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OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the fiscal year ended: January 2, 2009

OR

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

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EXELIXIS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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04-3257395
(I.R.S. Employer

Incorporation or Organization)

Identification Number)

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(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

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(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Securities Registered Pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of Each Class	Name of Each Exchange on Which Registered
Common Stock \$.001 Par Value per Share	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC

Securities Registered Pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:

None

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes No

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State the aggregate market value of the voting and non-voting common equity held by non-affiliates computed by reference to the price at which the common equity was last sold, or the average bid and asked price of such common equity, as of the last business day of the registrant's most recently completed second fiscal quarter: \$445,074,036 (Based on the closing sales price of the registrant's common stock on that date. Excludes an aggregate of 17,700,506 shares of the registrant's common stock held by officers, directors and affiliated stockholders. For purposes of determining whether a stockholder was an affiliate of the registrant at June 27, 2008, the registrant assumed that a stockholder was an affiliate of the registrant at June 27, 2008 if such stockholder (i) beneficially owned 10% or more of the registrant's common stock, as determined based on public filings, and/or (ii) was an executive officer or director or was affiliated with an executive officer or director of the registrant at June 27, 2008. Exclusion of such shares should not be construed to indicate that any such person possesses the power, direct or indirect, to direct or cause the direction of the management or policies of the registrant or that such person is controlled by or under common control with the registrant.)

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As of February 27, 2009, there were 106,382,566 shares of the registrant's common stock outstanding.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Certain portions of the registrant's definitive proxy statement to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Regulation 14A, not later than May 2, 2009, in connection with the registrant's 2009 Annual Meeting of Stockholders are incorporated herein by reference into Part III of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

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Some of the statements under the captions Risk Factors, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and Business and elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K are forward-looking statements. These statements are based on our current expectations, assumptions, estimates and projections about our business and our industry and involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause our company's or our industry's results, levels of activity, performance or achievements to be materially different from any future results, levels of activity, performance or achievements expressed or implied in, or contemplated by, the forward-looking statements. Words such as believe, anticipate, expect, intend, plan, goal, objective, will, may should, would, could, estimate, predict, potential, continue, encouraging or the negative of such terms or other similar expressions identify forward-looking statements. Our actual results and the timing of events may differ significantly from the results discussed in the forward-looking statements. Factors that might cause such a difference include those discussed in Item 1A. Risk Factors as well as those discussed elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K. These and many other factors could affect our future financial and operating results. We undertake no obligation to update any forward-looking statement to reflect events after the date of this report.

In 2006, Exelixis adopted a 52- or 53-week fiscal year that ends on the Friday closest to December 31st. Fiscal year 2006, a 52-week year, ended on December 29, 2006, fiscal year 2007, a 52-week year, ended on December 28, 2007, fiscal year 2008, a 53-week year, ended on January 2, 2009, and fiscal year 2009, a 52-week year, will end on January 1, 2010. For convenience, references in this report as of and for the fiscal years ended December 29, 2006, December 28, 2007, and January 2, 2009 are indicated on a calendar year basis, ending December 31, 2006, 2007 and 2008, respectively.

ITEM 1. BUSINESS**Overview**

We are committed to developing innovative therapies for cancer and other serious diseases. Through our integrated drug discovery and development activities, we are building a portfolio of novel compounds that we believe have the potential to be high-quality, differentiated pharmaceutical products. Our most advanced pharmaceutical programs focus on discovery and development of small molecule drugs for cancer.

Utilizing our library of more than 4.5 million compounds, we have integrated high-throughput processes, medicinal chemistry, bioinformatics, structural biology and early *in vivo* testing into a process that allows us to efficiently and rapidly identify highly qualified drug candidates that meet our extensive development criteria.

Since our inception, we have filed 16 investigational new drug applications, or INDs, with the United States Food and Drug Administration, or FDA. As our compounds advance into clinical development, we expect to generate a critical mass of data that will help us to understand the full clinical and commercial potential of our drug candidates. In addition to guiding the potential commercialization of our innovative therapies, these data may contribute to the understanding of disease and help improve treatment outcomes.

Based on the strength of our expertise in biology, drug discovery and development, we have established collaborations with leading pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies, including Bristol-Myers Squibb Company, Genentech, Inc. and GlaxoSmithKline, that allow us to retain economic participation in compounds and support additional development of our pipeline. Our collaborations generally fall into one of two categories: collaborations in which we co-develop compounds with a partner, share development costs and profits from commercialization and may have the right to co-promote products in the United States, and collaborations in which we out-license compounds to a partner for further development and commercialization, have no further unreimbursed cost obligations and are entitled only to receive milestones and royalties from commercialization. Under either form of collaboration, we may also be entitled to license fees, research funding and milestone

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payments from research results and subsequent product development activities. We maintain exclusive ownership of those compounds in our pipeline that we are developing ourselves. We are responsible for all development costs for these compounds and are entitled to 100% of profits if the compounds are commercialized.

The following table sets forth those compounds in clinical development that we are developing internally or are co-developing with a partner:

Compound	Partner	Principal Targets	Indication	Stage of Development
XL184	Bristol-Myers Squibb	MET, VEGFR2, RET	Cancer	Phase 3
XL147	Unpartnered	PI3K	Cancer	Phase 1b/2
XL765	Unpartnered	PI3K, mTOR	Cancer	Phase 1b/2
XL518	Genentech	MEK	Cancer	Phase 1
XL228	Unpartnered	IGF1R , ABL, SRC	Cancer	Phase 1
XL019	Unpartnered	JAK2	Cancer	Phase 1
XL139	Bristol-Myers Squibb	Hedgehog	Cancer	Phase 1
XL413	Bristol-Myers Squibb	CDC7	Cancer	Phase 1
XL888	Unpartnered	HSP90	Cancer	Phase 1

The following table sets forth those compounds in preclinical and clinical development that we have out-licensed to third parties for further development and commercialization:

Compound	Partner	Principal Targets	Indication	Stage of Development
XL880	GlaxoSmithKline	MET, VEGFR2	Cancer	Phase 2
XL281	Bristol-Myers Squibb	RAF	Cancer	Phase 1
XL652	Bristol-Myers Squibb	LXR	Metabolic and cardiovascular diseases	Phase 1
XL550	Daiichi-Sankyo	MR	Metabolic and cardiovascular diseases	Preclinical
FXR	Wyeth	FXR	Metabolic and liver disorders	Preclinical

Our Strategy

Our business strategy is to leverage our biological expertise and integrated drug discovery capabilities to generate a pipeline of diverse development compounds with first-in-class or best-in-class potential that fulfill unmet medical needs in the treatment of cancer and potentially other serious diseases. We have refined our strategy to reflect the prolonged economic downturn and the deterioration of the capital markets. In particular, we are focused on ensuring that our expenses are in line with our cash resources, with the goal of being able to operate independently of the capital markets for a substantial period of time.

Our strategy is centered around three principal elements:

Focus development While we have historically pursued an approach to drug discovery intended to generate a significant number of development candidates to fuel our pipeline, for the foreseeable future we intend to direct our discovery efforts more towards generating development candidates under existing and future discovery collaborations with third parties. Our objective is to fund a significant portion of our discovery costs by entering into such collaborations. We are also focusing our later stage clinical development efforts on a limited number of programs. We believe that the most attractive compounds to develop ourselves or to co-develop with a partner have a lower-cost, lower-risk route to the market, usually for a niche indication, with the possibility of substantially expanding the market into major indications. Our most advanced clinical asset, XL184, which we are co-developing with Bristol-Myers Squibb, represents such a compound. We expect particularly to focus our later stage development efforts on XL184, which is being studied in a variety of tumor types, with the goal of rapidly commercializing the compound.

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Partner compounds We are seeking new collaborations with leading pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies for the development and ultimate commercialization of some of our preclinical and clinical assets, particularly those drug candidates for which we believe that the capabilities and bandwidth of a partner can accelerate development and help to fully realize their therapeutic and commercial potential. Collaborations also provide us with a means of shifting a portion or all of the development costs related to such drug candidates. Consistent with this element of our strategy, in December 2008 we entered into a worldwide collaboration with Bristol-Myers Squibb on two of our cancer programs: one associated with XL184 and the other associated with XL281.

Control costs We are committed to managing our costs. In November 2008, we implemented a restructuring that resulted in the reduction of approximately 10% of our workforce. We will continue to analyze our expenses to ensure that they are not disproportionate to our cash resources. In addition, we will continue to be selective with respect to funding our clinical development programs. We have established definitive go/no-go criteria with respect to our development programs to ensure that we commit our resources only to those programs with the greatest commercial and therapeutic potential. For example, we are conducting limited studies on XL019 and XL228 with the goal of making decisions to continue or halt development of these compounds during 2009. In addition, in late 2008 we discontinued development of XL820 and XL844. In the second half of 2008, we also decided not to invest any additional Exelixis resources in the development of XL647. To control costs, we may decide in the future to pursue collaborations for the development of drug candidates that we had initially determined to develop ourselves. We also retain the right to opt-out of the development of certain drug candidates that we are currently co-developing with partners.

We make decisions regarding whether and how to develop particular drug candidates we have generated through our discovery efforts based on a variety of factors, including preclinical and clinical data, our available financial resources, estimates of the costs to develop and commercialize the drug candidate, our bandwidth and our expertise. Ultimately, our decision-making is intended to maximize the value and productivity of our resources and to focus our efforts on those drug candidates that are commercially attractive and have the potential to be first-in-class or best-in-class therapeutics.

Areas of Expertise

Integrated Drug Research, Discovery and Development Capabilities

We have built a multidisciplinary, integrated research and development platform that supports the complex, iterative nature of drug discovery, translational research and clinical development. Our platform has been designed to include all of the critical functions and expertise required to advance from gene to drug in a consistent and streamlined fashion. Our integrated approach supports advancement of candidate compounds from development candidate status to IND in less than 12 months.

Our organizational structure is designed to create a seamless and flexible research and development process. It is structured to provide one consistent set of goals and objectives to all departments within the research and development organization and to give us the flexibility to allocate and focus our diverse resources to address our most pressing needs and those of our partners. This organizational structure ensures that our earliest discovery activities generate data that inform clinical development strategies, and enables us to apply what we learn about our drug candidates in the clinic to how we discover, assess and select new compounds for future development. We believe that this approach allows us to align the target profile of a specific compound with the molecular profiles of specific cancer types and patient populations. We also believe that this strengthens our ability to select appropriate patients for clinical trials, which may allow significant efficacy to be demonstrated using smaller, shorter trials. Similarly, we use biological approaches to identify disease indications that give us a clear and potentially shorter path to the market, which may allow us to decrease our development times and bring drugs to market sooner.

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Additionally, we are leveraging what we learn through preclinical pharmacodynamic studies to identify clinical biomarkers that can be utilized to determine early in the development process if the compound is having the expected effect on the target(s) and pathway(s) of interest and if patients are responding to it. This approach may result in an increased probability that patients receive effective therapies.

We believe that an effective approach to the treatment of cancer is to target multiple pathways, simultaneously turning off growth signals, increasing rates of programmed cell death and reducing the growth of blood vessels necessary to support tumor growth. Many of our first-generation anticancer product candidates in our clinical pipeline are Spectrum Selective Kinase Inhibitors, or SSKIs, that have been optimized for balanced potency, specificity, tolerability and pharmacologic parameters. These SSKIs are designed to target multiple members of a family of proteins known as receptor tyrosine kinases, or RTKs, in a concerted manner. RTKs are validated targets for drug development, as evidenced by several recent approved cancer therapies. Because interactions among multiple RTKs contribute to the development and progression of disease, SSKIs may provide more effective disease control than compounds that target only one RTK or target multiple non-related RTKs. Additionally, because SSKIs are optimized for key *in vitro* and *in vivo* parameters, these compounds may also provide improved efficacy and enhanced safety profiles compared with combinations of single-target drugs that have not been optimized for use together.

Our second-generation compounds are designed to selectively inhibit kinases that are points of convergence in critical signaling pathways employed by growth factor receptors to transmit their aberrant signals in tumor cells. The targets of several approved therapies transmit their signals through a number of common downstream pathways, such as the RAS/RAF/MEK/ERK, PI3 kinase/AKT/mTOR, and JAK/STAT pathways. These pathways also are often mutationally activated in a wide range of tumors. Thus, inhibition of key kinase targets in these pathways may provide superior efficacy, safety and tolerability compared to conventional chemotherapy and may enable entirely new approaches to cancer therapy.

The majority of our compounds target one or more molecular pathways that control critical aspects of cancer cell growth, migration or survival. These include:

Cell Growth In most normal adult tissues, cell growth is tightly controlled. However, cancer cells escape normal growth control and are driven to divide very rapidly. In many cases, this growth is driven by excessive activity of cellular growth factors and/or their receptors. This change in activity may result from mutations that allow the receptor to be active even when no growth factor is present or from expression of abnormally high levels of a growth factor or its receptor. This abnormal activity may also allow cancer cells to survive under conditions that would usually lead to cell death, which contributes to resistance to chemotherapy or radiation. Inhibition of growth factors or growth factor receptors is a validated approach to treating cancer, and several approved cancer therapies are designed to inhibit the activity of these proteins. Growth factor receptors that play a role in tumor cell growth include the platelet-derived growth factor receptor, or PDGFR, the hepatocyte growth factor receptor, or MET, the neurotrophic factor rearranged during transfection, or RET, and the insulin-like growth factor type 1 receptor, or IGF1R. Key kinases in signal transduction pathways downstream of growth factor receptors that promote cell growth include RAF, the MAPK-ERK kinase, or MEK, ABL, the cytoplasmic tyrosine janus kinase 2, or JAK2, the phosphoinositide-3 kinase, or PI3K, and the mammalian target of rapamycin, or mTOR. Abnormal activation of the hedgehog-smoothened pathway, via mutation of pathway components or over-expression of the hedgehog family of growth factors, also drives the growth of certain tumors. In particular, activation of this pathway may be important for the growth of tumor stem cells that are resistant to many current therapies. Inhibition of this pathway has shown clinical benefit in basal cell carcinomas, and may result in more durable responses when used in combination with chemo- or radio-therapy.

