valid Claim in the country in which the activity occurs.
- 1 . 1 4 "Dispute" means any controversy, claim or legal proceeding arising out of or relating to this Agreement, or the interpretation, breach, termination, or invalidity thereof.
  - 1.15 "Field" means the treatment and diagnosis of all human diseases.

- 1.16 "First Commercial Sale" means, with respect to a particular Licensed Product or Licensed Service in a given country, the first arm's-length commercial sale of such Licensed Product or the first performance of such Licensed Service following Marketing Approval in such country by or under authority of Licensee or any Sublicensee to a Third Party who is not a Sublicensee.
- 1.17 "GAAP" means generally accepted accounting principles, consistently applied, as promulgated from time to time by the Financial Accounting Standards Board.
- 1.18 "License Year" means each calendar year during the term of this Agreement; except that the first License Year shall commence on the Effective Date and end on December 31 of the calendar year in which the Effective Date occurs.
- 1.19 "Licensed Product" means a product (including kits, component sets or components thereof, regardless of concentration or formulation) that: (i) is Covered by a Valid Claim. (ii) is manufactured by a process or used in a method Covered by a Valid Claim, or (iii) contains, as an active ingredient, any substance the manufacture, use, offer for sale or sale of which is Covered by a Valid Claim. By way of clarification, "Licensed Product" shall include a product manufactured in a country in which such manufacture is Covered by a Valid Claim and thereafter exported to and sold in a country in which no Valid Claim exists.
  - 1.20 "Licensed Service" means any service the performance of which would, but for the license granted herein, infringe a Valid Claim.
  - 1.21 "Licensee Confidential Information" means Confidential Information disclosed or provided by, or on behalf of, Licensee to COH or its designees.
- 1.22 "Marketing Approval" means all approvals, licenses, registrations or authorizations of any federal, state or local regulatory agency, department, bureau or other governmental entity, necessary for the manufacturing, use, storage, import, transport, marketing and sale of Licensed Products or performance of Licensed Services in a country or regulatory jurisdiction.
- 1.23 "Net Proceeds" means the net proceeds actually received by Licensee from all sales of shares of capital stock after deduction of all transaction expenses, finder's fees, advisory fees, legal fees, sales commissions or similar amounts paid to brokers or dealers and other costs and expenses incurred by Licensee or its subsidiaries in connection therewith. In the event such net proceeds are not paid to Licensee in cash, the value of such net proceeds will be the fair market value of the assets constituting such net proceeds.
- 1.24 "Net Sales" means the total gross amount invoiced by Licensee, its Affiliates and its Sublicensees (regardless of whether and when such invoices are actually paid) on the sale of Licensed Products and Licensed Services to Third Parties (including, without limitation, the provision of any product by Licensee, its Affiliates or any of its Sublicensee that incorporates a Licensed Product or Licensed Service but for clarity excluding documented sponsored research and/or development activities, valued at the actual direct cost of such activities on a fully burdened basis (including reasonable margin for overhead)), less the following items, as determined from the books and records of Licensee, its Affiliates or its Sublicensees:

- (a) insurance, handling and transportation charges actually invoiced;
- (b) amounts repaid, credited or allowed for rejection, return or recall;
- (c) sales or other excise taxes or other governmental charges levied on or measured by the invoiced amount (including, without limitation, value added taxes);
  - (d) brokerage, customs and import duties or charges; and
- (e) normal and customary trade and quantity discounts (including chargebacks and allowances) and rebates which relate to the Licensed Products or Licensed Services.

Sales of Licensed Products between or among Licensee, its Affiliates or its Sublicensees shall be excluded from the computation of Net Sales, except in those instances in which the purchaser is also the end-user of the Licensed Product sold. Further, transfers of reasonable quantities of Licensed Product by Licensee, any of its Affiliates or of its Sublicensee to a Third Party that is not a Sublicensee for use in the development of such Licensed Product (and not for resale) and transfers of industry standard quantities of Licensed Product for promotional purposes shall not be deemed a sale of such Licensed Product that gives rise to Net Sales for purposes of this Section 1.24.

- 1.25 "Patent Rights" means: (i) Patent Cooperation Treaty (PC 1) application PCT/ US2014/29109; (ii) PCT application PCT/ US2014/28961; (iii) U.S. Patent Application No. 62/053,068 (iv) patents, patent applications, continuation and divisional applications and foreign equivalents that claim the same invention(s) and priority date as the foregoing, (v) continuation-in-part applications that repeat a substantial portion of any of the foregoing applications, (vi) Letters Patent or the equivalent issued on any of the foregoing applications throughout the world, and (vii) amendments, extensions, renewals, reissues, and re-examinations of any of the foregoing. Notwithstanding the foregoing, "Patent Rights" shall only include any continuation-in-part application to the extent that claims in such continuation-in-part application are supported in the specification of the parent application, unless otherwise mutually agreed to in writing by the parties to this Agreement.
- 1 . 2 6 "Person" means any person or entity, including any individual, trustee, corporation, partnership, trust, unincorporated organization, limited liability company, business association, firm, joint venture or governmental agency or authority.
- 1.27 "Phase 1 Clinical Trial" means, as to a specific Licensed Product or Licensed Service, a study as described in 21 C.F.R. §312.21(a) or a comparable clinical study in a country other than the United States.
- 1 . 2 8 "Phase 2 Clinical Trial" means, as to a specific Licensed Product or Licensed Service, a study in humans designed with the principal purpose of determining initial efficacy and dosing of such Licensed Product in patients for the indication(s) being studied as described in 21 C.F.R. §312.21(b); or a similar clinical study in a country other than the United States.

- 1.29 "Phase 3 Clinical Trial" means, as to a specific Licensed Product or Licensed Service, a lawful study in humans of the efficacy and safety of such Licensed Product or Licensed Service, which is prospectively designed to demonstrate statistically whether such Licensed Product is effective and safe for use in a particular indication in a manner sufficient to file an application to obtain Marketing Approval to market and sell that Licensed Product or Licensed Service in the United States or another country for the indication being investigated by the study. as described in 21 C.F.R. § 312.21(c); or similar clinical study in a country other than the United States.
- 1.30 "Qualified Financing" means the sale of capital stock of Licensee, in one or more transactions, that constitute a bona fide equity financing at such time as the Net Proceeds to Licensee from third party investors that are not Affiliates of Licensee in such equity financing(s) are less than or equal to the Qualified Financing Protection Ceiling; provided that if capital stock of Licensee is sold in a single transaction or series of related transactions for different purchase prices and any of such shares of capital stock are included for purposes of determining the number of shares of Qualifying Stock to be issued to COH pursuant to Section 4.3, each share of capital stock that is sold for the lowest purchase price shall be deemed to be have sold first (regardless of the date on which such shares are actually sold) and the next number of shares of capital stock that are sold for the next highest purchase price shall be deemed to have sold next, et cetera, until the Net Proceeds from all such sales (applying all transaction expenses to the first shares issued (except to the extent that such expenses are calculated on a per share basis, such as sales commission, which shall be applied only to the shares included in such calculation) are equal to the Qualified Financing Protection Ceiling.
  - 1.31 "Qualified Financing Protection Ceiling" means \$\*.
- 1.32 "Qualified Public Offering" means the first public offering of the Common Stock of the Company to the general public that is effected pursuant to a registration statement filed with, and declared effective by, the United States Securities and Exchange Commission under the Act, as amended, hut, for purposes of clarity shall not include an offering effected pursuant to a registration statement on Form S-8 or any successor form.
- 1.33 "Qualifying Stock" means the sum of: (i) the shares of Class A Common Stock issued and to be issued to COH in accordance with Section 4.3, (ii) the number of shares of Common Stock (excluding (x) the shares referenced in the foregoing subclause (i) and (y) shares issued to employees, directors and consultants in their capacity as such) of Licensee outstanding, and (iii) the maximum number of shares of Common Stock of Licensee issuable (assuming the satisfaction of any conditions to exercisability, convertibility or exchangeability) upon the exercise, conversion or exchange of all evidences of indebtedness, shares or other securities directly or indirectly convertible into or exchangeable for Common Stock of the Licensee, including all rights, options or warrants to subscribe for, purchase or otherwise acquire shares of Common Stock of the Licensee but excluding options and rights granted to employees, directors and consultants in their capacity as such).