Cell Survival Normal cells often activate a self-destruct program known as programmed cell death or apoptosis under abnormal conditions that include the stresses that arise as a result of nutrient, oxygen or energy deprivation, for example. One of the hallmarks of tumor cells is the ability to survive under such conditions, an attribute that results from the inappropriate activation of survival signaling

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pathways. These pathways often become activated in tumor cells as a result of genetic alterations that result in either loss of the suppressor genes that negatively regulate such pathways or the activation of positive effectors of the pathway. Many growth factor receptors, including MET and IGF1R activate survival signaling pathways. Other key kinases in survival pathways include PI3K and mTOR.

Angiogenesis Angiogenesis, the process by which new blood vessels form, is essential for the growth of tumors beyond a minimum size. In small tumors, cancer cells use existing blood vessels to get oxygen and nutrients needed for growth and to remove waste products. As tumors grow, the existing blood vessels are no longer sufficient to support the rapid pace of cancer cell growth, and continued growth and cancer cell survival requires the formation of new blood vessels. Tumor cells send out chemical signals that stimulate nearby blood vessels to grow into the tumor. In addition to providing essential oxygen and nutrients to the tumor, these new blood vessels also facilitate the migration of tumor cells into the blood system where they can travel to other parts of the body and give rise to metastatic disease. Inhibition of angiogenesis is a validated approach to treating cancer, and angiogenesis inhibitors have been approved by the FDA for the treatment of several types of cancer. RTKs that play a role in angiogenesis include the vascular endothelial growth factor receptor 2, or VEGFR2 (also known as KDR), PDGFR, MET and SRC.

Migration Cell migration allows tumor cells to invade healthy tissue and spread to disparate parts of the body. A key target that has been shown to play a role in cell migration is MET.

Cell Cycle Regulation In normal cells, the processes of DNA replication and cell division are tightly controlled, so that cell division does not occur until DNA replication is complete. This is achieved through enforcement of cell cycle checkpoints which prevent cells with damaged or incompletely replicated DNA from advancing into mitosis. Disruption of these checkpoints triggers cell death in many tumor cells, but causes a reversible arrest in normal cells. Inhibition of key components of these cell cycle checkpoints, such as the protein kinase CDC7, may therefore allow for selective killing of tumors cells with minimal systemic toxicity.

Drug Discovery

In addition to establishing an integrated research and development organizational structure, we have built an optimized drug discovery platform. We utilize a variety of high-throughput technologies to enable the rapid discovery, optimization and extensive characterization of lead compounds such that we are able to select development candidates with the best potential for further evaluation and advancement into the clinic. We have combined our ability to identify and validate novel targets with state-of-the-art drug discovery to effectively exploit both the chemical and biological sciences. In addition, we have built critical mass in all key operational areas. We believe that these human and technological resources enable us to: (1) effectively and rapidly qualify novel targets for high-throughput screening; (2) identify and optimize proprietary lead compounds; (3) develop extensive preclinical data to guide selection of patient populations, thereby maximizing the opportunity for obtaining significant clinical benefit; and (4) perform the broad range of preclinical testing required to advance promising compounds through all stages of development. Key capabilities within drug discovery include: high-throughput screening, medicinal and combinatorial chemistry, cell biology, protein biochemistry, structural biology, pharmacology, biotherapeutics and informatics.

Translational Research

Our translational research group is focused on using the knowledge we generate in the discovery process about biological targets and the impact of our compounds on those targets to identify patient populations in which to test our compounds and methods for assessing compound activity. This includes understanding the role of specific targets in disease therapy, identifying gene mutations or gene variants that impact response to therapy and identifying biomarkers that can be used to assess drug responses early on in treatment. Key capabilities within translational research include nonclinical development (encompassing toxicology, drug metabolism, pharmacokinetics and bioanalytics) and translational medicine.

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Development

Our development group leads the implementation of our clinical and regulatory strategies. Working closely with the discovery and translational research groups, and with our partners, as the case may be, the development group prioritizes disease indications in which our compounds may be studied in clinical trials. The development group designs, directs, implements and oversees all areas of clinical operations, including identifying and selecting clinical investigators, recruiting study subjects to participate in our clinical trials, biostatistics, data management, drug safety evaluation, and adverse event reporting. The development group also is responsible for assuring that our development programs are conducted in compliance with all regulatory requirements. The group works closely with the cross functional project and clinical teams to facilitate the appropriate and efficient development of our diverse product pipeline. Key capabilities within development include clinical development, clinical operations, safety monitoring, biostatistics, programming and data management, regulatory strategy and program management.

Our Pipeline

We have an extensive pipeline of compounds in various stages of development that will potentially treat cancer and various metabolic and cardiovascular disorders. All of our development compounds were generated through our internal drug discovery efforts.

Compounds Being Developed Internally or Co-Developed with a Partner

We are currently developing internally or are co-developing with a partner the following nine compounds in clinical development.

XL184 inhibits MET, RET and VEGFR2, key drivers of tumor growth and vascularization. This SSKI has demonstrated dose-dependent tumor growth inhibition and tumor regression in a variety of tumor models, including thyroid, breast, non-small cell lung cancer and glioblastoma. A phase 1 clinical trial in patients with solid tumors for whom there are no other available therapies was initiated in September 2005. Preliminary data from this study were first reported by investigators at the 18th EORTC-NCI-AACR International Conference on Molecular Targets and Cancer Therapeutics, or the EORTC Symposium, in November 2006. Updated data from this study were presented at the 2007 and 2008 EORTC Symposia and the 44th Annual Meeting of the American Society of Clinical Oncology, or ASCO Annual Meeting, in June 2008. A phase 1b/2 trial of XL184 as a single agent and in combination with erlotinib was initiated in January 2008 in patients with non-small cell lung cancer who have failed prior therapy with erlotinib, and a phase 2 trial in patients with advanced glioblastoma was initiated in April 2008. In July 2008, a phase 3 registration trial of XL184 as a potential treatment for medullary thyroid cancer was initiated following agreement between the Company and the FDA on the trial design through the FDA's Special Protocol Assessment process. As described under

Corporate Collaborations Bristol-Myers Squibb 2008 Cancer Collaboration, in December 2008, we entered into a worldwide co-development collaboration with Bristol-Myers Squibb for the development and commercialization of XL184.

XL147 selectively targets PI3K. Upregulation of PI3K activity is one of the most common characteristics of human tumor cells and can result from activation of growth factor receptors, amplification of the PI3K α gene, activating mutations in the PI3K α gene, downregulation of the phosphatase and tensin homolog, or PTEN, lipid phosphatase, or activating mutations in RAS. Activation of PI3K results in stimulation of AKT and mTOR kinases resulting in promotion of tumor cell growth and survival. This survival signal plays a significant role in conferring resistance to chemo- and radio-therapy by inhibiting apoptotic cell death. XL147 is a potent and selective inhibitor of PI3K with excellent pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamic properties and compelling efficacy in several preclinical xenograft models both as a single agent and in combination with chemotherapy. We filed an IND for XL147 in March 2007 and initiated a phase 1 trial in June 2007. Preliminary data from this trial were reported at the 2007 EORTC Symposium in October 2007, and updated data were presented

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at the 2008 EORTC Symposium in October 2008. Two phase 1b/2 studies were initiated in 2008 combining XL147 with either erlotinib or combination chemotherapy (carboplatin and paclitaxel).

XL765 targets both PI3K and mTOR, key kinases in the PI3K signaling pathway. mTOR is a serine/threonine kinase that controls the protein translation machinery and hence cell growth. mTOR is activated by growth factors via PI3K and AKT, but is also activated in a PI3K independent fashion in response to nutrient and energy levels. Thus, in some tumors targeting both PI3K and mTOR may provide additional benefit compared to selectively targeting PI3K. XL765 is a potent inhibitor of PI3K and mTOR with excellent pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamic properties, and compelling efficacy in several preclinical xenograft models both as a single agent and in combination with chemotherapy. We filed an IND for XL765 in April 2007 and initiated a phase 1 trial in June 2007. Preliminary data from this trial were reported at the 2007 EORTC Symposium in October 2007, and updated data were presented at the 2008 ASCO Annual Meeting in June 2008 and at the 2008 EORTC Symposium in October 2008. Two phase 1b/2 studies were initiated in 2008 combining XL765 with either erlotinib or chemotherapy (temozolomide).

XL518 is a novel small molecule inhibitor of MEK, a key component of the RAS/RAF/MEK/ERK signaling pathway. This pathway is frequently activated in human tumors and is required for transmission of growth-promoting signals from numerous receptor tyrosine kinases. Preclinical studies have demonstrated that XL518 is a potent and specific inhibitor of MEK with highly optimized pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamic properties. XL518 exhibits oral bioavailability in multiple species and causes substantial and durable inhibition of ERK phosphorylation in xenograft tumor models. Administration of XL518 causes tumor regression in multiple xenograft models with mutationally-activated B-RAF or RAS. We filed an IND for XL518 in December 2006 and initiated a phase 1 clinical trial in May 2007. In December 2006, we entered into a worldwide co-development agreement with Genentech for the development and commercialization of XL518, as described under Corporate Collaborations Genentech. In early 2009, we reached the maximum tolerated dose for XL518 and expect to transfer the compound to Genentech in March 2009.

XL228 targets IGF1R, an RTK that is highly expressed and activated in a broad range of human tumors and is thought to promote tumor growth, survival and resistance to chemotherapeutic agents. In addition, XL228 potently inhibits the T315I mutant form of BCR-ABL, which is resistant to inhibition by other targeted therapies approved for chronic myelogenous leukemia. XL228 also targets SRC, a tyrosine kinase that is activated and/or expressed in many tumors and plays an important role in tumor angiogenesis, progression and metastasis. XL228 exhibited efficacy in a variety of solid tumor xenograft models. We filed an IND for XL228 in August 2006. We subsequently observed formulation stability data resulting in the need for minor changes in formulation. We then initiated a phase 1 clinical trial in May 2007 in patients with chronic myelogenous leukemia who have failed or have been intolerant to imatinib and dasatinib therapy, and a phase 1 trial in patients with solid tumors in October 2007. Preliminary data from the trial in patients with chronic myelogenous leukemia were reported at the annual meeting of the American Society of Hematology in December 2007 and 2008. Preliminary data from the phase 1 trial in patients with solid tumors were presented at the EORTC Symposium in October 2008.

XL019 inhibits JAK2, a cytoplasmic tyrosine that is activated by cytokine and growth factor receptors and that phosphorylates members of the STAT family of inducible transcription factors. Activation of the JAK/STAT pathway promotes cell growth and survival, and is a common feature of human tumors. JAK2 is activated by mutation in the majority of patients with polycythemia vera and essential thrombocythemia and appears to drive the inappropriate growth of blood cells in these conditions. XL019 is a potent and selective inhibitor of JAK2, with excellent pharmacodynamic properties and an encouraging safety profile in preclinical models. A phase 1 trial was initiated in patients with myelofibrosis in August 2007, and data from this study were reported at the annual meetings of the American Society of Hematology in December 2007 and 2008.

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XL139 inhibits activation of Hedgehog, or Hh, signaling by binding to smoothened, a key component of the signaling pathway. Genetic lesions that activate the Hh pathway are key drivers of basal cell carcinoma and medulloblastoma formation in humans. In addition, activation of the Hh signaling pathway via the action of the ligands SHh, IHH or DHH promotes cellular growth, and elevated ligand production and Hh pathway activation is observed in a variety of human tumors including pancreatic carcinomas, small-cell lung cancer and glioblastomas. Signaling via the Hh pathway is also thought to promote survival of cancer stem cells, which constitute a particularly chemo- and radio-resistant component of tumors. In preclinical models, XL139 potently inhibits Hh signaling in tumors and significantly slows tumor growth. XL139 was advanced to development compound status in July 2007. As described under Corporate Collaborations Bristol-Myers Squibb 2007 Cancer Collaboration, in January 2008, Bristol-Myers Squibb exercised its option to develop and commercialize XL139, and we exercised our option to co-develop and co-commercialize XL139.

XL413 is a small molecule inhibitor of the serine-threonine kinase CDC7. The function of CDC7 is required for DNA replication to proceed, and its activity is often upregulated in cancer cells. Studies suggest that CDC7 plays a role in regulation of cell cycle checkpoint control and protects tumor cells from apoptotic cell death during replication stress. Therefore, inhibition of CDC7 may have utility in the treatment of a wide variety of cancers, either as a single agent or in combination with DNA damaging agents. XL413 was advanced to development compound status in October 2008. As described under Corporate Collaborations Bristol-Myers Squibb 2007 Cancer Collaboration, in November 2008, Bristol-Myers Squibb exercised its option to develop and commercialize XL413, and we exercised our option to co-develop and co-commercialize XL413.

XL888 is a novel, synthetic inhibitor of HSP90, a chaperone protein that promotes the activity and stability of a range of key regulatory proteins including kinases. The activity of HSP90 is particularly prominent in tumor cells, where it promotes the activity of proteins controlling cell proliferation and survival. Natural product based inhibitors of HSP90 are currently in clinical trials and have shown encouraging signs of efficacy, but their utility is limited by poor pharmacokinetic properties and by their side effect profiles. XL888 inhibits HSP90 with potency comparable to natural product-based inhibitors, but has good oral bioavailability and an improved tolerability profile in preclinical models. In multiple preclinical xenograft tumor models, XL888 exhibits substantial anti-tumor activity at well tolerated doses. XL888 was advanced to development compound status in October 2007, and we filed an IND in October 2008 and initiated a phase 1 clinical trial in November 2008.

We are committed to having preclinical and clinical data from our compounds presented at periodic peer review meetings.

Out-Licensed Compounds

We have out-licensed to third parties for further development and commercialization the following five compounds in preclinical and clinical development:

XL880 is a potent inhibitor of MET and VEGFR2, which play synergistic roles in promoting tumor growth and angiogenesis. Activation or overexpression of MET has been documented as a negative prognostic indicator in patients with various carcinomas and in patients with multiple myeloma, glioma and other solid tumors. Interim data from an ongoing phase 1 trial of XL880 were presented at the 2005 EORTC Symposium and at the 2006 ASCO Annual Meeting. Updated data were reported at the 2006 EORTC Symposium. Data from two phase 1 trials were reported at the 2007 ASCO Annual Meeting. A phase 2 clinical trial of XL880 was initiated in patients with hereditary or sporadic papillary renal cell carcinoma in June 2006, and data from this trial were reported at the 2007 EORTC Symposium and 2008 ASCO Annual Meeting. Another phase 2 trial was initiated in patients with metastatic, poorly differentiated diffuse gastric cancer in December 2006, and data from this trial were reported at the

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2008 ASCO Annual Meeting. Additionally, a phase 2 trial was initiated in head and neck cancer patients in August 2007. As described under Corporate Collaborations GlaxoSmithKline, in December 2007, GlaxoSmithKline exercised its option to further develop and commercialize XL880, and we transferred the XL880 development program to GlaxoSmithKline in the first quarter of 2008.

XL281 specifically targets RAF, which is a cytoplasmic serine/threonine kinase that lies immediately downstream of RAS, and is a key component of the RAS/RAF/MEK/ERK pathway that is frequently activated in human tumors. Activating mutations in B-RAF occur in approximately 60% of melanoma patients, indicating a potentially pivotal role for deregulation of this kinase in the progression of melanoma. XL281 is a potent and highly selective inhibitor of RAF kinases, is orally bioavailable and exhibits substantial efficacy in tumor xenograft models. A phase 1 trial was initiated in April 2007, and preliminary data from this trial were presented at the EORTC Symposium in October 2008. As described under Corporate Collaborations Bristol-Myers Squibb 2008 Cancer Collaboration, in December 2008, we entered into a collaboration agreement with Bristol-Myers Squibb pursuant to which we granted to Bristol-Myers Squibb an exclusive worldwide license to develop and commercialize XL281.

XL652 targets the liver X receptors, or LXR, which modulate genes involved in regulation of lipid and cholesterol homeostasis. Activation of LXR α or LXR β in foam cells in atherosclerotic plaques promotes reverse cholesterol transport and results in marked anti-atherogenic activity in multiple preclinical models of atherosclerosis. However, prototype LXR agonists also activate LXR α in the liver resulting in increased fatty acid synthesis and consequent elevations in hepatic and circulating triglycerides, an unacceptable side effect. XL652 is a novel LXR agonist that effectively reduces atherosclerotic plaques in preclinical models at doses that do not result in triglyceride elevations. XL652 was developed under a collaboration with Bristol-Myers Squibb, which is responsible for all further preclinical and clinical development, regulatory, manufacturing and commercialization activities for the compound. For more information on our LXR collaboration, see Corporate Collaborations Bristol-Myers Squibb LXR Collaboration.

XL550 is a potent, selective, non-steroidal mineralocorticoid receptor, or MR, antagonist that is effective in animal models of hypertension and congestive heart failure. XL550 has shown excellent oral bioavailability and drug metabolism and pharmacokinetic properties in multiple preclinical models and has exhibited a significantly better pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamic profile than existing steroid drugs. In multiple studies in various non-clinical species, XL550 shows potent anti-hypertensive action and anti-hypertrophic action on the heart, lung and kidney. In addition, XL550 shows 50-100 times greater potency vs. eplerenone in various in vivo studies related to hypertension and congestive heart failure in preclinical models. As a novel proprietary non-steroidal MR antagonist, XL550 has the potential to offer highly effective and safe therapeutic approaches for the treatment of hypertension and congestive heart failure. XL550 was licensed to Daiichi Sankyo Company Limited, or Daiichi-Sankyo, for development and commercialization in March 2006. Daiichi-Sankyo is responsible for all further preclinical and clinical development, regulatory, manufacturing and commercialization activities for the compound. See Corporate Collaborations Other Collaborations Daiichi-Sankyo.

FXR Program targets the Farnesoid X Receptor, or FXR, which has been shown to function as a bile acid receptor regulating genes involved in lipid, cholesterol and bile acid homeostasis. We have identified proprietary, potent and selective FXR ligands (compounds that bind to a receptor) that have good oral bioavailability and drug metabolism and pharmacokinetic properties. In rodent models of dyslipidemia, these compounds lowered triglycerides by decreasing triglyceride synthesis and secretion. In addition, they improved the high-density lipoprotein (HDL)/low-density lipoprotein (LDL) ratio and are anti-atherogenic (prevent the formation of lipid deposits in the arteries) in animal models of atherosclerosis. These compounds are also effective in models of cholestasis (a condition in which bile excretion from the liver is blocked), cholesterol gallstones and liver fibrosis. These data suggest that small molecule ligands targeting FXR should function as novel therapeutic agents for

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treating symptoms and disease states associated with metabolic syndrome as well as certain liver disorders. In December 2005, we licensed the FXR program to Wyeth. Wyeth is responsible for all further preclinical and clinical development, regulatory, manufacturing and commercialization activities for the compounds. For information regarding our collaboration with Wyeth, see Corporate Collaborations Other Collaborations Wyeth.

Corporate Collaborations

Based on the strength of our expertise in biology, drug discovery and development, we have established collaborations with leading pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies that allow us to retain economic participation in compounds and support additional development of our pipeline. Our collaborations generally fall into one of two categories: collaborations in which we co-develop compounds with a partner, share development costs and profits from commercialization and may have the right to co-promote products in the United States, and collaborations in which we out-license compounds to a partner for further development and commercialization, have no further unreimbursed cost obligations and are entitled only to receive milestones and royalties from commercialization. Under either form of collaboration, we may also be entitled to license fees, research funding and milestone payments from research results and subsequent product development activities. Many of our collaborations have been structured strategically to provide us with access to technology that may help to advance our internal programs while at the same time enabling us to retain rights to use these technologies in different industries.

Bristol-Myers Squibb

2008 Cancer Collaboration. In December 2008, we entered into a worldwide collaboration with Bristol-Myers Squibb on two of our novel cancer programs: one associated with XL184 and the other associated with XL281. Upon effectiveness of the agreement in December 2008, Bristol-Myers Squibb paid us an upfront cash payment of \$195.0 million for the development and commercialization rights to both programs. Bristol-Myers Squibb is also required to make additional license payments of \$45.0 million in 2009.

We and Bristol-Myers Squibb have agreed to co-develop XL184, which may include a backup program for XL184. The companies will share worldwide (except for Japan) development costs for XL184. We are responsible for 35% of such costs and Bristol-Myers Squibb is responsible for 65% of such costs, except that we are responsible for funding the initial \$100.0 million of combined costs and have the option to defer payments for development costs above certain thresholds. In return, we will share 50% of the commercial profits and losses (including pre-launch commercialization expenses) in the United States and have the option to co-promote XL184 in the United States. We have the right to defer payment for certain early commercialization and other related costs above certain thresholds. We are eligible to receive sales performance milestones of up to \$150.0 million and double-digit royalties on sales on XL184 outside the United States. The clinical development of XL184 is directed by a joint committee. It is anticipated that we will conduct certain clinical development activities for XL184. We may opt out of the co-development for XL184, in which case we would instead be eligible to receive development and regulatory milestones of up to \$295.0 million, double-digit royalties on XL184 product sales worldwide and sales performance milestones. Our co-development and co-promotion rights may be terminated in the event that we have cash reserves below \$80.0 million and we are unable to increase such cash reserves to \$80.0 million or more within 90 days, in which case we would receive development and regulatory milestones, sales milestones and double-digit royalties, instead of sharing product profits on XL184 in the United States. For purposes of the agreement, cash reserves includes our total cash, cash equivalents and investments (excluding any restricted cash), plus the amount then available for borrowing by us under the Facility Agreement dated June 4, 2008 among us, Deerfield Private Design Fund, L.P., Deerfield Private Design International, L.P., Deerfield Partners, L.P. and Deerfield International Limited (collectively, the Deerfield Entities), as the same may be amended from time to time, and any other similar financing arrangements. Our

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co-promotion rights on XL184 in the United States, and possibly our right to share product profits on XL184, may be terminated in the event we undergo certain change of control transactions. Bristol-Myers Squibb may, upon certain prior notice to us, terminate the agreement as to products containing XL184 or XL281. In the event of such termination election, Bristol-Myers Squibb's license relating to such product would terminate and revert to us, and we would receive, subject to certain terms and conditions, licenses from Bristol-Myers Squibb to research, develop and commercialize such products.

Bristol-Myers Squibb received an exclusive worldwide license to develop and commercialize XL281. We will carry out certain clinical trials of XL281 which may include a backup program on XL281. Bristol-Myers Squibb is responsible for funding all future development on XL281, including our activities. We are eligible for development and regulatory milestones of up to \$315.0 million on XL281, sales performance milestones of up to \$150.0 million and double-digit royalties on worldwide sales of XL281.

2007 Cancer Collaboration. In December 2006, we entered into a worldwide collaboration with Bristol-Myers Squibb, which became effective in January 2007, to discover, develop and commercialize novel targeted therapies for the treatment of cancer. We are responsible for discovery and preclinical development of small molecule drug candidates directed against mutually selected targets. In January 2007, Bristol-Myers Squibb made an upfront payment of \$60.0 million to us for which we granted Bristol-Myers Squibb the right to select up to three IND candidates from six future Exelixis compounds.

For each IND candidate selected, we are entitled to receive a \$20.0 million selection milestone from Bristol-Myers Squibb. Once selected, Bristol-Myers Squibb will lead the further development and commercialization of the selected IND candidates. In addition, we have the right to opt in to co-promote the selected IND candidates, in which case we will equally share all development costs and profits in the United States. If we opt-in, we will be responsible for 35% of all development costs related to clinical trials intended to support regulatory approval in both the United States and the rest of the world (except for Japan), with the remaining 65% to be paid by Bristol-Myers Squibb. We have the right to defer payment for certain development costs above certain thresholds. If we do not opt in to co-promote the selected IND candidates, we would be entitled to receive milestones and royalties in lieu of profits from sales in the United States. Outside of the United States, Bristol-Myers Squibb will have primary responsibility for development activities and we will be entitled to receive royalties on product sales. After exercising its co-development option, Bristol-Myers Squibb may, upon notice to us, terminate the agreement as to any product containing or comprising the selected candidate. In the event of such termination election, Bristol-Myers Squibb's license relating to such product would terminate and revert to us, and we would receive, subject to certain terms and conditions, licenses from Bristol-Myers Squibb to research, develop and commercialize certain collaboration compounds that were discovered.

In January 2008 and November 2008, Bristol-Myers Squibb exercised its option under the collaboration to develop and commercialize XL139 and XL413, respectively. Under the terms of the collaboration agreement, the selection of XL139 and XL413 by Bristol-Myers Squibb entitled us to a milestone payment of \$20.0 million each, which we received in February 2008 and December 2008, respectively. In addition, we exercised our option under the collaboration agreement to co-develop and co-commercialize each of XL139 and XL413 in the United States. Bristol-Myers Squibb is leading all global activities with respect to XL139 and XL413. The parties will co-develop and co-commercialize each of XL139 and XL413 in the United States and expect to, subject to exercising our co-promotion option, share those profits 50/50. The parties will share U.S. commercialization expenses 50/50 and we will be responsible for 35% of global (except for Japan) development costs, with the remaining 65% to be paid by Bristol-Myers Squibb. We have the right to defer payment for certain development costs above certain thresholds. We will be entitled to receive double-digit royalties on product sales outside of the United States.

LXR Collaboration. In December 2005, we entered into a collaboration agreement with Bristol-Myers Squibb for the discovery, development and commercialization of novel therapies targeted against LXR, a nuclear hormone receptor implicated in a variety of cardiovascular and metabolic disorders. This agreement became

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effective in January 2006, at which time we granted Bristol-Myers Squibb an exclusive, worldwide license with respect to certain intellectual property primarily relating to compounds that modulate LXR. During the research term, we expect to jointly identify drug candidates with Bristol-Myers Squibb that are ready for IND-enabling studies. After the selection of a drug candidate for further clinical development by Bristol-Myers Squibb, Bristol-Myers Squibb has agreed to be solely responsible for further preclinical development as well as clinical development, regulatory, manufacturing and sales/marketing activities for the selected drug candidate. After Bristol-Myers Squibb's selection, except in certain termination scenarios described below, we would not have rights to reacquire the selected drug candidate.

Under the collaboration agreement, Bristol-Myers Squibb paid us a nonrefundable upfront payment in the amount of \$17.5 million and was obligated to provide research and development funding of \$10.0 million per year for an initial research period of two years. In September 2007, the collaboration was extended at Bristol-Myers Squibb's request through January 12, 2009, and in November 2008, the collaboration was extended at Bristol-Myers Squibb's request through January 12, 2010.

Under the collaboration agreement, Bristol-Myers Squibb is required to pay us development and regulatory milestones of up to \$140.0 million per product for up to two products from the collaboration. In addition, we are also entitled to receive sales milestones and royalties on sales of any products commercialized under the collaboration. In connection with the extension of the collaboration through January 2009, Bristol-Myers Squibb paid us additional research funding of approximately \$7.7 million, and in connection with the extension of the collaboration through January 2010, Bristol-Myers Squibb is obligated to pay us additional research funding totaling approximately \$5.8 million, which is payable in quarterly installments over the additional research term. Bristol-Myers Squibb has the option to terminate the collaboration agreement at any time after January 2008, in which case Bristol-Myers Squibb's payment obligations would cease, its license relating to compounds that modulate LXR would terminate and revert to us, and we would receive, subject to certain terms and conditions, licenses from Bristol-Myers Squibb to research, develop and commercialize certain collaboration compounds that were discovered under the collaboration agreement. In December 2007, we received \$5.0 million for achieving a development milestone.

2001 Cancer Collaboration. In July 2001, we entered into a cancer collaboration agreement with Bristol-Myers Squibb. Under the terms of the collaboration, Bristol-Myers Squibb paid us a \$5.0 million upfront license fee and agreed to provide us with \$3.0 million per year in research funding for a minimum of three years. In December 2003, the cancer collaboration was extended until January 2007, at which time Bristol-Myers Squibb elected to continue the collaboration until July 2009. The goal of the extension was to increase the total number and degree of validation of cancer targets that we will deliver to Bristol-Myers Squibb. Each company will maintain the option to obtain exclusive worldwide rights to equal numbers of validated targets arising from the collaboration. Under the terms of the extended collaboration, Bristol-Myers Squibb provided us with an upfront payment and agreed to provide increased annual research funding and milestones on certain cancer targets arising from the collaboration that progress through specified stages of validation. We will also be entitled to receive milestones on compounds in the event of successful clinical and regulatory events and royalties on commercialized products.