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- 1.34 "Research Agreement" has the meaning set forth in Section 4.6.
- 1.35 "Sublicensee" means any Affiliate of Licensee or Third Party which enters into an agreement with Licensee involving the grant to such Affiliate or Third Party of any rights under the licensee granted to Licensee pursuant to this Agreement.
- 1.36 "Sublicense Revenues" means all consideration, in whatever form, due from a Sublicensee in return for the grant of a sublicense of Licensee's rights hereunder, excluding consideration in the form of: (i) royalties received by Licensee and calculated wholly as a function of sales of Licensed Products or Licensed Services, (ii) payments or reimbursement for documented sponsored research and/or development activities, valued at the actual direct cost of such activities on a fully burdened basis (including reasonable margin for overhead), (iii) payment or reimbursement of reasonable patent expenses actually incurred or paid by Licensee and not otherwise reimbursed, or payment of patent expenses required to by paid by Licensee hereunder, (iv) payments for the purchase of equity in Licensee at the fair market value of such equity, and (v) payments recognized as Net Sales under this Agreement for which a royalty is payable to COH. By way of clarification, the principal amount of any loan or other extension of credit provided to Licensee or an Affiliate of Licensee in connection with the grant of a sublicense by Licensee that is other than an arm's-length credit relationship shall be deemed to constitute "Sublicense Revenues."
  - 1.37 "Territory" means the entire world.
  - 1.38 "Third Party" means a Person that is neither a Party to this Agreement nor an Affiliate of a Party.
- 1.39 "Valid Claim" means a claim of a pending patent application or an issued and unexpired patent included in the Patent Rights in a particular jurisdiction, which claim has not, in such jurisdiction been finally rejected or been declared invalid or cancelled by the patent office or a court of competent jurisdiction in a decision that is no longer subject to appeal as a matter of right.

#### ARTICLE 2: DEVELOPMENT AND COMMERCIALIZATION EFFORTS

- 2 . 1 <u>Development and Commercialization Responsibilities.</u> Licensee shall have the sole right and responsibility for, and control over, all development, manufacturing and commercialization activities (including all regulatory activities) with respect to Licensed Products and Licensed Services in the Field.
- Licensee Diligence. Licensee shall use Commercially Reasonable Efforts to develop and commercialize Licensed Products and Licensed Services in the Field, directly or through one or more Sublicensees. Without limiting the foregoing, if Licensee, directly or through one or Sublicensees, fails to accomplish any one of the "Diligence Milestones" set forth in this Section 2.2 by the date specified (each a"Deadline Date") corresponding to such Diligence Milestone, COH shall have the right, on notice to Licensee, to terminate this Agreement.

1. * from the Effective Date	Licensee to receive not less than \$* through any combination of: (i) Net Proceeds from the sale of any equity securities (or securities convertible into or exercisable for equity securities) and (ii) unrestricted grants or gifts.
2. * from the Effective Date	Licensee to initiate first Phase I Clinical Trial for the first Licensed Product or Licensed Service (with COH listed as principal institution for the clinical trial.) Licensee may extend this Deadline Date for up to * (*) additional * (*) month periods upon payment of \$* to COH, for each month* (*) period.
3. * from the Effective Date	Licensee to initiate the first Phase II Clinical Trial for the first Licensed Product or Licensed Service (with COH listed as principal institution for the clinical trial.) Licensee may extend this Deadline Date for up to * (*) additional * (*) month periods upon payment of \$* to COH, for each * month (*) period. If, however, this Diligence Milestone is not achieved after these * (*) extensions through no fault of Licensee, this Diligence Milestone will be additionally extended for as long as the Research Agreement is in effect.

"Diligence Milestone"

Governance. COH and Licensee shall each designate one individual to serve as the main point of contact for communications related to development and commercialization of Licensed Products and Licensed Services under this Agreement (each a "Designated Representative"). The initial Designated Representative of COH shall be George Megaw and the initial Designated Representative of Licensee shall be Michael S. Weiss. Each Party may replace its Designated Representative at any time upon prior notice to the other Party. Licensee shall keep COH reasonably informed as to progress in the development and commercialization of Licensed Products and Licensed Services. Without limiting the foregoing, on or before January 15 and July 15 of each year during the term of this Agreement, Licensee shall provide to COH a written report setting forth, in reasonable detail, its activities and achievements with respect to the development and commercialization of Licensed Products and Licensed Services during the preceding six months (the "Semi-Annual Report"). The Designated Representatives shall meet in person twice each calendar year to present and discuss the current Semi-Annual Report at such location and date as mutually agreed. Each Party shall be responsible for all expenses incurred by its Designated Representative in the participation in such annual meetings.

"Deadline Date"

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#### ARTICLE 3: LICENSE GRANTS

- 3.1 Grant of Rights. COH hereby grants to Licensee an exclusive royalty-bearing right and license under the Patent Rights to make, have made, use, offer for sale, sell and import Licensed Products and to perform Licensed Services, in the Field, in the Territory. The foregoing grant of rights shall be subject to: (i) the retained rights of the U.S. Government in the Patent Rights pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §§ 200-212 and applicable U.S. government regulations, (ii) the royalty-free right of COH and its Affiliates to practice the Patent Rights for educational and research uses, (iii) the right of COH and its Affiliates to publicly disclose research results including, to the extent applicable, as specified in the Research Agreement, and (iv) the right of COH and its Affiliates to allow other non-profit institutions to use the Patent Rights for the same purposes as (ii) and (iii).
- 3.2 No Implied Licenses. Licensee acknowledges that the licenses granted in this Agreement are limited to the scope expressly granted and that, subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, all other rights under all Patent Rights and other intellectual property rights Controlled by COH are expressly reserved to COH.
- 3 . 3 <u>Sublicensing.</u> Licensee shall have the right to sublicense its rights hereunder without the consent of COH, effective on notice to COH. The terms and conditions of each sublicense of Licensee's rights hereunder shall be consistent with this Agreement. A true and complete copy of each sublicense of Licensee's rights hereunder, as well as any amendment thereto, shall be delivered to COH promptly following the effective date of each sublicense or amendment.

#### 3.4 Effect of Termination on Sublicenses.

- (a) In the event that this Agreement terminates at any time for any reason, each sublicense validly granted hereunder which is in good standing as of the effective date of such termination shall continue in effect as a direct license between COH (as licensor) and Sublicensee (as licensee), provided that: (i) such sublicense, as determined by COH in its reasonable and good faith discretion, contains or imposes on COH no material obligation or liability additional to those set forth in this Agreement, (ii) the Sublicensee delivers to COH, within 30 days of the effective date of the termination of this Agreement, written acknowledgement that all payment and other obligations previously payable to Licensee under such sublicense shall thereafter be payable and due, and be paid directly to COH, and (iii) such Sublicensee (including its employees and contractors) is not at such time debarred or excluded or otherwise ineligible for participation in federally funded programs. All other sublicenses in existence as of the effective date of the termination of this Agreement which fail to satisfy the foregoing conditions shall, upon such termination, terminate.
- (b) Further and in addition to the requirements of Section 3.4(a), above, the conversion of a sublicense into a direct license between COH (as licensor) and Sublicensee (as licensee) upon termination of this Agreement shall require that either [A] or [B] (but not both), below, be satisfied:

- [A] On the effective date of the termination of this Agreement:
- (i) the Sublicensee is not a party to a proceeding in bankruptcy or insolvency filed by or against such Sublicensee, has not made a general assignment for the benefit of its creditors, and is not in litigation with COH or any Affiliate of COH <u>and</u>
- (ii) (1) the effective royalty rate payable on Sublicensee's Net Sales of Licensed Products and Licensed Services, (2) the aggregate of other non-sale/royalty-based consideration due from Sublicensee, and (3) the other material terms and conditions of the sublicense are materially no less favorable to COH than the corresponding terms (excluding the stock grant due pursuant to Section 4.3, below) of this Agreement, or
- [B] the terms and conditions of the sublicense had been approved by COH prior to its having been entered into by Licensee and the Sublicensee, such approval having been considered by COH expeditiously and not conditioned on the payment by Licensee of any additional consideration.
- 3.5 <u>Documentation of Licensed Services.</u> Licensee and its Sublicensees shall provide Licensed Services only pursuant to one or more written agreements which set forth, in reasonable detail, all consideration due to Licensee for the provision of such services. Licensee shall provide a true and complete copy of each such agreement to COH promptly following the effective date of such agreement.