Genentech

MEK Collaboration. In December 2006, we entered into a worldwide co-development agreement with Genentech for the development and commercialization of XL518, a small-molecule inhibitor of MEK. Genentech paid upfront and milestone payments of \$25.0 million in December 2006 and \$15.0 million in January 2007 upon signing of the co-development agreement and with the submission of an IND for XL518. We initiated a phase 1 clinical trial of XL518 in the first quarter of 2007, and enrollment in this trial is ongoing.

Under the terms of the co-development agreement, we are responsible for developing XL518 through the end of a phase 1 clinical trial, and Genentech has the option to co-develop XL518, which Genentech may

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exercise after receipt of certain phase 1 data from us. In March 2008, Genentech exercised its option, triggering a payment to us of \$3.0 million, which we received in April 2008. We will continue to be responsible for the phase 1 clinical trial until the point that a maximum tolerated dose, or MTD, is determined. After MTD is achieved, we will be required grant to Genentech an exclusive worldwide revenue-bearing license to XL518 and Genentech will be responsible for completing the phase 1 clinical trial and subsequent clinical development. We reached the MTD for XL518 in early 2009 and expect to transfer the compound to Genentech in March 2009. Another \$7.0 million is due to us when a phase 2 program is initiated by Genentech. Genentech will be responsible for all further development costs of XL518 and we will share equally in the U.S. commercialization costs. On an annual basis, we are entitled to an initial equal share of U.S. profits and losses, which will decrease as sales increase, and we are also entitled to royalties on non-U.S. sales. We also have the option to co-promote in the United States. Genentech has the right to terminate the agreement without cause at any time. If Genentech terminates the co-development agreement without cause, all licenses that were granted to Genentech under the agreement terminate and revert to us. Additionally, we would receive, subject to certain conditions, licenses from Genentech to research, develop and commercialize reverted product candidates.

Cancer Collaboration. In May 2005, we established a collaboration agreement with Genentech to discover and develop therapeutics for the treatment of cancer, inflammatory diseases, and tissue growth and repair. Under the terms of the collaboration agreement, we granted to Genentech a license to certain intellectual property. Genentech paid us a nonrefundable upfront license payment and was obligated to provide research and development funding over the three-year research term, totaling \$16.0 million.

Under the collaboration agreement, Genentech has primary responsibility in the field of cancer for research and development activities as well as rights for commercialization of any products. In the fields of inflammatory disease and in the fields of tissue growth and repair, we initially have primary responsibility for research activities. In May 2008, the research term under the collaboration expired, at which time we had the option to elect to share a portion of the costs and profits associated with the development, manufacturing and commercialization of products in one of the fields. In June 2008, we elected to share a portion of the costs and profits associated with the development, manufacturing and commercialization of a therapeutic to treat tissue growth and repair. For all products under the collaboration agreement that were not elected as cost or profit sharing products, we may receive milestone and royalty payments.

GlaxoSmithKline

In October 2002, we established a collaboration with GlaxoSmithKline to discover and develop novel therapeutics in the areas of vascular biology, inflammatory disease and oncology. The collaboration involved three agreements: (1) a product development and commercialization agreement (2) a stock purchase and stock issuance agreement; and (3) a loan and security agreement. During the term of the collaboration, we received \$65.0 million in upfront and milestone payments, \$85.0 million in research and development funding and loans in the principal amount of \$85.0 million. In connection with the collaboration, GlaxoSmithKline purchased a total of three million shares of our common stock.

In October 2008, the development term under the collaboration concluded as scheduled. Under the terms of the collaboration, GlaxoSmithKline had the right to select up to two of the compounds in the collaboration for further development and commercialization. GlaxoSmithKline selected XL880 and had the right to choose one additional compound from a pool of compounds, which consisted of XL184, XL281, XL228, XL820 and XL844 as of the end of the development term.

In July 2008, we achieved proof-of-concept for XL184 and submitted the corresponding data report to GlaxoSmithKline. In October 2008, GlaxoSmithKline notified us in writing that it decided not to select XL184 for further development and commercialization and that it waived its right to select XL281, XL228, XL820 and XL844 for further development and commercialization. As a result, Exelixis retained the rights to develop,

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commercialize, and/or license all of the compounds, subject to payment to GSK of a 3% royalty on net sales of any product incorporating XL184. As described under Bristol-Myers Squibb 2008 Cancer Collaboration, in December 2008, we entered into a worldwide collaboration with Bristol-Myers Squibb for XL184 and XL281. We discontinued development of XL820 and XL844 in December 2008.

The \$85.0 million loan we received from GlaxoSmithKline bears interest at a rate of 4.0% per annum and is secured by certain intellectual property, technology and equipment created or utilized pursuant to the collaboration. Principal and accrued interest under the loan becomes due in three annual installments, beginning on October 27, 2009. Repayment of all or any of the amounts advanced to us under this agreement may, at our election, be in the form of our common stock at fair market value, subject to certain conditions. As of December 31, 2008, the aggregate principal and interest outstanding under the loan was \$102.2 million.

Other Collaborations

Symphony Evolution. In June 2005, we entered into a series of related agreements, including a purchase option agreement, providing for the financing of the clinical development of XL647 and two of our other product candidates, XL784 and XL999. In December 2006, we amended the purchase option agreement. Pursuant to the agreements, Symphony Evolution, Inc., or SEI, and its investors have invested \$80.0 million to fund the clinical development of XL647, XL784 and XL999, and we have licensed to SEI our intellectual property rights related to these product candidates. SEI is a wholly owned subsidiary of Symphony Evolution Holdings LLC, or Holdings, which provided \$40.0 million in funding to SEI on June 9, 2005 and an additional \$40.0 million on June 9, 2006. We continue to be primarily responsible for the development of XL647, XL784 and XL999 in accordance with specified development plans and related development budgets.

Pursuant to the agreements, we received an exclusive purchase option that gives us the right to acquire all of the equity of SEI, thereby allowing us to reacquire XL647, XL784 and XL999. Under our amended purchase option agreement with SEI, we cannot repurchase a single product candidate without also repurchasing the other two product candidates. The amended purchase option allows us, at our sole election, to pay up to 100% of the purchase option exercise price in shares of our common stock. The purchase option is exercisable at any time until the earlier of June 9, 2009 or the 90th day after the date on which SEI provides us with financial statements showing cash and cash equivalents of less than \$5.0 million at an exercise price equal to the sum of: (1) the total amount of capital invested in SEI by Holdings; and (2) an amount equal to 25% per year on such funded capital (with respect to the initial funded capital, compounded from June 9, 2005 and, with respect to the second draw amount, compounded from June 9, 2006).

In 2007, we discontinued the development of XL999 and completed the phase 2 trial for XL784; the phase 2 clinical development program for XL647 is ongoing. We are in discussions with SEI regarding the future clinical development of XL647 and XL784 and related funding. We do not intend to further develop XL647 or XL784 on our own or invest any further Exelixis resources in the development of these compounds. In light of the foregoing, in the absence of a partner, we do not anticipate using our own funds or common stock to exercise the purchase option.

Pursuant to the agreements, we issued to Holdings two five-year warrants to purchase 1.5 million shares of our common stock at \$8.90 per share. In addition, should the purchase option expire unexercised until the earlier of June 9, 2009, or the 90th day after SEI provides us with financial statements showing cash and cash equivalents of less than \$5.0 million, we are obligated to issue to Holdings an additional five-year warrant to purchase 500,000 shares of our common stock at a price per share equal to 125% of the market price of our common stock at the time of expiration of the purchase option.

Wyeth. In December 2005, we entered into a license agreement with Wyeth Pharmaceuticals, a division of Wyeth, related to compounds targeting FXR, a nuclear hormone receptor implicated in a variety of metabolic and liver disorders. Under the terms of the agreement, we granted to Wyeth an exclusive, worldwide license with

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respect to certain intellectual property primarily relating to compounds that modulate FXR. Wyeth paid us a nonrefundable upfront payment in the amount of \$10.0 million and we received \$4.5 million in November 2006 for achieving a development milestone. In November 2007, Wyeth paid us \$2.5 million for achieving a second development milestone. Wyeth is obligated to pay additional development and commercialization milestones of up to \$140.5 million as well as royalties on sales of any products commercialized by Wyeth under the agreement. Wyeth will be responsible for all further preclinical and clinical development, regulatory, manufacturing and commercialization activities for the compounds. Subject to certain terms and conditions, Wyeth has the option to terminate the license agreement.

Daiichi-Sankyo. In March 2006, we entered into a collaboration agreement with Daiichi-Sankyo for the discovery, development and commercialization of novel therapies targeted against MR, a nuclear hormone receptor implicated in a variety of cardiovascular and metabolic diseases. Under the terms of the agreement, we granted to Daiichi-Sankyo an exclusive, worldwide license to certain intellectual property primarily relating to compounds that modulate MR. Daiichi-Sankyo is responsible for all further preclinical and clinical development, regulatory, manufacturing and commercialization activities for the compounds and we do not have rights to reacquire such compounds, except as described below.

Daiichi-Sankyo paid us a nonrefundable upfront payment in the amount of \$20.0 million and is obligated to provide research and development funding of \$3.8 million over a 15-month research term. In June 2007, our collaboration agreement with Daiichi-Sankyo was amended to extend the research term by six months over which Daiichi-Sankyo was required to provide \$1.5 million in research and development funding. In November 2007, the parties decided not to further extend the research term. For each product from the collaboration, we are also entitled to receive payments upon attainment of pre-specified development, regulatory and commercialization milestones. In addition, we are also entitled to receive royalties on any sales of certain products commercialized under the collaboration. Daiichi-Sankyo may terminate the agreement upon 90 days written notice in which case Daiichi-Sankyo's payment obligations would cease, its license relating to compounds that modulate MR would terminate and revert to us, and we would receive, subject to certain terms and conditions, licenses from Daiichi-Sankyo to research, develop and commercialize compounds that were discovered under the collaboration.

Manufacturing and Raw Materials

We currently do not have manufacturing capabilities necessary to enable us to produce materials for our clinical trials. Raw materials and supplies required for the production of our product candidates are generally available from multiple suppliers. However, in some instances materials are available only from one supplier. In those cases where raw materials are only available through one supplier, we manage supplies, to the extent feasible, by ordering raw materials in advance of scheduled needs. However, clinical trial schedules may be delayed due to interruptions of raw material supplies.

Government Regulation

The following section contains some general background information regarding the regulatory environment and processes affecting our industry and is designed to illustrate in general terms the nature of our business and the potential impact of government regulations on our business. It is not intended to be comprehensive or complete. Depending on specific circumstances, the information below may or may not apply to us or any of our product candidates. In addition, the information is not necessarily a description of activities that we have undertaken in the past or will undertake in the future. The regulatory context in which we operate is complex and constantly changing.

The FDA and comparable regulatory agencies in state and local jurisdictions and in foreign countries impose substantial requirements upon the clinical development, manufacture and marketing of pharmaceutical

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products. These agencies and other federal, state and local entities regulate research and development activities and the testing, manufacture, quality control, safety, effectiveness, labeling, storage, record keeping, approval, advertising and promotion of our products.

The process required by the FDA before product candidates may be marketed in the United States generally involves the following:

preclinical laboratory and animal tests;

submission of an IND, which must become effective before clinical trials may begin;

adequate and well-controlled human clinical trials to establish the safety and efficacy of the proposed drug candidate for its intended use;

pre-approval inspection of manufacturing facilities and selected clinical investigators; and

FDA approval of a new drug application (NDA), or NDA supplement, for an approval of a new indication if the product is already approved for another indication.

The testing and approval process requires substantial time, effort and financial resources.

Prior to commencing the first clinical trial with a product candidate, we must submit an IND to the FDA. The IND automatically becomes effective 30 days after receipt by the FDA, unless the FDA, within the 30-day time period, raises concerns or questions about the conduct of the clinical trial. In such a case, the IND sponsor and the FDA must resolve any outstanding concerns before the clinical trial can begin. Our submission of an IND may not result in FDA authorization to commence a clinical trial. A separate submission to the existing IND must be made for each successive clinical trial conducted during product development, and the FDA must grant permission for each clinical trial to start and continue. Further, an independent institutional review board for each medical center proposing to conduct the clinical trial must review and approve the plan for any clinical trial before it commences at that center. Regulatory authorities or an institutional review board or the sponsor may suspend a clinical trial at any time on various grounds, including a finding that the subjects or patients are being exposed to an unacceptable health risk.

For purposes of NDA approval, human clinical trials are typically conducted in three sequential phases that may overlap.

Phase 1 Studies are initially conducted in a limited patient population to test the product candidate for safety, dosage tolerance, absorption, metabolism, distribution and excretion in healthy humans or patients.

Phase 2 Studies are conducted with groups of patients afflicted with a specified disease in order to provide enough data to evaluate the preliminary efficacy, optimal dosages and expanded evidence of safety. Multiple phase 2 clinical trials may be conducted by the sponsor to obtain information prior to beginning larger and more expensive phase 3 clinical trials. In some cases, a sponsor may decide to run what is referred to as a phase 2b evaluation, which is a second, confirmatory phase 2 trial that could, if positive, serve as a pivotal trial in the approval of a product candidate.

Phase 3 When phase 2 evaluations demonstrate that a dosage range of the product is effective and has an acceptable safety profile, phase 3 trials are undertaken in large patient populations to further evaluate dosage, to provide statistically significant evidence of clinical efficacy and to further test for safety in an expanded patient population at multiple clinical trial sites.

The FDA may require, or companies may pursue, additional clinical trials after a product is approved. These so-called phase 4 studies may be made a condition to be satisfied after a drug receives approval. The results of phase 4 studies can confirm the effectiveness of a product

candidate and can provide important safety information to augment the FDA's voluntary adverse drug reaction reporting system. The results of product

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development, preclinical studies and clinical trials are submitted to the FDA as part of an NDA, or as part of an NDA supplement. The FDA may deny approval of an NDA or NDA supplement if the applicable regulatory criteria are not satisfied, or it may require additional clinical data and/or an additional pivotal phase 3 clinical trial. Even if such data are submitted, the FDA may ultimately decide that the NDA or NDA supplement does not satisfy the criteria for approval. Once issued, the FDA may withdraw product approval if ongoing regulatory standards are not met or if safety problems occur after the product reaches the market. In addition, the FDA may require testing and surveillance programs to monitor the effect of approved products which have been commercialized, and the FDA has the power to prevent or limit further marketing of a product based on the results of these post-marketing programs.

Satisfaction of FDA requirements or similar requirements of state, local and foreign regulatory agencies typically takes several years and the actual time required may vary substantially based upon the type, complexity and novelty of the product or disease. Government regulation may delay or prevent marketing of product candidates or new diseases for a considerable period of time and impose costly procedures upon our activities. The FDA or any other regulatory agency may not grant approvals for new indications for our product candidates on a timely basis, if at all. Success in early stage clinical trials does not ensure success in later stage clinical trials. Data obtained from clinical activities is not always conclusive and may be susceptible to varying interpretations, which could delay, limit or prevent regulatory approval. Even if a product candidate receives regulatory approval, the approval may be significantly limited to specific disease states, patient populations and dosages. Further, even after regulatory approval is obtained, later discovery of previously unknown problems with a product may result in restrictions on the product or even complete withdrawal of the product from the market.

Any products manufactured or distributed by us pursuant to FDA approvals are subject to continuing regulation by the FDA, including record-keeping requirements and reporting of adverse experiences with the drug. Drug manufacturers and their subcontractors are required to register their establishments with the FDA and certain state agencies, and are subject to periodic unannounced inspections by the FDA and certain state agencies for compliance with good manufacturing practices, which impose certain procedural and documentation requirements upon us and our third-party manufacturers. We cannot be certain that we or our present or future suppliers will be able to comply with the good manufacturing practices regulations and other FDA regulatory requirements. If our present or future suppliers are not able to comply with these requirements, the FDA may halt our clinical trials, require us to recall a drug from distribution, or withdraw approval of the NDA for that drug.

The FDA closely regulates the marketing and promotion of drugs. A company can make only those claims relating to safety and efficacy that are approved by the FDA. Failure to comply with these requirements can result in adverse publicity, warning letters, corrective advertising and potential civil and criminal penalties. Physicians may prescribe legally available drugs for uses that are not described in the product's labeling and that differ from those tested by us and approved by the FDA. Such off-label uses are common across medical specialties. Physicians may believe that such off-label uses are the best treatment for many patients in varied circumstances. The FDA does not regulate the behavior of physicians in their choice of treatments. The FDA does, however, restrict manufacturer's communications on the subject of off-label use.

The FDA's policies may change and additional government regulations may be enacted which could prevent or delay regulatory approval of our product candidates or approval of new diseases for our product candidates. We cannot predict the likelihood, nature or extent of adverse governmental regulation that might arise from future legislative or administrative action, either in the United States or abroad.

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Competition

There are many companies focused on the development of small molecules and antibodies for diseases including cancer and metabolic and cardiovascular disorders. Our potential competitors include major pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies. Many of our potential competitors have significantly more financial, technical and other resources than we do, which may allow them to have a competitive advantage. Any products that we may develop or discover are likely to be in highly competitive markets. Many of our competitors may succeed in developing products that may render our products and those of our collaborators obsolete or noncompetitive.

We believe that our ability to successfully compete will depend on, among other things:

efficacy, safety and reliability of our product candidates;

timing and scope of regulatory approval;

the speed at which we develop product candidates;

our ability to complete preclinical testing and clinical development and obtaining regulatory approvals for product candidates;

our ability to manufacture and sell commercial quantities of a product to the market;

obtaining reimbursement for product use in approved indications;

product acceptance by physicians and other health care providers;

quality and breadth of our technology;

skills of our employees and our ability to recruit and retain skilled employees;

protection of our intellectual property; and

availability of substantial capital resources to fund development and commercialization activities.

Research and Development Expenses

Research and development expenses consist primarily of personnel expenses, laboratory supplies, consulting and facilities costs. Research and development expenses were \$257.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, compared to \$225.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2007 and \$185.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2006.

Revenues from Significant Collaborators

In 2008, we derived 46%, 37% and 17% of our revenues from Bristol-Myers Squibb, GlaxoSmithKline and Genentech, respectively.

Proprietary Rights

We have obtained licenses from various parties that give us rights to technologies that we deem to be necessary or desirable for our research and development. These licenses (both exclusive and non-exclusive) may require us to pay royalties as well as upfront and milestone payments.

Patents extend for varying periods according to the date of patent filing or grant and the legal term of patents in the various countries where patent protection is obtained. The actual protection afforded by a patent, which can vary from country to country, depends on the type of patent, the scope of its coverage and the availability of legal remedies in the country.

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While trade secret protection is an essential element of our business and we have taken security measures to protect our proprietary information and trade secrets, we cannot give assurance that our unpatented proprietary technology will afford us significant commercial protection. We seek to protect our trade secrets by entering into confidentiality agreements with third parties, employees and consultants. Our employees and consultants are also required to sign agreements obligating them to assign to us their interests in intellectual property arising from their work for us. All employees sign an agreement not to engage in any conflicting employment or activity during their employment with us and not to disclose or misuse our confidential information. However, it is possible that these agreements may be breached or invalidated, and if so, there may not be an adequate corrective remedy available. Accordingly, we cannot ensure that employees, consultants or third parties will not breach the confidentiality provisions in our contracts, infringe or misappropriate our trade secrets and other proprietary rights or that measures we are taking to protect our proprietary rights will be adequate.

In the future, third parties may file claims asserting that our technologies or products infringe on their intellectual property. We cannot predict whether third parties will assert such claims against us or against the licensors of technology licensed to us, or whether those claims will harm our business. If we are forced to defend ourselves against such claims, whether they are with or without merit and whether they are resolved in favor of, or against, our licensors or us, we may face costly litigation and the diversion of management's attention and resources. As a result of such disputes, we may have to develop costly non-infringing technology or enter into licensing agreements. These agreements, if necessary, may be unavailable on terms acceptable to us, or at all.

Employees

As of December 31, 2008, after giving effect to the restructuring we implemented in November 2008, we had 676 full-time employees worldwide, 240 of whom held Ph.D. and/or M.D. degrees, most of whom were engaged in full-time research and development activities. None of our employees are represented by a labor union, and we consider our employee relations to be good.

Available Information

We were incorporated in Delaware in November 1994 as Exelixis Pharmaceuticals, Inc., and we changed our name to Exelixis, Inc. in February 2000.

We maintain a site on the worldwide web at www.exelixis.com; however, information found on our website is not incorporated by reference into this report. We make available free of charge on or through our website our SEC filings, including our annual report on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K and amendments to those reports filed or furnished pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act as soon as reasonably practicable after we electronically file such material with, or furnish it to, the SEC. Further, copies of our filings with the SEC are available at the SEC's Public Reference Room at 100 F Street, NE, Washington, D.C. 20549. Information on the operation of the Public Reference Room can be obtained by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330. The SEC maintains a site on the worldwide web that contains reports, proxy and information statements and other information regarding our filings at www.sec.gov.

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ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

In addition to the factors discussed elsewhere in this report and our other reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, the following are important factors that could cause actual results or events to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statements made by us or on our behalf. The risks and uncertainties described below are not the only ones facing the company. Additional risks and uncertainties not presently known to us or that we currently deem immaterial also may impair our business operations. If any of the following risks or such other risks actually occurs, our business could be harmed.

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

If additional capital is not available to us, we would be forced to delay, reduce or eliminate our product development programs or commercialization efforts and we may breach our financial covenants.

We will need to raise additional capital to:

fund our operations and clinical trials;

continue our research and development efforts; and

commercialize our product candidates, if any such candidates receive regulatory approval for commercial sale.

As of December 31, 2008, we had \$284.2 million in cash and cash equivalents and short-term and long-term marketable securities, which included investments held by SEI of \$14.7 million and restricted cash and investments of \$4.0 million. We anticipate that our current cash and cash equivalents, short-term and long-term marketable securities, investments held by SEI, funds available under the Facility Agreement with the Deerfield Entities, and other funding that we expect to receive from collaborators, which assumes a moderate level of business development activity, will enable us to maintain our operations for a period of at least 12 months following the filing date of this report. Our goal is to be able to operate independently of the capital markets for a substantial period of time. However, our future capital requirements will be substantial and will depend on many factors that may require us to use available capital resources significantly earlier than we currently anticipate. These factors include:

repayment of our loan from GlaxoSmithKline In October 2002, we entered into a collaboration with GlaxoSmithKline, to discover and develop novel therapeutics in the areas of vascular biology, inflammatory disease and oncology. As part of the collaboration, we entered into a loan and security agreement with GlaxoSmithKline, pursuant to which we borrowed \$85.0 million for use in our efforts under the collaboration. The loan bears interest at a rate of 4.0% per annum and is secured by certain intellectual property, technology and equipment created or utilized pursuant to the collaboration. Principal and accrued interest under the loan becomes due in three annual installments, beginning on October 27, 2009. Repayment of all or any of the amounts advanced to us under this agreement may, at our election, be in the form of our common stock at fair market value, subject to certain conditions. As of December 31, 2008, the aggregate principal and interest outstanding under our GlaxoSmithKline loan was \$102.2 million. Following the conclusion on October 27, 2008 of the development term under our collaboration with GlaxoSmithKline, we are no longer eligible to receive selection milestone payments from GlaxoSmithKline to credit against outstanding loan amounts, and in the event the market price for our common stock is depressed, we may not be able to repay the loan in full using shares of our common stock due to restrictions in the agreement on the number of shares we may issue. In addition, the issuance of shares of our common stock to repay the loan may result in significant dilution to our stockholders. As a result, we may need to obtain additional funding, including from funds available under the Facility Agreement with the Deerfield Entities, to satisfy our repayment obligations, including the payment that is due on October 27, 2009. There can be no assurance that we will have sufficient funds to repay amounts outstanding under the loan when due or that we will satisfy the conditions to our ability to repay the loan in shares of our common stock.

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whether and when we draw funds under our Facility Agreement with the Deerfield Entities In June 2008, we entered into the Facility Agreement with the Deerfield Entities pursuant to which the Deerfield Entities agreed to loan to us up to \$150.0 million, subject to certain conditions. We may draw down on the facility in \$15.0 million increments at any time until December 2009. The outstanding principal and interest under the loan, if any, is due by June 4, 2013, and, at our option, can be repaid at any time with shares of our common stock, subject to certain restrictions, or in cash. Interest under the loan does not accrue until we draw down on the facility, at which time interest will begin to accrue at a rate of 6.75% per annum compounded annually on the outstanding principal amount of the facility. The Deerfield Entities also have limited rights to accelerate repayment of the loan upon certain changes of control of Exelixis or an event of default. Pursuant to the Facility Agreement, we paid the Deerfield Entities a one time transaction fee of \$3.8 million, or 2.5% of the loan facility, and we are obligated to pay an annual commitment fee of \$3.4 million, or 2.25% of the loan facility, payable quarterly. If we draw down under the Facility Agreement, we would be required to issue to the Deerfield Entities additional warrants to purchase shares of our common stock. If we draw down under the Facility Agreement, there is no assurance that the conditions to our ability to repay the loan in shares of our common stock would be satisfied at the time that any outstanding principal and interest under the loan is due, in which case we would be obligated to repay the loan in cash, or that events permitting acceleration of the loan will not occur, in which event we would be required to repay any outstanding principal and interest sooner than anticipated;

the progress and scope of our collaborative and independent clinical trials and other research and development projects, including with respect to XL184, our most advanced asset. We expect to particularly focus our later stage development efforts on XL184, which is being studied in a variety of tumor types, with the goal of rapidly commercializing the compound. As described under Corporate Collaborations Bristol-Myers Squibb 2008 Cancer Collaboration, in December 2008, we entered into a worldwide co-development collaboration with Bristol-Myers Squibb for the development and commercialization of XL184. The companies will share worldwide (except for Japan) development costs for XL184. We are responsible for 35% of such costs and Bristol-Myers Squibb is responsible for 65% of such costs, except that we are responsible to fund the initial \$100 million of combined costs and have the option to defer payments for development costs above certain thresholds. In return, we will share 50% of the commercial profits and losses (including pre-launch commercialization expenses) in the United States and have the option to co-promote XL184 in the United States. We have the right to defer payment for certain early commercialization and other related costs above certain thresholds. During the term of the collaboration, so long as we have not opted out of the co-development of XL184, there may be periods during which Bristol-Myers Squibb will partially reimburse us for certain research and development expenses, and other periods during which we will owe Bristol-Myers Squibb for research and development expenses that Bristol-Myers Squibb incurred on joint development projects, less amounts reimbursable to us by Bristol-Myers Squibb on these projects. On an annual basis, to the extent that net research and development funding payments are received from Bristol-Myers Squibb, these payments will be presented as collaboration revenue. In annual periods when net research and development funding payments are payable to Bristol-Myers Squibb, these payments will be presented as collaboration cost sharing expense. Generally, the direction of cash flows will depend on the level of development activity by either party, which may change during the development term. Our capital requirements will be impacted by the level of our expenses for the development activity conducted by us and the degree to which we will be required to make payments to, or we will receive payments from, Bristol-Myers Squibb. If we opt out of the co-development of XL184, we would have no further unreimbursed cost obligations;

the level of payments received under existing collaboration agreements, licensing agreements and other arrangements as well as our ability to enter into new collaboration agreements, licensing agreements and other arrangements that provide additional payments;

our ability to control costs;

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our ability to remain in compliance with, or amend or cause to be waived, financial covenants contained in agreements with third parties;

the amount of our cash and cash equivalents and marketable securities that serve as collateral for bank lines of credit;

future clinical trial results;

our need to expand our product and clinical development efforts;

our ability to share the costs of our clinical development efforts with third parties;

the cost and timing of regulatory approvals;

the cost of clinical and research supplies of our product candidates;

the effect of competing technological and market developments;

the filing, maintenance, prosecution, defense and enforcement of patent claims and other intellectual property rights;

the cost of any acquisitions of or investments in businesses, products and technologies; and

the cost and timing of establishing or contracting for sales, marketing and distribution capabilities.