### ARTICLE 4: PAYMENTS

- 4.1 **Up-Front Payment.** Licensee shall pay to COH a one-time non-refundable license fee of \$2 million within \* days after the Effective Date.
- 4.2 <u>License Maintenance Fee.</u> On or before the tenth Business Day after the end of each License Year (excluding the first license Year ending December 3l, 2015), Licensee shall pay to COH a non-refundable license maintenance fee of \$\*. The license maintenance fee paid in a given License Year shall be applied as credit against royalties otherwise due to COH pursuant to Section 4.8, below, during the License Year in which payment was made but may not be carried over and applied as credit against royalties due in subsequent years.

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#### 4.3 Stock Grant.

- (a) Concurrently with the execution of this Agreement, Licensee will issue to COH stock certificates evidencing 1,000,000 validly issued, fully-paid, non-assessable shares of Class A Common Stock. At the closing of each Qualified Financing that occurs prior to the achievement of the Qualified Financing Protection Ceiling, Licensee will issue to COH and such reasonable number of designees as COH may specify (provided that each such designee has: (i) demonstrated to the reasonable satisfaction of Licensee that it is an "accredited investor" as such term is defined in Regulation D promulgated under the Securities Act of 1933 (the "Act"), (ii) represented to Licensee that it is acquiring the shares for investment purposes only, and (iii) acknowledged that the shares to be received are restricted securities under the Act (COH and its designees collectively, the "COH Stockholders")), stock certificates evidencing a number of shares of validly issued, fully-paid, non-assessable shares of Class A Common Stock that is determined such that upon the completion of such issuance, COH and its designees will hold 10% of the total number of shares of Qualifying Stock, calculated as of immediately after the closing of such Qualified Financing (the "Measurement Date"). Promptly after the applicable Measurement Date, Licensee will deliver to the COH Stockholders (i) certificates representing the shares of Class A Common Stock to be issued in accordance with the foregoing, and (ii) a certificate, executed on behalf of Licensee by an executive officer of Licensee, showing Licensee's calculation of the number of shares of Qualifying Stock as of the Measurement Date, the sales price of each share of capital stock issued in the Qualified Financings, and the gross proceeds and Net Proceeds of the Qualified Financings and Licensee's calculation of the shares of Class A Common Stock to be issued to the COH Stockholders. Such shares of Class A Common Stock will be issued in consideration for the benefits provided to Licensee under the Agr
- (c) COH and the other COH Stockholders acknowledge and agree that the COH Shares will be restricted securities and will not be registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission or qualified with any state securities authority and that, accordingly, the COH Shares may not be distributed, sold or otherwise transferred except pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Act or pursuant to an available exemption from the registration requirements of the Act.
- 4.4 First Public Offering Fee. At the closing of the first Qualified Public Offering of stock of Licensee, Licensee shall pay COH a one-time non-refundable fee of \$\*.
  - 4.5 Sale of NewCo Business. Upon any Change in Control of Licensee, Licensee shall pay COH a non-refundable fee of \$\*.
- 4 . 6 Research Funding. Simultaneous with the execution of this Agreement, Licensee shall enter into the separate research agreement with COH ('Research Agreement") set forth on Exhibit C. Pursuant to the Research Agreement, Licensee shall provide COI research funds of \$2 million each year for five (5) years, totaling \$10 million in research funds ("Research Funds"). Such Research Funds shall be payable in equal payments of \$500,000 on a quarterly basis, with the first quarterly payment being due and payable thirty (30) days after the Effective Date and thereafter on the next quarterly due date (January 1, April 1, July 1 or October 1).

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4 . 7 <u>Milestone Payments.</u> Within \* after the occurrence of each "Milestone Event" set forth below, Licensee shall pay COH or its designee the amount indicated below for each distinct chimeric antigen receptor within the scope of the Patent Rights:

Milestone Event	Amount Due
#1. Upon the * #2 Upon the *	<b>\$*</b>
#2 Upon the *	\$*
#3 Upon *	<b>\$*</b>
#4 Upon *	<b>\$*</b>
#4 Upon * #5 Upon *	<b>\$*</b>
#6 Upon *	<b>\$</b> *

in the event that any \* is received prior to the \*, then Licensee shall also pay the amount due for occurrence of Milestone Event #3 upon receiving such \* (e.g., if \*si received prior to the \*, Licensor shall pay COH \$\*).

#### 4.8 Royalties.

- (a) Subject to Subsection (b). below, Licensee shall pay to COH or its designee royalties in an amount equal to (i) \* percent of Net Sales of Licensed Products up to and including \$\*; (ii) \* percent of Net Sales of Licensed Products that exceed \$\*. Royalties shall be paid on a Licensed Product-by-Licensed Product and country-by-country basis until the expiration in each country of the last to expire of the Valid Claims in such country Covering Licensed Product.
- (b) Subject to Subsection (c), below, Licensee shall pay to COH or its designee royalties in an amount equal to (i) \* percent of Net Sales of Licensed Services up to and including \$\*; (ii) \* percent of Net Sales of Licensed Services greater than \$\* up to and including \$\*; and (iii) \* percent of Net Sales of Licensed Services that exceed \$\*. Royalties shall be paid on a Licensed Service-by-Licensed Service and country-by-country basis until the expiration in each country of the last to expire of the Valid Claims in such country Covering Licensed Service.
- (c) Beginning in the calendar year of Marketing Approval in any jurisdiction of the first Licensed Product or Licensed Service by Licensee or Sublicensces and if the total earned royalties paid by Licensee under Sections 4.8(a) and (h) in any such year cumulatively amounts to less than \$1 million for that calendar year ("Minimum Annual Royalty"), Licensee shall pay to COH on or before February 28 following the last quarter of such year the difference between the \$1 millionminimum royalty noted above and the total earned royalty paid by Licensee for such year under Sections 4.8(a) and (b), provided, however, that for the first year of commercial sales of the first Licensed Product or Licensed Services, the amount of minimum annual royalty payable shall be pro-rated for the number of months remaining in that calendar year.

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- Royalty Offsets. If, in Licensee's reasonable business judgment it is necessary to pay to a Third Party other than a Sublicensee consideration (whether in the form of a royalty or otherwise) for the right to make, have made, use, sell, offer for sale or import a Licensed Product or Licensed Service in a given jurisdiction, and if the aggregate royalty rates of any and all royalties payable to such Third Party licensors when combined with the royalty rate payable to COH exceeds \* percent in the case of Net Sales of Licensed Products or Licensed Services, then Licensee shall have the right with respect to any period for which royalties are due (i.e. a calendar quarter or calendar year) to set off \* percent of the aggregate royalties otherwise payable with respect to such period and such jurisdiction to such Third Party licensors against royalties that would otherwise be due to COH hereunder with respect to such period and jurisdiction; provided. however, that each Third Party licensor agrees to be stacked proportionally; and provided further, however, that under no circumstances shall the royalty offsets permitted in this Section 4.9 result in the reduction of the effective adjusted royalty amount otherwise due to COH in any period for which payment is due and in any jurisdiction pursuant to Section 4.8, above, by more than \* percent (e.g., minimum effective adjusted royalty rate for Licensed Product or Licensed Services sales up to \$\* shall be \* percent).
- 4.10 <u>Sublicense Revenues.</u> Licensee shall pay to COH a percentage of all Sublicense Revenues within \* after payment is received from the relevant Sublicensee, determined as follows:
  - (a) \* percent of Sublicense Revenues if the Sublicense is granted prior to the \*,
  - (b) \* percent of all Sublicense Revenues if the Sublicense is granted prior to the \*,
  - (c) \* percent of all Sublicense Revenues if the Sublicense is granted prior to the \*, and
  - (d) \* percent of all Sublicense Revenues if the Sublicense is granted after \*.

If Sublicense Revenues are not in cash or cash equivalents, the percentage share payable to COH pursuant to this Section 4.10 shall be due, in COH's sole discretion, either in kind or in its cash equivalent.

4.11 <u>Timing of Royalty Payments.</u> Royalty payments due under Section 4.8, above, shall be paid annually within \*following the end of each License Year until the first License Year in which aggregate Net Sales reach \$\*. Thereafter, all royalty payments due under Section 4.8 shall be paid in quarterly installments, within \* following the end of each calendar quarter.