One or more of these factors or changes to our current operating plan may require us to use available capital resources significantly earlier than we anticipate. If our capital resources are insufficient to meet future capital requirements, we will have to raise additional funds. We may seek to raise funds through the sale of equity or debt securities or through external borrowings. In addition, we may enter into strategic partnerships for the development and commercialization of our compounds. However, we may be unable to raise sufficient additional capital when we need it, on favorable terms or at all. The sale of equity or convertible debt securities in the future may be dilutive to our stockholders, and debt-financing arrangements may require us to pledge certain assets and enter into covenants that would restrict certain business activities or our ability to incur further indebtedness, and may contain other terms that are not favorable to our stockholders or us. If we are unable to obtain adequate funds on reasonable terms, we may be required to curtail operations significantly or obtain funds by entering into financing, supply or collaboration agreements on unattractive terms or we may be required to relinquish rights to technology or product candidates or to grant licenses on terms that are unfavorable to us.

We will have to obtain additional funding in order to stay in compliance with financial covenants contained in agreements with third parties. For example, as part of our collaboration with GlaxoSmithKline, we entered into the loan and security agreement, which, as amended, contains financial covenants pursuant to which our working capital (the amount by which our current assets exceed our current liabilities as defined by the agreement, which excludes restricted cash and deferred revenue, but includes amounts available for borrowing under the Facility Agreement with the Deerfield Entities) must not be less than \$25.0 million and our cash and investments (total cash, cash equivalents and investments as defined by the agreement, which excludes restricted cash) must not be less than \$50.0 million. As of December 31, 2008, our working capital was \$321.0 million (including \$150.0 million available for borrowing under the Facility Agreement) and our cash and investments were \$280.2 million. If we were to default on the financial covenants under the loan and security agreement, GlaxoSmithKline may, among other remedies, declare immediately due and payable all obligations under the loan and security agreement. Outstanding borrowings and accrued interest under the loan and security agreement totaled \$102.2 million at December 31, 2008. Principal and accrued interest under the loan becomes due in three annual installments beginning on October 27, 2009. In addition, if our cash and cash equivalents and marketable securities on the last day of any

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calendar quarter are less than \$75.0 million, then we would be in default under the Facility Agreement with the Deerfield Entities, and the Deerfield Entities would have the right, among other remedies, to cancel our right to request disbursements and declare immediately due and payable any amounts accrued or payable under the Facility Agreement. If our cash reserves fall below \$80.0 million and we

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are unable to increase such cash reserves to \$80.0 million or more within 90 days, our co-development and co-promotion rights with respect to XL184 under our 2008 collaboration agreement with Bristol-Myers Squibb may be terminated. Cash reserves for purposes of our 2008 collaboration agreement with Bristol-Myers Squibb includes our total cash, cash equivalents and investments (excluding any restricted cash), plus the amount then available for borrowing by us under the Facility Agreement with the Deerfield Entities, as the same may be amended from time to time, and any other similar financing arrangements. If we cannot raise additional capital in order to remain in compliance with our financial covenants or if we are unable to renegotiate such covenants and the lender exercises its remedies under the agreement, we would not be able to operate under our current operating plan.

We have a history of net losses. We expect to continue to incur net losses, and we may not achieve or maintain profitability.

We have incurred net losses since inception, including a net loss of \$162.9 million for year ended December 31, 2008. As of that date, we had an accumulated deficit of \$954.5 million. We expect our losses in 2009 to increase as compared to 2008 and anticipate negative operating cash flow for the foreseeable future. We have not yet completed the development, including obtaining regulatory approval, of any of our pharmaceutical product candidates and, consequently, have not generated revenues from the sale of pharmaceutical products. Except for revenues associated with the transgenic mouse business of our former German subsidiary, Artemis Pharmaceuticals, GmbH, or Artemis, our only revenues to date are license revenues and revenues under contracts with our partners. In November 2007, we sold 80.1% of our ownership interest in Artemis. The amount of our net losses will depend, in part, on the rate of growth, if any, in our license and contract revenues and on the level of our expenses. These losses have had and will continue to have an adverse effect on our stockholders' equity and working capital. Our research and development expenditures and general and administrative expenses have exceeded our revenues to date, and we expect to spend significant additional amounts to fund research and development in order to enhance our technologies and undertake product development. We currently have numerous product candidates in various stages of clinical development and we anticipate filing additional IND applications for additional product candidates within the next 12 months. As a result, we expect to continue to incur substantial operating expenses, and, consequently, we will need to generate significant additional revenues to achieve profitability. Because of the numerous risks and uncertainties associated with developing drugs, we are unable to predict the extent of any future losses or when we will become profitable, if at all. Even if we do increase our revenues and achieve profitability, we may not be able to maintain or increase profitability.

We may not realize the expected benefits of our initiatives to control costs.

Managing costs is a key element of our business strategy. Consistent with this element of our strategy, in November 2008 we implemented a restructuring that resulted in the reduction of approximately 10% of our workforce. We anticipate that we will incur some level of restructuring charges through the end of 2009 as we continue to implement this restructuring.

If we experience excessive unanticipated inefficiencies or incremental costs in connection with restructuring activities, such as unanticipated inefficiencies caused by reducing headcount, we may be unable to meaningfully realize cost savings and we may incur expenses in excess of what we anticipate. Either of these outcomes could prevent us from meeting our goal of being able to operate independently of the capital markets for a substantial period of time, and could adversely impact our results of operations or financial condition.

Global credit and financial market conditions could negatively impact the value of our current portfolio of cash equivalents or short-term investments and our ability to meet our financing objectives.

Our cash and cash equivalents are maintained in highly liquid investments with remaining maturities of 90 days or less at the time of purchase. Our short-term and long-term investments consist primarily of readily marketable debt securities with remaining maturities of more than 90 days at the time of purchase. While as of

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the date of this filing, we are not aware of any downgrades, material losses, or other significant deterioration in the fair value of our cash equivalents, short-term investments, or long-term investments since December 31, 2008, no assurance can be given that further deterioration in conditions of the global credit and financial markets would not negatively impact our current portfolio of cash equivalents or investments or our ability to meet our financing objectives.

Risks Related to Development of Product Candidates

Clinical testing of our product candidates is a lengthy, costly, complex and uncertain process and may fail to demonstrate safety and efficacy.

Clinical trials are inherently risky and may reveal that our product candidates are ineffective or have unacceptable toxicity or other side effects that may significantly decrease the likelihood of regulatory approval. The results of preliminary studies do not necessarily predict clinical or commercial success, and later-stage clinical trials may fail to confirm the results observed in earlier-stage trials or preliminary studies. Although we have established timelines for manufacturing and clinical development based on existing knowledge of our compounds in development and industry metrics, we may not be able to meet those timelines.

We may experience numerous unforeseen events during, or as a result of, clinical testing that could delay or prevent commercialization of our product candidates, including:

our product candidates may not prove to be efficacious or may cause harmful side effects;

negative or inconclusive clinical trial results may require us to conduct further testing or to abandon projects that we had expected to be promising;

we or our competitors may subsequently discover other compounds that we believe show significantly improved safety or efficacy compared to our product candidates;

patient registration or enrollment in our clinical testing may be lower than we anticipate, resulting in the delay or cancellation of clinical testing; and

regulators or institutional review boards may not authorize, delay, suspend or terminate clinical research for various reasons, including noncompliance with regulatory requirements or their determination that participating patients are being exposed to unacceptable health risks.

If any of these events were to occur and, as a result, we were to have significant delays in or termination of our clinical testing, our expenses could increase or our ability to generate revenue from the affected product candidates could be impaired, either of which could adversely impact our financial results.

We have limited experience in conducting clinical trials and may not be able to rapidly or effectively continue the further development of our compounds or meet current or future requirements identified based on our discussions with the FDA. We do not know whether our planned clinical trials will begin on time, will be completed on schedule, or at all, will be sufficient for registration of these compounds or will result in approvable products.

Completion of clinical trials may take several years or more, but the length of time generally varies substantially according to the type, complexity, novelty and intended use of a product candidate. The duration and the cost of clinical trials may vary significantly over the life of a project as a result of factors relating to the clinical trial, including, among others:

the number of patients that ultimately participate in the clinical trial;

the duration of patient follow-up that is appropriate in view of the results;

the number of clinical sites included in the trials; and

the length of time required to enroll suitable patient subjects.

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Any delay or termination described above could limit our ability to generate revenues, cause us to incur additional expense and cause the market price of our common stock to decline significantly.

Risks Related to Our Relationships with Third Parties

We are dependent upon our collaborations with major companies. If we are unable to achieve milestones, develop products or renew or enter into new collaborations, our revenues may decrease and our activities may fail to lead to commercialized products.

We have derived substantially all of our revenues to date from collaborative research and development agreements. Revenues from research and development collaborations depend upon continuation of the collaborations, the achievement of milestones and royalties we earn from any future products developed from the collaborative research. If we are unable to successfully achieve milestones or our collaborators fail to develop successful products, we will not earn the revenues contemplated under such collaborative agreements. In addition, some of our collaborations are exclusive and preclude us from entering into additional collaboration arrangements with other parties in the area or field of exclusivity. Future collaborations may require us to relinquish some important rights, such as marketing and distribution rights.

If any of these agreements is not renewed or is terminated early, whether unilaterally or by mutual agreement, or if we are unable to enter into new collaboration agreements on commercially acceptable terms, our revenues and product development efforts could suffer. Our agreements with Bristol-Myers Squibb, Genentech, Daiichi-Sanko and Wyeth contain early termination provisions. In addition, from time to time we review and assess certain aspects of our collaborations, partnerships and agreements and may amend or terminate, either by mutual agreement or pursuant to any applicable early termination provisions, such collaborations, partnerships or agreements if we deem them to be no longer in our economic or strategic interests. We may not be able to enter into new collaboration agreements on similar or superior financial terms to offset the loss of revenue from the termination or expiration of any of our existing arrangements, and the timing of new collaboration agreements may have a material adverse effect on our ability to continue to successfully meet our objectives.

Conflicts with our collaborators could jeopardize the outcome of our collaboration agreements and our ability to commercialize products.

We are conducting proprietary research programs in specific disease, therapeutic modality and agricultural product areas that are not covered by our collaboration agreements. Our pursuit of opportunities in pharmaceutical and agricultural markets could result in conflicts with our collaborators in the event that any of our collaborators takes the position that our internal activities overlap with those areas that are exclusive to our collaboration agreements, and we should be precluded from such internal activities. Moreover, disagreements with our collaborators could develop over, among other things, development plans and budgets, the parties' respective research and development activities and rights to our intellectual property. In addition, our collaboration agreements may have provisions that give rise to disputes regarding the respective rights and obligations of the parties, including the rights of collaborators with respect to our internal programs and disease area research. Any conflict with or among our collaborators could lead to the termination of our collaborative agreements, delay collaborative activities, impair our ability to renew agreements or obtain future collaboration agreements or result in litigation or arbitration and would negatively impact our relationship with existing collaborators. If our collaborators fail to develop or commercialize any of our compounds or product candidates, we would not receive any future royalties or milestone payments for such compounds or product candidates. We have limited or no control over the resources that our collaborators may choose to devote to our joint efforts. Our collaborators may breach or terminate their agreements with us or fail to perform their contractual obligations. Also, our collaboration agreements may be subject to early termination by mutual agreement. Further, our collaborators may elect not to develop products arising out of our collaboration arrangements, may experience financial difficulties, may undertake business combinations or significant changes in business strategy that

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adversely affect their willingness or ability to complete their obligations under any arrangement with us or may fail to devote sufficient resources to the development, manufacture, marketing or sale of such products. Certain of our collaborators could also become competitors in the future. If our collaborators develop competing products, preclude us from entering into collaborations with their competitors, fail to obtain necessary regulatory approvals, terminate their agreements with us prematurely or fail to devote sufficient resources to the development and commercialization of our products, our product development efforts could be delayed or otherwise adversely effected and may fail to lead to commercialized products.

If third parties upon which we rely do not perform as contractually required or expected, we may not be able to obtain regulatory approval for or commercialize our product candidates.

We do not have the ability to independently conduct clinical trials for our product candidates, and we must rely on third parties we do not control such as contract research organizations, medical institutions, clinical investigators and contract laboratories to conduct our clinical trials. If these third parties do not successfully carry out their contractual duties or regulatory obligations or meet expected deadlines, if the third parties need to be replaced or if the quality or accuracy of the data they obtain is compromised due to the failure to adhere to our clinical protocols or regulatory requirements or for other reasons, our preclinical development activities or clinical trials may be extended, delayed, suspended or terminated, and we may not be able to obtain regulatory approval for or successfully commercialize our product candidates.

We lack the capability to manufacture compounds for clinical trials and rely on third parties to manufacture our product candidates, and we may be unable to obtain required material in a timely manner, at an acceptable cost or at a quality level required to receive regulatory approval.

We currently do not have the manufacturing capabilities or experience necessary to enable us to produce materials for our clinical trials. We rely on collaborators and third-party contractors to produce our compounds for preclinical and clinical testing. These suppliers must comply with applicable regulatory requirements, including the FDA's current Good Manufacturing Practices, or GMP. Our current and anticipated future dependence upon these third-party manufacturers may adversely affect our future profit margins and our ability to develop and commercialize product candidates on a timely and competitive basis. These manufacturers may not be able to produce material on a timely basis or manufacture material at the quality level or in the quantity required to meet our development timelines and applicable regulatory requirements. We may not be able to maintain or renew our existing third-party manufacturing arrangements, or enter into new arrangements, on acceptable terms, or at all. Our third-party manufacturers could terminate or decline to renew our manufacturing arrangements based on their own business priorities, at a time that is costly or inconvenient for us. If we are unable to contract for the production of materials in sufficient quantity and of sufficient quality on acceptable terms, our clinical trials may be delayed. Delays in preclinical or clinical testing could delay the filing of our INDs and the initiation of clinical trials.

Our third-party manufacturers may not be able to comply with the GMP regulations, other applicable FDA regulatory requirements or similar regulations applicable outside of the United States. Additionally, if we are required to enter into new supply arrangements, we may not be able to obtain approval from the FDA of any alternate supplier in a timely manner, or at all, which could delay or prevent the clinical development and commercialization of any related product candidates. Failure of our third-party manufacturers or us to obtain approval from the FDA or to comply with applicable regulations could result in sanctions being imposed on us, including fines, civil penalties, delays in or failure to grant marketing approval of our product candidates, injunctions, delays, suspension or withdrawal of approvals, license revocation, seizures or recalls of products and compounds, operating restrictions and criminal prosecutions, any of which could have a significant adverse affect on our business.

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Materials necessary to manufacture some of our compounds currently under development may not be available on commercially reasonable terms, or at all, which may delay our development and commercialization of these compounds.

Some of the materials necessary for the manufacture of our compounds under development may, from time to time, be available either in limited quantities, or from a limited number of manufacturers, or both. Our contract manufacturers need to obtain these materials for our clinical trials and, potentially, for commercial distribution when and if we obtain marketing approval for these compounds. Suppliers may not sell us these materials at the time we need them or on commercially reasonable terms. If we are unable to obtain the materials needed to conduct our clinical trials, product testing and potential regulatory approval could be delayed, adversely affecting our ability to develop the product candidates. Similarly, if we are unable to obtain critical manufacturing materials after regulatory approval has been obtained for a product candidate, the commercial launch of that product candidate could be delayed or there could be a shortage in supply, which could materially affect our ability to generate revenues from that product candidate. If suppliers increase the price of manufacturing materials, the price for one or more of our products may increase, which may make our products less competitive in the marketplace. If it becomes necessary to change suppliers for any of these materials or if any of our suppliers experience a shutdown or disruption at the facilities used to produce these materials, due to technical, regulatory or other reasons, it could harm our ability to manufacture our products.

Risks Related to Regulatory Approval of Our Product Candidates

Our product candidates are subject to a lengthy and uncertain regulatory process that may not result in the necessary regulatory approvals, which could adversely affect our ability to commercialize products.

Our product candidates, as well as the activities associated with their research, development and commercialization, are subject to extensive regulation by the FDA and other regulatory agencies in the United States and by comparable authorities in other countries. Failure to obtain regulatory approval for a product candidate would prevent us from commercializing that product candidate. We have not received regulatory approval to market any of our product candidates in any jurisdiction and have only limited experience in preparing and filing the applications necessary to gain regulatory approvals. The process of obtaining regulatory approvals is expensive, and often takes many years, if approval is obtained at all, and can vary substantially based upon the type, complexity and novelty of the product candidates involved. Before a new drug application can be filed with the FDA, the product candidate must undergo extensive clinical trials, which can take many years and may require substantial expenditures. Any clinical trial may fail to produce results satisfactory to the FDA. For example, the FDA could determine that the design of a clinical trial is inadequate to produce reliable results. The regulatory process also requires preclinical testing, and data obtained from preclinical and clinical activities are susceptible to varying interpretations, which could delay, limit or prevent regulatory approval. In addition, delays or rejections may be encountered based upon changes in regulatory policy for product approval during the period of product development and regulatory agency review. Changes in regulatory approval policy, regulations or statutes or the process for regulatory review during the development or approval periods of our product candidates may cause delays in the approval or rejection of an application. Even if the FDA or a comparable authority in another country approves a product candidate, the approval may impose significant restrictions on the indicated uses, conditions for use, labeling, advertising, promotion, marketing and/or production of such product and may impose ongoing requirements for post-approval studies, including additional research and development and clinical trials. These agencies also may impose various civil or criminal sanctions for failure to comply with regulatory requirements, including withdrawal of product approval.

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Risks Related to Commercialization of Products

The commercial success of any products that we may develop will depend upon the degree of market acceptance of our products among physicians, patients, health care payors, private health insurers and the medical community.

Our ability to commercialize any products that we may develop will be highly dependent upon the extent to which these products gain market acceptance among physicians, patients, health care payors, such as Medicare and Medicaid, private health insurers, including managed care organizations and group purchasing organizations, and the medical community. If these products do not achieve an adequate level of acceptance, we may not generate adequate product revenues, if at all, and we may not become profitable. The degree of market acceptance of our product candidates, if approved for commercial sale, will depend upon a number of factors, including:

the effectiveness, or perceived effectiveness, of our products in comparison to competing products;

the existence of any significant side effects, as well as their severity in comparison to any competing products;

potential advantages over alternative treatments;

the ability to offer our products for sale at competitive prices;

relative convenience and ease of administration;

the strength of marketing and distribution support; and

sufficient third-party coverage or reimbursement.

If we are unable to establish sales and marketing capabilities or enter into agreements with third parties to market and sell our product candidates, we may be unable to generate product revenues.

We have no experience as a company in the sales, marketing and distribution of pharmaceutical products and do not currently have a sales and marketing organization. Developing a sales and marketing force would be expensive and time-consuming, could delay any product launch, and we may never be able to develop this capacity. To the extent that we enter into arrangements with third parties to provide sales, marketing and distribution services, our product revenues are likely to be lower than if we market and sell any products that we develop ourselves. If we are unable to establish adequate sales, marketing and distribution capabilities, independently or with others, we may not be able to generate product revenues.

If we are unable to obtain adequate coverage and reimbursement from third-party payors for any products that we may develop, our revenues and prospects for profitability will suffer.

Our ability to commercialize any products that we may develop will be highly dependent on the extent to which coverage and reimbursement for our products will be available from third-party payors, including governmental payors, such as Medicare and Medicaid, and private health insurers, including managed care organizations and group purchasing organizations. Many patients will not be capable of paying themselves for some or all of the products that we may develop and will rely on third-party payors to pay for, or subsidize, their medical needs. If third-party payors do not provide coverage or reimbursement for any products that we may develop, our revenues and prospects for profitability will suffer. In addition, even if third-party payors provide some coverage or reimbursement for our products, the availability of such coverage or reimbursement for prescription drugs under private health insurance and managed care plans often varies based on the type of contract or plan purchased.

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A primary trend in the United States health care industry is toward cost containment. In December 2003, President Bush signed into law legislation creating a prescription drug benefit program for Medicare recipients. The new prescription drug program may have the effect of reducing the prices that we are able to charge for

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products we develop and sell through plans under the program. The new prescription drug program may also cause third-party payors other than the federal government, including the states under the Medicaid program, to discontinue coverage for products we develop or to lower the price that they will pay. In addition, members of the United States Congress have stated their desire to reduce the government's cost for reimbursements of prescription drugs by amending this legislation.

State Medicaid programs generally have outpatient prescription drug coverage, subject to state regulatory restrictions, for the population eligible for Medicaid. The availability of coverage or reimbursement for prescription drugs under private health insurance and managed care plans varies based on the type of contract or plan purchased.

Another development that may affect the pricing of drugs is proposed congressional action regarding drug reimportation into the United States. The Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003 gives discretion to the Secretary of Health and Human Services to allow drug reimportation into the United States under some circumstances from foreign countries, including countries where the drugs are sold at a lower price than in the United States. Proponents of drug reimportation may attempt to pass legislation, which would allow direct reimportation under certain circumstances. If legislation or regulations were passed allowing the reimportation of drugs, it could decrease the price we receive for any products that we may develop, thereby negatively affecting our revenues and prospects for profitability.

In addition, in some foreign countries, particularly the countries in the European Union, the pricing of prescription pharmaceuticals is subject to governmental control. In these countries, price negotiations with governmental authorities can take six to twelve months or longer after the receipt of regulatory marketing approval for a product. To obtain reimbursement and/or pricing approval in some countries, we may be required to conduct a clinical trial that compares the cost effectiveness of our product candidates or products to other available therapies. The conduct of such a clinical trial could be expensive and result in delays in the commercialization of our product candidates. Third-party payors are challenging the prices charged for medical products and services, and many third-party payors limit reimbursement for newly approved health care products. In particular, third-party payors may limit the indications for which they will reimburse patients who use any products that we may develop. Cost-control initiatives could decrease the price we might establish for products that we may develop, which would result in lower product revenues to us.

Our competitors may develop products and technologies that make our products and technologies obsolete.

The biotechnology industry is highly fragmented and is characterized by rapid technological change. In particular, the area of kinase-targeted therapies is a rapidly evolving and competitive field. We face, and will continue to face, intense competition from biotechnology and pharmaceutical companies, as well as academic research institutions, clinical reference laboratories and government agencies that are pursuing research activities similar to ours. Some of our competitors have entered into collaborations with leading companies within our target markets, including some of our existing collaborators. In addition, significant delays in the development of our product candidates could allow our competitors to bring products to market before us, which would impair our ability to commercialize our product candidates. Our future success will depend upon our ability to maintain a competitive position with respect to technological advances. Any products that are developed through our technologies will compete in highly competitive markets. Further, our competitors may be more effective at using their technologies to develop commercial products. Many of the organizations competing with us have greater capital resources, larger research and development staff and facilities, more experience in obtaining regulatory approvals and more extensive product manufacturing and marketing capabilities. As a result, our competitors may be able to more easily develop technologies and products that would render our technologies and products, and those of our collaborators, obsolete and noncompetitive. In addition, there may be product candidates of which we are not aware at an earlier stage of development that may compete with our product candidates.

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We may not be able to manufacture our product candidates in commercial quantities, which would prevent us from commercializing our product candidates.

To date, our product candidates have been manufactured in small quantities for preclinical and clinical trials. If any of these product candidates are approved by the FDA or other regulatory agencies for commercial sale, we will need to manufacture them in larger quantities. We may not be able to successfully increase the manufacturing capacity, whether in collaboration with third-party manufacturers or on our own, for any of our product candidates in a timely or economic manner, or at all. Significant scale-up of manufacturing may require additional validation studies, which the FDA must review and approve. If we are unable to successfully increase the manufacturing capacity for a product candidate, the regulatory approval or commercial launch of that product candidate may be delayed or there may be a shortage in supply. Our product candidates require precise, high-quality manufacturing. The failure to achieve and maintain these high manufacturing standards, including the incidence of manufacturing errors, could result in patient injury or death, product recalls or withdrawals, delays or failures in product testing or delivery, cost overruns or other problems that could seriously hurt our business.

Risks Related to Our Intellectual Property

If we are unable to adequately protect our intellectual property, third parties may be able to use our technology, which could adversely affect our ability to compete in the market.

Our success will depend in part upon our ability to obtain patents and maintain adequate protection of the intellectual property related to our technologies and products. The patent positions of biotechnology companies, including our patent position, are generally uncertain and involve complex legal and factual questions. We will be able to protect our intellectual property rights from unauthorized use by third parties only to the extent that our technologies are covered by valid and enforceable patents or are effectively maintained as trade secrets. We will continue to apply for patents covering our technologies and products as and when we deem appropriate. However, these applications may be challenged or may fail to result in issued patents. In addition, because patent applications can take many years to issue, there may be currently pending applications, unknown to us, which may later result in issued patents that cover the production, manufacture, commercialization or use of our product candidates. Our existing patents and any future patents we obtain may not be sufficiently broad to prevent others from practicing our technologies or from developing competing products. Furthermore, others may independently develop similar or alternative technologies or design around our patents. In addition, our patents may be challenged or invalidated or may fail to provide us with any competitive advantages, if, for example, others were the first to invent or to file patent applications for these inventions.

The laws of some foreign countries do not protect intellectual property rights to the same extent as the laws of the United States, and many companies have encountered significant problems in protecting and defending such rights in foreign jurisdictions. Many countries, including certain countries in Europe, have compulsory licensing laws under which a patent owner may be compelled to grant licenses to third parties (for example, the patent owner has failed to work the invention in that country or the third party has patented improvements). In addition, many countries limit the enforceability of patents against government agencies or government contractors. In these countries, the patent owner may have limited remedies, which could materially diminish the value of the patent. Compulsory licensing of life-saving drugs is also becoming increasingly popular in developing countries either through direct legislation or international initiatives. Such compulsory licenses could be extended to include some of our product candidates, which could limit our potential revenue opportunities. Moreover, the legal systems of certain countries, particularly certain developing countries, do not favor the aggressive enforcement of patent and other intellectual property protection, which makes it difficult to stop infringement. We rely on trade secret protection for our confidential and proprietary information. We have taken security measures to protect our proprietary information and trade secrets, but these measures may not provide adequate protection. While we seek to protect our proprietary information by entering into confidentiality agreements with employees, collaborators and consultants, we cannot assure you that our proprietary information

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will not be disclosed, or that we can meaningfully protect our trade secrets. In addition, our competitors may independently develop substantially equivalent proprietary information or may otherwise gain access to our trade secrets.

Litigation or third-party claims of intellectual property infringement could require us to spend substantial time and money and adversely affect our ability to develop and commercialize products.

Our commercial success depends in part upon our ability to avoid infringing patents and proprietary rights of third parties and not to breach any licenses that we have entered into with regard to our technologies. Other parties have filed, and in the future are likely to file, patent applications covering genes and gene fragments, techniques and methodologies relating to model systems and products and technologies that we have developed or intend to develop. If patents covering technologies required by our operations are issued to others, we may have to obtain licenses from third parties, which may not be available on commercially reasonable terms, or at all, and may require us to pay substantial royalties, grant a cross-license to some of our patents to another patent holder or redesign the formulation of a product candidate so that we do not infringe third-party patents, which may be impossible to obtain or could require substantial time and expense.

Third parties may accuse us of employing their proprietary technology without authorization. In addition, third parties may obtain patents that relate to our technologies and claim that use of such technologies infringes on their patents. Regardless of their merit, such claims could require us to incur substantial costs, including the diversion of management and technical personnel, in defending ourselves against any such claims or enforcing our patents. In the event that a successful claim of infringement is brought against us, we may be required to pay damages and obtain one or more licenses from third parties. We may not be able to obtain these licenses at a reasonable cost, or at all. Defense of any lawsuit or failure to obtain any of these licenses could adversely affect our ability to develop and commercialize products.

We may be subject to damages resulting from claims that we, our employees or independent contractors have wrongfully used or disclosed alleged trade secrets of their former employers.

Many of our employees and independent contractors were previously employed at universities, other biotechnology or pharmaceutical companies, including our competitors or potential competitors. We may be subject to claims that these employees, independent contractors or we have inadvertently or otherwise used or disclosed trade secrets or other proprietary information of their former employers. Litigation may be necessary to defend against these claims. Even if we are successful in defending against these claims, litigation could result in substantial costs and divert management's attention. If we fail in defending such claims, in addition to paying money claims, we may lose valuable intellectual property rights or personnel. A loss of key research personnel and/or their work product could hamper or prevent our ability to commercialize certain product candidates, which could severely harm our business.

Risks Related to Employees, Growth and Location

The loss of key personnel or the inability to retain and, where necessary, attract additional personnel could impair our ability to expand our operations.