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- 4.12 <u>No Deductions from Payments.</u> Licensee is solely responsible for payment of any fee, royalty or other payment due to any Third Party not a Sublicensee in connection with the research, development, manufacture, distribution, use, sale, import or export of a Licensed Product or Licensed Service and, except as set forth in Section 4.9, above, Licensee shall not have the right to set off any amounts paid to such a Third Party, including fee, royalty or other payment, against any amount payable to COH hereunder.
- 4.13 <u>Single Royalty.</u> Only a single royalty payment shall be due and payable on Net Sales of a Licensed Product or performance of a Licensed Service, regardless if such Licensed Product or Licensed Service is Covered by more than one Valid Claim.

#### ARTICLE 5: REPORTS, AUDITS AND FINANCIAL TERMS

Royalty Reports. Within \* after the end of each calendar quarter in which a royalty payment under Article 4 is required to be made. Licensee shall send to COH a report of Net Sales of the Licensed Products and Licensed Services for which a royalty is due, which report sets forth for such calendar quarter the following information, on a Licensed Product-by-Licensed Product, Licensed Service-by-Licensed Service and country-by-country basis: (i) total Net Sales, (ii) total gross sales of Licensed Products and Licensed Services, (iii) the quantity of each Licensed Products sold and Licensed Services performed, (iv) the exchange rate used to convert Net Sales from the currency in which they are earned to United States dollars; and (v) the total royalty payments due.

#### 5.2 Additional Financial Terms.

- 5.2.1 <u>Currency.</u> All payments to be made under this Agreement shall be made in United States dollars, unless expressly specified to the contrary herein. Net Sales outside of the United States shall be first determined in the currency in which they are earned and shall then be converted into an amount in United States dollars. All currency conversions shall use the conversion rate reported by Reuters, Ltd. on the last Business Day of the calendar quarter for which such payment is being determined.
- 5.2.2 **Payment Method.** Amounts due under this Agreement shall be paid in immediately available funds, by means of wire transfer to an account identified by COH.
- 5.2.3 Withholding of Taxes. Licensee may withhold from payments due to COH amounts for payment of any withholding tax that is required by law to be paid to any taxing authority with respect to such payments. Licensee shall provide to COH all relevant documents and correspondence, and shall also provide to COH any other cooperation or assistance on a reasonable basis as may be necessary to enable COH to claim exemption from such withholding taxes and to receive a full refund of such withholding tax or claim a foreign tax credit. Licensee shall give COH proper evidence from time to time as to the payment of such tax. The Parties shall cooperate with each other in seeking deductions under federal and state tax laws and any double taxation or other similar treaty or agreement from time to time in force.

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- 5.2.4 Late Payments. Any amounts not paid on or before the date due under this Agreement are subject to interest from the date due through and including the date upon which payment is received. Interest is calculated, over the period between the date due and the date paid, at a rate equal to \* percentage point (\* %) over the "bank prime loan" rate, as such rate is published in the U.S. Federal Reserve Bulletin H.15 or successor thereto on the last Business Day of the applicable calendar quarter prior to the date on which such payment is due.
- 5.2.5 <u>Blocked Currency.</u> If, at any time, legal restrictions prevent the prompt remittance of part or all royalties with respect to any country where a Licensed Product is sold or Licensed Service provided, payment shall be made through such lawful means or methods as Licensee may determine. When in any country, the law or regulations prohibit both the transmittal and deposit of royalties or other payments, Licensee shall continue to report all such amounts, but may suspend payment for as long as such prohibition is in effect. As soon as such prohibition ceases to be in effect, all amounts that would have been obligated to be transmitted or deposited but for the prohibition, together with accrued interested thereon, shall promptly be transmitted to COH.

#### 5.3 Accounts and Audit.

- 5.3.1 Records. Licensee shall keep, and shall require that each Sublicensee keep, full, true and accurate books of account containing the particulars of its Net Sales and the calculation of royalties. Licensee and its Sublicensees shall each keep such books of account and the supporting data and other records at its principal place of business. Such books and records must be maintained available for examination in accordance with this Section 5.3.1 for \* after the end of the calendar year to which they pertain, and otherwise as reasonably required to comply with GAAP.
- 5.3.2 Appointment of Auditor. COH may appoint an internationally recognized independent accounting firm reasonably acceptable to Licensee to inspect the relevant books of account of Licensee and its Sublicensees to verify any reports or statements provided, or amounts paid or invoiced (as appropriate), by Licensee or its Sublicensees.
- 5.3.3 Procedures for Audit. COH may exercise its right to have Licensee's and its Sublicensees' relevant records examined only during the \* period during which Licensee is required to maintain records, no more than once in any consecutive four calendar quarters. Licensee and its Sublicensees are required to make records available for inspection only during regular business hours, only at such place or places where such records are customarily kept, and only upon receipt of at least \* advance notice from COH.
- 5.3.4 <u>Audit Report.</u> The independent accountant will be instructed to provide to COH an audit report containing only its conclusions and methodology regarding the audit, and specifying whether the amounts paid were correct and, if incorrect, the amount of any underpayment or overpayment.

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5.3.5 <u>Underpayment and Overpayment.</u> After review of the auditor's report: (i) if there is an uncontested underpayment by Licensee for all of the periods covered by such auditor's report, then Licensee shall pay to COH the full amount of that uncontested underpayment, and (ii) if there is an uncontested overpayment for such periods, then COH shall provide to Licensee a credit against future payments (such credit equal to the full amount of that overpayment), or, if Licensee is not obligated to make any future payments, then COH shall pay to licensee the full amount of that overpayment. Contested amounts are subject to dispute resolution under Article 12. If the total amount of any such underpayment (as agreed to by Licensee or as determined under Article 12) exceeds \* percent of the amount previously paid by Licensee for the period subject to audit, then Licensee shall pay the reasonable costs for the audit. Otherwise, all costs of the audit shall be paid by COH.

#### ARTICLE 6: LICENSEE COVENANTS

#### 6.1 Licensee covenants and agrees that:

- During the period commencing on the Effective Date and ending on the third (3rd) anniversary of the Effective Date, both Dr. Lindsay A. Rosenwald and Michael S. Weiss will hold senior management positions of Licensee; provided, that, in the event of a Change of Control of Licensee, subsequent to such Change of Control, in the event that either Dr. Lindsay A. Rosenwald or Michael S. Weiss no longer holds a senior management position of Licensee both individuals must remain materially involved with the oversight and management of the development of Licensed Products during such period; provided further that in the event of the death of either of Dr. Rosenwald or Mr. Weiss, the Company will be excused from observing this section with regard to the decedent;
- (b) the Charter and any amendment thereto will provide the holders of Class A Shares with the right to nominate one individual to the board of directors of Licensee for a period of ten years after the formation of Licensee;
- (c) in conducting activities contemplated under this Agreement, it shall comply in all material respects with all applicable laws and regulations including, without limitation, those related to the manufacture, use, labeling importation and marketing of Licensed Products and Licensed Services; and
- (d) Licensee will obtain all authorizations necessary for the issuance of the COH Shares after the date hereof and the Common Stock issuable to COH upon conversion of the COH Shares issuable pursuant to this Agreement and/or the Charter after the date hereof prior to the issuance of such COFI Shares and in any event prior to the issuance of any Qualifying Stock or the consummation of a Change of Control and covenants that all such shares will be validly issued, fully paid and non-assignable and free of restrictions on transfer, other than restrictions on transfer under state and federal securities laws.

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#### ARTICLE 7: INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY; PATENT PROSECUTION, MAINTENANCE AND ENFORCEMENT.

#### 7.1 Patent Prosecution, Maintenance and Enforcement.

- (a) COH shall be responsible for the preparation, filing, prosecution, and maintenance of all Patent Rights, using counsel of its choice. COH will timely provide Licensee with copies of all relevant documentation relating to such prosecution and Licensee shall keep such information confidential. In addition, COH shall instruct the patent counsel prosecuting Patent Rights to (i) copy Licensee on patent prosecution documents that are received from or filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office and foreign equivalent, as applicable; (ii) if requested by Licensee, provide Licensee with copies of draft submissions to the USPTO prior to filing: and (iii) give reasonable consideration to the comments and requests of Licensee or its patent counsel, provided that (a) COH reserves the sole right to make all final decisions with respect to the preparation, tiling, prosecution and maintenance of such patent applications and patents; and (b) the patent counsel remains counsel to COH (and shall not jointly represent Licensee unless requested by Licensee and approved by COH, and an appropriate engagement letter and conflict waiver are in effect). All patents and patent applications in Patent Rights, to the extent assignable in whole or in part to COH, shall be assigned to COH.
- (b) COH will not unreasonably refuse to amend any patent application in Patent Rights to include claims reasonably requested by Licensee to protect the products contemplated to be sold by Licensee under this Agreement. If Licensee informs COH of other countries or jurisdictions in which it wishes to obtain patent protection with respect to the Patent Rights, COH shall prepare, file, prosecute and maintain patent applications in such counties and any patents resulting therefrom (and, for the avoidance of doubt, such patent applications and patents shall be deemed included in the Patent Rights). On a country-by-country and patent-by-patent basis, Licensee may elect to surrender any patent or patent application in Patent Rights in any country upon \* (\*) \* advance written notice to COH. Such notice shall relieve Licensee from the obligation to pay for future patent costs but shall not relieve Licensee from responsibility to pay patent costs incurred prior to the expiration of the \* (\*) \* notice period. Such U.S. or foreign patent application or patent shall thereupon cease to be a Patent Right hereunder, Licensee shall have no further rights therein and COH shall be free to license its rights to that particular U.S. or foreign patent application or patent to any other party on any terms.
- (c) Each Party shall promptly provide written notice to the other in the event it becomes aware of any actual or probable infringement of any of the Patent Rights in or relevant to the Field or of any Third Party claim regarding the enforceability or validity of any Patent Rights ("Infringement Notice"). Licensee shall, in cooperation with COH, use reasonable efforts to terminate infringement without litigation.

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- (d) If infringing activity has not been abated within \* (\*) days following the date the Infringement Notice takes effect, then Licensee may, following consultation with COH, in its sole discretion and at its sole expense, take action against any alleged infringer or in defense of such any claim, provided, that Licensee has exclusive rights under this Agreement. Any recovery obtained by Licensee as the result of legal proceedings initiated and paid for by Licensee pursuant to this subsection (d), after deduction of Licensee's reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred in securing such recovery, shall be deemed to be Net Sales of Licensed Products and/or Licensed Services in the calendar quarter in which such recovery was received and royalties shall be due and payable thereon accordingly.
- (e) If COH is involuntarily joined in a suit initiated by Licensee, then the Licensee will pay any costs incurred by COH arising out of such suit, including but not limited to, reasonable legal fees of counsel that COH selects and retains to represent it in the suit.
- (f) In the event that Licensee declines either to cause such infringement to cease (e.g., by settlement or injunction) or to initiate and thereafter diligently maintain legal proceedings against the infringer other than as part of a mutually agreed upon bona fide strategy, developed with the guidance of outside patent counsel, to preserve the Patent Rights, COH may, in its sole discretion and at its sole expense, take action against such alleged infringer or in defense of any such Third Party claim. Any recovery obtained by COH as the result of any such legal proceedings shall be for the benefit of COH only.
- 7.2 Trademarks. Licensee shall be responsible for the selection, registration, maintenance, and defense of all trademarks for use in connection with the sale or marketing of Licensed Products and Licensed Services in the Field in the Territory (the "Marks"), as well as all expenses associated therewith. All uses of the Marks by Licensee or a Sublicensee shall comply in all material respects with all applicable laws and regulations (including those laws and regulations particularly applying to the proper use and designation of trademarks in the applicable countries). Licensee shall not, without COH's prior written consent, use any trademarks or house marks of COH (including the COH corporate name), or marks confusingly similar thereto, in connection with Licensee commercialization of Licensed Products or Licensed Services under this Agreement in any promotional materials or applications or in any manner implying an endorsement by COH of Licensee or the Licensed Products or Licensed Services. Licensee shall own all Marks.

#### 7.3 Challenge to the Patent Rights by Licensee.

COH may terminate this Agreement and, notwithstanding Section 3.3, above, all Sublicenses issued hereunder, upon written notice to Licensee in the event that Licensee or any of its Affiliates or Sublicensees directly or indirectly asserts a Patent Challenge. "Patent Challenge" means any challenge in a legal or administrative proceeding to the patentability, validity or enforceability of any of the Patent Rights (or any claim thereof), including by: (a) filing or pursuing a declaratory judgment action in which any of the Patent Rights is alleged to be invalid or unenforceable; (h) citing prior art against any of the Patent Rights, filing a request for or pursuing a re-examination of any of the Patent Rights (other than with COH's written agreement), or becoming a party to or pursuing an interference; or (c) Mina or pursuing any re-examination, opposition. cancellation, nullity or other like proceedings against any of the Patent Rights; but excluding any challenge raised as a defense against a claim, action or proceeding asserted by COH against Licensee, its Affiliates or Sublicensees. In lieu of exercising its rights to terminate tinder this Section 7.3(a) COH may elect upon written notice to increase the payments due under all of Section 4 by \* percent (\*%), which election will be effective retroactively to the date of the commencement of the Patent Challenge. Licensee acknowledges and agrees that this Section 7.3(a) is reasonable, valid and necessary for the adequate protection of COH's interest in and to the Patent Rights, and that would not have granted to Licensee the licensee under those Patent Rights, without this Section.

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- (b) <u>Payment of COH Patent Expenses.</u> The Parties acknowledge that, prior to the Effective Date, COH provided to Licensee documentation of historic expenses incurred by COH with respect to the drafting, prosecution and maintenance of the Patent Rights. In consideration of such historic expenditures by COH, Licensee shall reimburse COH for such expenses within \* of the Effective Date.
- (c) After the Effective Date. COH shall provide to Licensee an annual invoice and reasonably detailed documentation with respect to COH's out-of-pocket expenses incurred with respect to such prosecution and maintenance for the previous year. Licensee shall reimburse COH for \* percent of such expenses within \* after receipt of such invoice and documentation.
- 7.4 Marking. Licensee and its Sublicensees shall mark all Licensed Products and all materials related to Licensed Services in such a matter as to conform with the patent laws of the country to which such Licensed Products are shipped or in which such products are sold and such Licensed Services performed.

#### ARTICLE 8: TERM AND TERMINATION

8.1 Term and Expiration of Term. The term of this Agreement (the "Term") shall commence on the Effective Date and, notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, unless sooner terminated by mutual agreement or pursuant to any other provision of this Agreement, this Agreement shall expire on a country-by-country basis and on a Patent Right-by-Patent Right basis on the later to occur of: (a) the expiration of the last to expire of any of the Patent Rights in such country (or if no patent issues, until the last patent application in Patent Rights is abandoned), and (b) the date on which the last of the remaining obligations under this Agreement between the Parties with respect to the payment of milestones or royalties with respect to Licensed Products and Licensed Services have been satisfied (such expiry of the Term hereinafter referred to as "Expiration").

#### 8.2 <u>Termination.</u>

8.2.1 <u>Material Breach.</u> Either Party may terminate this Agreement prior to its Expiration for any material breach by the other Party, <u>provided</u>, that, the Party seeking to terminate shall have first given the breaching Party notice of such material breach with reasonable particulars of the material breach, and the Party receiving the notice of the material breach shall have failed to cure that material breach within \* after the date of receipt of such notice.

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- 8.2.2 <u>Bankruptcy</u>. COH shall have the right to terminate this Agreement prior to its Expiration upon notice to Licensee, in the event that: (i) Licensee seeks protection of any bankruptcy or insolvency law other than with the prior consent of City of Hope, or (ii) a proceeding in bankruptcy or insolvency is filed by or against Licensee and not withdrawn, removed or vacated within \* of such filing, or there is adjudication by a court of competent jurisdiction that Licensee is bankrupt or insolvent.
- 8.2.3 <u>Termination at Will by Licensee.</u> Licensee shall have the right to terminate this Agreement prior to its Expiration upon notice to COH without cause, effective no fewer than \* following the date of such notice.

#### 8.3 **Effect of Termination.**

- 8.3.1 Upon any termination of this Agreement pursuant to Section 8.2 (but for clarity, not in the ease of its Expiration), all rights and licenses granted to Licensee under Article 4. if any, shall immediately terminate on and as of the effective date of termination as provided in Section 8.2. except that Licensee shall have the right to continue to sell Licensed Products manufactured prior to the effective date of such termination until the sooner of: (i) \* after the effective date of termination, or (ii) the exhaustion of Licensee's inventory of Licensed Products.
  - 8.3.2 Upon termination of this Agreement pursuant to Section 8.2 (but for clarity, not in the case of its Expiration):
- (a) Each Party shall promptly return to the other Party all relevant records and materials in its possession or control containing or comprising the other Party's Confidential Information and to which the Party does not retain rights hereunder.
- (b) Licensee shall discontinue making any representation regarding its status as a licensee of COH for Licensed Products and Licensed Services. Subject to Section 8.3.1, above, Licensee shall cease conducting any activities with respect to the marketing, promotion, sale or distribution of Licensed Products and Licensed Services.
- 8.3.3 Termination of this Agreement through any means and for any reason pursuant to Section 8.2 (but for clarity, not in the case of its Expiration), shall not relieve the Parties of any obligation accruing prior thereto, including the payment of all sums due and payable, and shall be without prejudice to the rights and remedies of either Party with respect to any antecedent breach of any of the provisions of this Agreement.
- 8.4 <u>Survival.</u> Sections 4.11, 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 7.4, 8.3, 8.4, Article 10, Article 11. Article 12, Sections 14.2, 14.4, 14.7, and 14.10 shall survive termination of this Agreement for any reason pursuant to Section 8.2 and Expiration pursuant to Section 8.1.

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#### ARTICLE 9: REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

#### 9.1 Mutual Representations and Warranties. COH and Licensee each represents and warrants as follows:

- 9.1.1 It has the right and authority to enter into this Agreement and all action required to be taken on its behalf; its officers, directors, partners and stockholders necessary for the authorization, execution, and delivery of this Agreement and, the performance of all of its obligations hereunder, and this Agreement, when executed and delivered, will constitute valid and legally binding obligations of such Party, enforceable in accordance with its terms, subject to: (i) laws limiting the availability of specific performance, injunctive relief, and other equitable remedies; and (ii) bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, fraudulent conveyance or other similar laws now or hereafter in effect generally relating to or affecting creditors' rights generally;
  - 9.1.2 Entry into this Agreement will not constitute a breach of any other agreement to which it is party;
- 9.1.3 It has read this Agreement, with assistance from its counsel of choice. It understands all of this Agreement's terms. It has been given a reasonable amount of time to consider the contents of this Agreement before each Party executed it. It agrees that it is executing this Agreement voluntarily with full knowledge of this Agreement's legal significance; and
- 9.1.4 It has made such investigation of all matters pertaining to this Agreement that it deems necessary, and does not rely on any statement, promise, or representation, whether oral or written, with respect to such matters other than those expressly set forth herein. It agrees that it is not relying in any manner on any statement, promise, representation or understanding, whether oral, written or implied, made by any Party, not specifically set forth in this Agreement. It acknowledges that, after execution of this Agreement, it may discover facts different from or in addition to those which it now knows or believes to be true. Nevertheless, it agrees that this Agreement shall be and remain in full force and effect in all respects, notwithstanding such different or additional facts.
- 9 . 2 Representations and Warranties of COH. COH represents and warrants that, to the actual knowledge of the Investigator (as defined in the Research Agreement) and the Director of its Office of Technology Transfer without independent inquiry, COH has the full power and authority to grant the rights, licenses and privileges granted herein.
  - 9.3 **Representations and Warranties of Licensee.** Licensee represents and warrants as follows:
- 9.3.1 all authorizations necessary for the issuance of the COH Shares on the date hereof and the Common Stock issuable to COH upon conversion of the COH Shares issuable to COH pursuant to this Agreement on the date hereof, have been obtained;

- 9.3.2 no consent, approval, order, or authorization of, or registration, qualification, designation, declaration, or filing with, any federal, state, or local governmental authority on the part of Licensee is required in connection with the offer, sale, or issuance of the COH Shares (and the Common Stock issuable upon conversion of the COH Shares) or the consummation of any other transaction contemplated hereby, except for the following: (i) the filing of the Charter, which has been filed by Licensee and accepted by the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware prior to the date of this Agreement in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A; (ii) the filing of a notice of exemption pursuant to Section 25102(f) of the California Corporate Securities Law of 1968, as amended, which shall be filed by Licensee promptly following the date hereof and promptly following any Measurement Date; and (iii) the compliance with other applicable state securities laws, which compliance will have occurred within the appropriate time periods therefor. The offer, sale, and issuance of the COH Shares in conformity with the terms of this Agreement are exempt from the registration requirements of Section 5 of the Act, and from the qualification requirements of Section 25110 of the California Securities Law, and Licensee, nor any authorized agent acting on its behalf will take any action hereafter that prevent the loss of such exemptions;
- 9.3.3 The sale of the COH Shares is not, and the subsequent conversion of the COH Shares into Common Stock will not be, subject to any preemptive rights or rights of first refusal that have not been properly waived or complied with;
- 9.3.4 The COH Shares, when issued, sold and delivered in accordance with the terms of this Agreement for the consideration expressed herein, will be duly and validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable and free of restrictions on transfer, other than restrictions on transfer under applicable state and federal securities laws. The common stock issuable upon conversion of the COH Shares has been duly and validly reserved for issuance and, upon issuance in accordance with the terms of the Charter, will be duly and validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable and will be free of restrictions on transfer other than restrictions on transfer under applicable state and federal securities laws:
- 9.3.5 The authorized capital stock of Licensee consists of 50,000,000 shares of Common Stock, 10,000,000 of which will be issued and outstanding on the date hereof (taking into account the issuance of the COH Shares of Class A Common Stock on the date hereof, and the issuance of the Class B Common Stock). There are no shares of preferred stock issued or outstanding as of the date hereof. Licensee has also reserved but have not issued an aggregate of 2,000,000 shares of Common Stock for issuance to employees, directors and consultants pursuant to Licensee's equity incentive compensation plans. All issued and outstanding shares will have been duly authorized and validly issued and be fully paid and nonassessable. Other than the COH Shares and the shares of Common Stock issuable upon conversion thereof, there are no other outstanding rights, options, warrants, preemptive rights, or similar rights for the purchase or acquisition from Licensee of any securities of Licensee nor any commitments to issue or execute any such rights, options, warrants, preemptive rights or rights of first refusal. The respective rights, preferences, privileges, and restrictions of the Common Stock, including the Class A Common Stock and Class B Common Stock, are solely as stated in the Charter. Exhibit B sets forth a true and complete capitalization table of Licensee; and

- 9.3.6 Licensee is not in violation or default of any provision of the Charter or its bylaws and will not, on any Measurement Date be in such violation or default.
  - 9.4 **Exclusions.** Nothing in this Agreement is or shall be construed as:
    - 9.4.1 A warranty or representation by COH as to the validity or scope of any claim or patent or patent application within the Patent Rights;
- 9.4.2 A warranty or representation by COH that anything made, used, sold, or otherwise disposed of under any license granted in this Agreement is or will be free from infringement of any patent rights or other intellectual property right of any Third Party;
- 9.4.3 A grant by COH, whether by implication, estoppel, or otherwise, of any licenses or rights under any patents other than Patent Rights as defined herein, regardless of whether such patents are dominant or subordinate to Patent Rights;
  - 9.4.4 An obligation on COH to bring or prosecute any suit or action against a third party for infringement of any of the Patent Rights;
  - 9.4.5 An obligation to furnish any know-how not provided in Patent Rights; or
  - 9.4.6 A representation or warranty of the ownership of the Patent Rights other than as set forth in Section 9.2, above.
- 9.5 <u>DISCLAIMER.</u> NO WARRANTY IS GIVEN WITH RESPECT TO THE PATENT RIGHTS, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, EITHER IN FACT OR BY OPERATION OF LAW, BY STATUTE OR OTHERWISE, AND THE PARTIES SPECIFICALLY DISCLAIM ANY EXPRESS OR IMPLIED WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY, FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, VALIDITY OF THE PATENT RIGHTS OR NON-INFRINGEMENT OF THE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY OR OTHER RIGHTS OF ANY THIRD PARTY. THE WARRANTIES SET FORTH IN SECTIONS 9.1 AND 9.2, ABOVE, ARE IN LIEU OF ALL OTHER WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, VALIDITY, NON-INFRINGEMENT AND ALL SUCH OTHER WARRANTIES ARE HEREBY EXPRESSLY DISCLAIMED.

### ARTICLE 10: INDEMNIFICATION

Indemnification by Licensee. Licensee shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless COH, its Affiliates, officers, directors, shareholders, employees and agents ("COH Indemnitees") from and against any and all Third Party liabilities, claims, suits, and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees (collectively, "Losses"), arising out of or are in any way attributable to: (i) the material breach of any representation or warranty made by Licensee under this Agreement, (ii) the research, development, marketing, approval, manufacture, packaging, labeling, handling, storage, transportation, use, distribution, promotion, marketing or sale of Licensed Products or Licensed Services by or on behalf of Licensee, any of its Affiliates or a Sublicensee or any other exercise of rights under this Agreement or pursuant to any sublicensee, or (iii) the negligence, willful misconduct or failure to comply with applicable law by a Licensee Indemnitee or Sublicensee; in each case except to the extent that such Losses are caused directly by: (a) COH's material breach of any representation or warranty made by COH under this Agreement, (b) COH's material breach of its obligations under this Agreement, and/or (c) the gross negligence or willful misconduct of a COH Indemnitee.

- Indemnification by COH. COH shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless Licensee and its Affiliates and their respective officers, directors, shareholders, employees and agents (collectively, the "Licensee Indemnitees") from and against any and all Losses caused directly by: (i) the material breach of any representation or warranty made by COH under this Agreement, or (ii) the gross negligence or willful misconduct of a COH Indemnitee, except to the extent that such Losses arise out of or are in any way attributable to: (a) the material breach of any representation or warranty made by Licensee under this Agreement, (h) the research, development, marketing, approval, manufacture, packaging, labeling, handling, storage, transportation, use, distribution, promotion, marketing or sale of Licensed Products or Licensed Services by or on behalf of Licensee or a Sublicensee, or (c) the negligence, willful misconduct or failure to comply with applicable law by a Licensee Indemnitee or a Sublicensee.
- Procedure. The indemnities set forth in this Article 10 are subject to the condition that the Party seeking the indemnity shall forthwith notify the indemnifying Party on being notified or otherwise made aware of a liability, claim, suit, action or expense and that the indemnifying Party defend and control any proceedings with the other Party being permitted to participate at its own expense (unless there shall be a conflict of interest which would prevent representation by joint counsel, in which event the indemnifying Party shall pay for the other Party's counsel); provided, that, the indemnifying Party may not settle the liability, claim, suit, action or expense, or otherwise admit fault of the other Party or consent to any judgment, without the written consent of the other Party (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld). Notwithstanding the foregoing, no delay in the notification of the existence of any claim of Loss shall cause a failure to comply with this Section 10.3 as long as such delay shall not have materially impaired the rights of the indemnifying Party.

#### 10.4 **Insurance**.

- (a) Within \* following the Effective Date, Licensee shall procure at its sole expense and provide to COH evidence of comprehensive or commercial general liability insurance (contractual liability included) with limits of at least: (i) each occurrence, \$\*; (ii) products/completed operations aggregate, \$\*; (iii) personal and advertising injury, \$\*; and general aggregate (commercial form only), \$\*.
- (b) The foregoing policies will provide primary coverage to COH and shall name the COH Indemnitees as additional insureds, and shall remain in effect during the term of this Agreement and for \* following the termination or expiration of the term of this Agreement. The COH Indemnitees shall be notified in writing by Licensee not less than 30 days prior to any modification, cancellation or non-renewal of such policy. Licensee's insurance must include a provision that the coverages will be primary and will not participate with nor will be excess over any valid and collective insurance or program of self-insurance carried or maintained by the COH Indemnitees. Such insurance coverage shall be maintained with an insurance company or companies having an A.M. Best's rating (or its equivalent) of A-XII or better.

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- (c) Licensee expressly understands that the coverage limits in Section 10.4(a) do not in any way limit the Licensee's liability.
- 10.5 <u>LIMITATION ON DAMAGES.</u> NOTWITHSTANDING ANYTHING CONTAINED IN THIS AGREEMENT TO THE CONTRARY, EXCEPT IN RELATION TO LICENSEE'S INDEMNIFICATION OBLIGATIONS UNDER SECTION 10.1 AND ANY BREACH BY LICENSEE OF ARTICLE 11: (1) IN NO EVENT SHALL EITHER PARTY BE LIABLE FOR ANY SPECIAL, PUNITIVE, CONSEQUENTIAL, INDIRECT, OR INCIDENTAL DAMAGES (INCLUDING LOSS OF PROFITS, COSTS OF PROCURING SUBSTITUTE GOODS, LOST BUSINESS OR ENHANCED DAMAGES FOR INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY INFRINGEMENT) WHETHER BASED UPON BREACH OF WARRANTY, BREACH OF CONTRACT, NEGLIGENCE, STRICT LIABILITY IN TORT OR ANY OTHER LEGAL THEORY, AND (II) IN NO EVENT SHALL COH BE LIABLE TO LICENSEE FOR AN AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN EXCESS OF TWO-THIRDS OF THE TOTAL CONSIDERATION PAID TO COH HEREUNDER.

### ARTICLE 11: CONFIDENTIALITY

- 11.1 Confidential Information. During the term of this Agreement and for \* thereafter without regard to the means of termination: (i) COH shall not use, for any purpose other than the purpose contemplated by this Agreement, or reveal or disclose to any Third Party Licensee Confidential information; and (ii) Licensee shall not use, for any purpose other than the purpose contemplated by this Agreement, or reveal or disclose COH Confidential Information to any Third Party. The Parties shall take reasonable measures to assure that no unauthorized use or disclosure is made by others to whom access to such information is granted.
  - 11.2 Exceptions. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Party may use and disclose Confidential Information of the other Party as follows:
- (a) if required by applicable law, rule, regulation, government requirement and/or court order, <u>provided</u>, that, the disclosing Party promptly notifies the other Party of its notice of any such requirement and provides the other Party a reasonable opportunity to seek a protective order or other appropriate remedy and/or to waive compliance with the provisions of this Agreement;
  - (b) to the extent such use and disclosure occurs in the filing or publication of any patent application or patent on inventions;

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- (c) as necessary or desirable for securing any regulatory approvals, including pricing approvals, for any Licensed Products or Licensed Services, provided, that, the disclosing Party shall take all reasonable steps to limit disclosure of the Confidential Information outside such regulatory agency and to otherwise maintain the confidentiality of the Confidential Information;
- (d) to take any lawful action that it deems necessary to protect its interest under, or to enforce compliance with the terms and conditions of, this Agreement;
- (e) to the extent necessary, to its Affiliates, directors, officers, employees, consultants, vendors and clinicians under written agreements of confidentiality at least as restrictive as those set forth in this Agreement, who have a need to know such information in connection with such Party performing its obligations or exercising its rights under this Agreement; and
- (f) by Licensee, to actual and potential investors, licensees, Sublicensees, consultants, vendors and suppliers, and academic and commercial collaborators, under written agreements of confidentiality at least as restrictive as those set forth in this Agreement.
- 11.3 <u>Certain Obligations.</u> During the Term and for a period of five years thereafter and subject to the exceptions set forth in Section 11.2, Licensee, with respect to COH Confidential Information, and COH, with respect to Licensee Confidential Information, agree:
  - (a) to use such Confidential Information only for the purposes contemplated under this Agreement,

and

- (b) to treat such Confidential Information as it would its own proprietary information which in no event shall be less than a reasonable standard of care,
- (c) to take reasonable precautions to prevent the disclosure of such Confidential information to a Third Party without written consent of the other Party,
- (d) to only disclose such Confidential Information to those employees, agents and Third Parties who have a need to know such Confidential Information for the purposes set forth herein and who are subject to obligations of confidentiality no less restrictive than those set forth herein.
- 11.4 Termination. Upon termination of this Agreement pursuant to Section 8.2 (but for clarity, not in the case of its Expiration), and upon the request of the disclosing Party, the receiving Party shall promptly return to the disclosing Party or destroy all copies of Confidential information received from such Party, and shall return or destroy, and document the destruction of, all summaries, abstracts, extracts, or other documents which contain any Confidential Information of the other Party in any form, except that each Party shall be permitted to retain a copy (or copies, as necessary) of such Confidential Information for archival purposes or to enforce or verify compliance with this Agreement, or as required by any applicable law or regulation.

### ARTICLE 12: DISPUTE RESOLUTION

All Disputes shall be first referred to a Vice President, Center for Applied Technology Development of COH (the "COH VP") and the President of Licensee for resolution, prior to proceeding under the other provisions of this Article 12. A Dispute shall be referred to such executives upon one Party (the "Initiating Party") providing the other Party (the "Responding Party") with notice that such Dispute exists, together with a written statement describing the Dispute with reasonable specificity and proposing a resolution to such Dispute that the Initiating Party is willing to accept, if any. Within ten days after having received such statement and proposed resolution, if any, the Responding Party shall respond with a written statement that provides additional information, if any, regarding such Dispute, and proposes a resolution to such Dispute that the Responding Party is willing to accept, if any. In the event that such Dispute is not resolved within \* after the Responding Party's receipt of the Initiating Party's notice, either Party may bring and thereafter maintain suit against the other with respect to such Dispute; provided, however, that the exclusive jurisdiction of any such suit shall be the state and federal courts located in Los Angeles County, California, and the Parties hereby consent to the exclusive jurisdiction and venue of such courts.

#### ARTICLE 13: GOVERNMENTAL MATTERS

- 13.1 <u>Governmental Approval or Registration.</u> If this Agreement or any associated transaction is required by the law of any nation to be either approved or registered with any governmental agency, Licensee shall assume all legal obligations to do so. Licensee shall notify COH if it becomes aware that this Agreement is subject to a U.S. or foreign government reporting or approval requirement. Licensee shall make all necessary filings and pay all costs including fees, penalties and all other out-of-pocket costs associated with such reporting or approval process.
- 13.2 <u>Export Control Laws.</u> Licensee shall observe all applicable U.S. and foreign laws with respect to the transfer of Licensed Products and related technical data to foreign countries, including, without limitation, the International Traffic in Arms Regulations and the Export Administration Regulations.
  - 13.3 Preference for United States Industry. If Licensee sells a Licensed Product in the U.S., Licensee shall manufacture said product substantially in the U.S.

#### ARTICLE 14: MISCELLANEOUS

Assignment and Delegation. Except as expressly provided in this Section 14.1, neither this Agreement nor any right or obligation hereunder shall be assignable in whole or in part, whether by operation of law, or otherwise by Licensee without the prior written consent of COH. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Licensee may assign or transfer its rights and obligations under this Agreement to a Person that succeeds to all or substantially all of that Party's business or assets, whether by sale, merger, operation of law or otherwise and provided that such Person agrees, in form and substance reasonably acceptable to COH, to be bound as a direct party to this Agreement in lieu of or in addition to Licensee and provided further that Licensee has complied with its obligations pursuant to Section 4.5. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by the Parties hereto and their respective successors and permitted assignees. Any transfer or assignment of this Agreement in violation of this Section 14.1 shall be null and void.

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- 14.2 Entire Agreement. This Agreement and the Research Agreement contains the entire agreement between the Parties relating to the subject matter hereof, and all prior understandings, representations and warranties between the Parties are superseded by this Agreement.
  - 14.3 Amendments. Changes and additional provisions to this Agreement shall be binding on the Parties only if agreed upon in writing and signed by the Parties.
- 14.4 Applicable Law. This Agreement shall be construed and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of California and all rights and remedies shall be governed by such laws without regard to principles of conflicts of law.
- 14.5 <u>Force Majeure.</u> If the performance of this Agreement or any obligations hereunder is prevented, restricted or interfered with by reason of earthquake, fire, flood or other casualty or due to strikes, riot, storms, explosions, acts of God, war, terrorism, or a similar occurrence or condition beyond the reasonable control of the Parties, the Party so affected shall, upon giving prompt notice to the other Parties, be excused from such performance during such prevention, restriction or interference, and any failure or delay resulting therefrom shall not be considered a breach of this Agreement.
- 14.6 <u>Severability.</u> The Parties do not intend to violate any public policy or statutory common law. However, if any sentence, paragraph, clause or combination of this Agreement is in violation of any law or is found to be otherwise unenforceable, such sentence, paragraph, clause or combination of the same shall be deleted and the remainder of this Agreement shall remain binding, provided that such deletion does not alter the basic purpose and structure of this Agreement.
- 14.7 Notices. All notices, requests, demands, and other communications relating to this Agreement shall be in writing in the English language and shall be delivered in person or by mail, international courier or facsimile transmission (with a confirmation copy forwarded by courier or mail). Notices sent by mail shall be sent by first class mail or the equivalent, registered or certified, postage prepaid, and shall be deemed to have been given on the date actually received. Notices sent by international courier shall be sent using a service which provides traceability of packages. Notices shall be sent as follows:

Notices to COH:

Office of Technology Licensing City of Hope 1500 East Duarte Road Duarte, CA 91010 Attn: Sr. VP, Center for Applied Technology Development Fax 626-301-8175 with a copy to:

Office of General Counsel City of Hope 1500 East Duarte Road Duarte, CA 91010 Attn: General Counsel Fax 626-301-8863 Notices to Licensee:

with a copy to

Mustang Therapeutics, Inc. 3 Columbus Circle, 15th Floor New York, NY 10019 Attn: CEO Mustang Therapeutics, Inc. 3 Columbus Circle, 15th Floor New York, NY 10019 Attn: Corporate Secretary

Either Party may change its address for notices or facsimile number at any time by sending notice to the other Party.

- 1 4 . 8 **Independent Contractor**. Nothing herein shall create any association, partnership, joint venture, fiduciary duty or the relation of principal and agent between the Parties hereto, it being understood that each Party is acting as an independent contractor, and neither Party shall have the authority to bind the other or the other's representatives in any way.
- 14.9 Waiver. No delay on the part of either Party hereto in exercising any power or right hereunder shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any power or right hereunder preclude other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other power or right. No waiver of this Agreement or any provision hereof shall be enforceable against any Party hereto unless in writing, signed by the Party against whom such waiver is claimed, and shall be limited solely to the one event.
- 14.10 <u>Interpretation.</u> This Agreement has been prepared jointly and no rule of strict construction shall be applied against either Party. In this Agreement, the singular shall include the plural and vice versa and the word "including" shall be deemed to be followed by the phrase "without limitation." The section headings contained in this Agreement are inserted for convenience only and shall not affect in any way the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.
- 14.11 <u>Counterparts.</u> This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which together shall constitute one and the same Agreement. For purposes of executing this agreement, a facsimile copy or an emailed PDF of this Agreement, including the signature pages, will be deemed an original.
- 14.12 <u>Licensee Certification.</u> Licensee certifies to COH, under penalty of perjury, that Licensee has not been convicted of a criminal offense related to health care, is not currently debarred, excluded or otherwise ineligible for participation in federally funded health care programs and has not arranged or contracted (by employment or otherwise) with any employee, contractor, or agent that it knew or should have known are excluded from participation in any federal health care program, and will not knowingly arrange or contract with any such individuals or entities during the term of this Agreement. Licensee agrees to notify col4 in writing immediately of any threatened, proposed or actual conviction relating to health care, of any threatened, proposed or actual debarment or exclusion from participation in federally funded programs, of COH or any employee, contractor or agent of COH. Any breach of this Section 14.12 by Licensee shall be grounds for termination of this Agreement by COH in accordance with Section 8.2.1.

14.13 Publicity. Neither Party may issue a press releases or otherwise disclose the existence or terms of this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other Party; provided, however, that once the existence or any terms or conditions of this Agreement has been publicly disclosed in a manner mutually and reasonably agreed-to by the Parties, either Party may republish the facts previously disclosed without the prior consent of the other Party. COH may, in its sole discretion and without the approval of Licensee, publicly disclose the existence of this Agreement and the overall potential value of the Agreement to COH, so long as the detailed and specific terms and conditions of this Agreement are not disclosed. If a third party inquires whether a license is available, COH may disclose the existence of the Agreement and the extent of its grant in Section 3.1 to such third party, but will not disclose the name of the Licensee, except where COH is required to release information under either the California Public Records Act or other applicable law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement by their duly authorized representatives.

MUSTANG THERAPEUTICS, INC.	CITY OF HOPE	
By: /s/ Michael Weiss	By: /s/ Robert Stone	
Michael Weiss	Robert Stone	
President and CEO	President and CEO	

CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT REQUESTED. Confidential portions of this document have been redacted and have been separately filed with the Commission.  Exhibit 10.6
EXHIBIT A
Form of Charter

# EXHIBIT B

## List of Capital Stock Holders

City of Hope: 10%

Lindsay Rosenwald: 5%

Mike Weiss: 5%

Winson Tang: 15%

Coronado Biosciences Inc. 65%

## EXHIBIT C

Form of Standard Research Agreement