We are highly dependent upon the principal members of our management and scientific staff, the loss of whose services might adversely impact the achievement of our objectives and the continuation of existing collaborations. Also, we do not currently have sufficient clinical development personnel to fully execute our business plan. Retaining and, where necessary, recruiting qualified clinical and scientific personnel will be critical to support activities related to advancing our clinical and preclinical development programs, and supporting our collaborative arrangements and our internal proprietary research and development efforts. Competition is intense for experienced clinical personnel, and we may be unable to retain or recruit clinical

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personnel with the expertise or experience necessary to allow us to pursue collaborations, develop our products and core technologies or expand our operations to the extent otherwise possible. Further, all of our employees are employed at will and, therefore, may leave our employment at any time.

Our collaborations with outside scientists may be subject to restriction and change.

We work with scientific and clinical advisors and collaborators at academic and other institutions that assist us in our research and development efforts. These advisors and collaborators are not our employees and may have other commitments that limit their availability to us. Although these advisors and collaborators generally agree not to do competing work, if a conflict of interest between their work for us and their work for another entity arises, we may lose their services. In such a circumstance, we may lose work performed by them, and our development efforts with respect to the matters on which they were working maybe significantly delayed or otherwise adversely affected. In addition, although our advisors and collaborators sign agreements not to disclose our confidential information, it is possible that valuable proprietary knowledge may become publicly known through them.

Difficulties we may encounter managing our growth may divert resources and limit our ability to successfully expand our operations.

We have experienced a period of rapid and substantial growth that has placed, and our anticipated growth in the future will continue to place, a strain on our research, development, administrative and operational infrastructure. We will need to continue to manage multiple locations and additional relationships with various collaborative partners, suppliers and other third parties. Our ability to manage our operations and growth effectively requires us to continue to improve our reporting systems and procedures as well as our operational, financial and management controls. In addition, rules and regulations implemented by the Securities and Exchange Commission have increased the internal control and regulatory requirements under which we operate. We may not be able to successfully implement improvements to our management information and control systems in an efficient or timely manner to meet future requirements.

Our headquarters are located near known earthquake fault zones, and the occurrence of an earthquake or other disaster could damage our facilities and equipment, which could harm our operations.

Our headquarters are located in South San Francisco, California, and therefore our facilities are vulnerable to damage from earthquakes. We currently do not carry earthquake insurance. We are also vulnerable to damage from other types of disasters, including fire, floods, power loss, communications failures, terrorism and similar events since any insurance we may maintain may not be adequate to cover our losses. If any disaster were to occur, our ability to operate our business at our facilities could be seriously, or potentially completely, impaired. In addition, the unique nature of our research activities could cause significant delays in our programs and make it difficult for us to recover from a disaster. Accordingly, an earthquake or other disaster could materially and adversely harm our ability to conduct business.

Security breaches may disrupt our operations and harm our operating results.

Our network security and data recovery measures may not be adequate to protect against computer viruses, break-ins, and similar disruptions from unauthorized tampering with our computer systems. The misappropriation, theft, sabotage or any other type of security breach with respect to any of our proprietary and confidential information that is electronically stored, including research or clinical data, could have a material adverse impact on our business, operating results and financial condition. Additionally, any break-in or trespass of our facilities that results in the misappropriation, theft, sabotage or any other type of security breach with respect to our proprietary and confidential information, including research or clinical data, or that results in damage to our research and development equipment and assets could have a material adverse impact on our business, operating results and financial condition.

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Risks Related to Environmental and Product Liability

We use hazardous chemicals and radioactive and biological materials in our business. Any claims relating to improper handling, storage or disposal of these materials could be time consuming and costly.

Our research and development processes involve the controlled use of hazardous materials, including chemicals and radioactive and biological materials. Our operations produce hazardous waste products. We cannot eliminate the risk of accidental contamination or discharge and any resultant injury from these materials. Federal, state and local laws and regulations govern the use, manufacture, storage, handling and disposal of hazardous materials. We may face liability for any injury or contamination that results from our use or the use by third parties of these materials, and such liability may exceed our insurance coverage and our total assets. Compliance with environmental laws and regulations may be expensive, and current or future environmental regulations may impair our research, development and production efforts.

In addition, our collaborators may use hazardous materials in connection with our collaborative efforts. In the event of a lawsuit or investigation, we could be held responsible for any injury caused to persons or property by exposure to, or release of, these hazardous materials used by these parties. Further, we may be required to indemnify our collaborators against all damages and other liabilities arising out of our development activities or products produced in connection with these collaborations.

We face potential product liability exposure far in excess of our limited insurance coverage.

We may be held liable if any product we or our collaborators develop causes injury or is found otherwise unsuitable during product testing, manufacturing, marketing or sale. Regardless of merit or eventual outcome, product liability claims could result in decreased demand for our product candidates, injury to our reputation, withdrawal of patients from our clinical trials, substantial monetary awards to trial participants and the inability to commercialize any products that we may develop. These claims might be made directly by consumers, health care providers, pharmaceutical companies or others selling or testing our products. We have obtained limited product liability insurance coverage for our clinical trials in the amount of \$10.0 million per occurrence and \$10.0 million in the aggregate. However, our insurance may not reimburse us or may not be sufficient to reimburse us for expenses or losses we may suffer. Moreover, if insurance coverage becomes more expensive, 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. If we obtain marketing approval for any of our product candidates, we intend to expand our insurance coverage to include the sale of commercial products, but we may be unable to obtain commercially reasonable product liability insurance for any products approved for marketing. On occasion, juries have awarded large judgments in class action lawsuits for claims based on drugs that had unanticipated side effects. In addition, the pharmaceutical and biotechnology industries, in general, have been subject to significant medical malpractice litigation. A successful product liability claim or series of claims brought against us could harm our reputation and business and would decrease our cash reserves.

Risks Related to Our Common Stock

We expect that our quarterly results of operations will fluctuate, and this fluctuation could cause our stock price to decline, causing investor losses.

Our quarterly operating results have fluctuated in the past and are likely to fluctuate in the future. A number of factors, many of which we cannot control, could subject our operating results and stock price to volatility, including:

recognition of upfront licensing or other fees or revenue;

payments of non-refundable upfront or licensing fees, or payment for cost-sharing expenses, to third parties;

acceptance of our technologies and platforms;

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the success rate of our discovery efforts leading to milestone payments and royalties;

the introduction of new technologies or products by our competitors;

the timing and willingness of collaborators to commercialize our products;

our ability to enter into new collaborative relationships;

the termination or non-renewal of existing collaborations;

the timing and amount of expenses incurred for clinical development and manufacturing of our product candidates;

the impairment of acquired goodwill and other assets; and

general and industry-specific economic conditions that may affect our collaborators' research and development expenditures.

A large portion of our expenses, including expenses for facilities, equipment and personnel, are relatively fixed in the short term. If our revenues decline or do not grow as anticipated due to the expiration or termination of existing contracts, our failure to obtain new contracts or our inability to meet milestones or because of other factors, we may not be able to correspondingly reduce our operating expenses. Failure to achieve anticipated levels of revenues could therefore significantly harm our operating results for a particular fiscal period.

Due to the possibility of fluctuations in our revenues and expenses, we believe that quarter-to-quarter comparisons of our operating results are not a good indication of our future performance. As a result, in some future quarters, our operating results may not meet the expectations of securities analysts and investors, which could result in a decline in the price of our common stock.

Our stock price may be extremely volatile.

The trading price of our common stock has been highly volatile, and we believe the trading price of our common stock will remain highly volatile and may fluctuate substantially due to factors such as the following, many of which we cannot control:

adverse results or delays in clinical trials;

announcement of FDA approval or non-approval, or delays in the FDA review process, of our or our collaborators' product candidates or those of our competitors or actions taken by regulatory agencies with respect to our, our collaborators' or our competitors' clinical trials;

the announcement of new products by us or our competitors;

quarterly variations in our or our competitors' results of operations;

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conflicts or litigation with our collaborators;

litigation, including intellectual property infringement and product liability lawsuits, involving us;

failure to achieve operating results projected by securities analysts;

changes in earnings estimates or recommendations by securities analysts;

financing transactions;

developments in the biotechnology or pharmaceutical industry;

sales of large blocks of our common stock or sales of our common stock by our executive officers, directors and significant stockholders;

departures of key personnel or board members;

developments concerning current or future collaborations;

FDA or international regulatory actions;

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third-party reimbursement policies;

acquisitions of other companies or technologies;

disposition of any of our subsidiaries, technologies or compounds; and

general market conditions and other factors, including factors unrelated to our operating performance or the operating performance of our competitors.

These factors, as well as general economic, political and market conditions, may materially adversely affect the market price of our common stock. As with the stock of many other public companies, the market price of our common stock has been particularly volatile during the recent period of upheaval in the capital markets and world economy. This excessive volatility may continue for an extended period of time following the filing date of this report.

In the past, following periods of volatility in the market price of a company's securities, securities class action litigation has often been instituted. A securities class action suit against us could result in substantial costs and divert management's attention and resources, which could have a material and adverse effect on our business.

We are exposed to risks associated with acquisitions.

We have made, and may in the future make, acquisitions of, or significant investments in, businesses with complementary products, services and/or technologies. Acquisitions involve numerous risks, including, but not limited to:

difficulties and increased costs in connection with integration of the personnel, operations, technologies and products of acquired companies;

diversion of management's attention from other operational matters;

the potential loss of key employees;

the potential loss of key collaborators;

lack of synergy, or the inability to realize expected synergies, resulting from the acquisition; and

acquired intangible assets becoming impaired as a result of technological advancements or worse-than-expected performance of the acquired company.

Mergers and acquisitions are inherently risky, and the inability to effectively manage these risks could materially and adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

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

If our stockholders sell substantial amounts of our common stock (including shares issued upon the exercise of options and warrants and shares issued under our employee stock purchase plan) in the public market, the market price of our common stock could fall. These sales also might make it more difficult for us to sell equity or equity-related securities in the future at a time and price that we deem appropriate.

Some of our existing stockholders can exert control over us, and their interests could conflict with the best interests of our other stockholders.

Due to their combined stock holdings, our officers, directors and principal stockholders (stockholders holding more than 5% of our common stock), acting together, may be able to exert significant influence over all matters requiring stockholder approval, including the election of directors and approval of significant corporate

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transactions. In addition, this concentration of ownership may delay or prevent a change in control of our company, even when a change may be in the best interests of our stockholders. In addition, the interests of these stockholders may not always coincide with our interests as a company or the interests of other stockholders. Accordingly, these stockholders could cause us to enter into transactions or agreements that would not be widely viewed as beneficial.

Anti-takeover provisions in our charter documents and under Delaware law could make an acquisition of us, which may be beneficial to our stockholders, more difficult and may prevent or deter attempts by our stockholders to replace or remove our current management.

Provisions in our corporate charter and bylaws may discourage, delay or prevent an acquisition of our company, a change in control, or attempts by our stockholders to replace or remove members of our current Board of Directors. Because our Board of Directors is responsible for appointing the members of our management team, these provisions could in turn affect any attempt by our stockholders to replace current members of our management team. These provisions include:

a classified Board of Directors;

a prohibition on actions by our stockholders by written consent;

the inability of our stockholders to call special meetings of stockholders;

the ability of our Board of Directors to issue preferred stock without stockholder approval, which could be used to institute a poison pill that would work to dilute the stock ownership of a potential hostile acquirer, effectively preventing acquisitions that have not been approved by our Board of Directors;

limitations on the removal of directors; and

advance notice requirements for director nominations and stockholder proposals.

Moreover, because we are incorporated in Delaware, we are governed by the provisions of Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, which prohibits a person who owns in excess of 15% of our outstanding voting stock from merging or combining with us for a period of three years after the date of the transaction in which the person acquired in excess of 15% of our outstanding voting stock, unless the merger or combination is approved in a prescribed manner.

ITEM 1B. UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS

Not applicable.

ITEM 2. PROPERTIES

We currently lease an aggregate of 436,957 square feet of office and laboratory facilities. In California, we currently lease 401,098 square feet in our South San Francisco and San Diego locations. The South San Francisco location, which currently is comprised of six buildings totaling 367,773 square feet, is covered by four lease agreements. The first two leases covering three buildings for a total of 179,964 square feet expire in 2017, with two five-year options to extend their respective terms prior to expiration. The third lease covering two buildings for a total of 116,063 square feet expires in 2018. A fourth lease covers a portion of one building in which we occupy 71,746 square feet that commenced in May 2008 and expires in 2015, with one three-year option to extend the term prior to expiration. Under the terms of this lease, we have the right to rent all of the remaining 57,775 rentable square feet of the building. This expansion right expires on December 31, 2009. If we exercise our right to lease the entire building, we will have the option to extend the lease for an additional ten years. In our San Diego location, we lease 33,325

square feet under a month-to-month lease, with a nine-month termination notice.

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In Portland, Oregon, we lease 20,505 square feet of office and laboratory space. The lease expires in July 2010 and we have the option to extend the lease for two one-year periods. We lease an additional 14,999 square feet of office and warehouse space in Portland, Oregon. The lease for such space expires in September 2013 but we may terminate the lease in July 2010, July 2011 and July 2012. We also have the option to extend the lease for an additional five years. We also lease a 15-acre farm in Woodburn, Oregon. Greenhouse capacity at the farm currently totals 50,000 square feet. We previously owned the farm but sold it to Agrigentic, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Dow Chemical Company, in September 2007. We are leasing the farm in connection with a contract research agreement between us and Agrigentic, and the lease expires upon termination or expiration of the contract research agreement.

In Guilford, Connecticut, we lease 3,000 square feet of office space, under a month-to-month lease, with a six-month termination notice. The lease commenced in January 2008.

We believe that our leased facilities have sufficient space to accommodate our current needs and also provide for the expansion of our operations for the near term.

ITEM 3. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

We are not currently a party to any material legal proceedings. We may from time to time become a party to various legal proceedings arising in the ordinary course of business.

ITEM 4. SUBMISSION OF MATTERS TO A VOTE OF SECURITY HOLDERS

None.

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Our common stock has traded on the Nasdaq Global Select Market (formerly the Nasdaq National Market) under the symbol EXEL since April 11, 2000. The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated, the high and low intraday sales prices for our common stock as reported by the Nasdaq Global Select Market:

	Common Stock Price	
	High	Low
Quarter ended January 2, 2009	\$ 6.30	\$ 2.11
Quarter ended September 26, 2008	\$ 7.35	\$ 4.64
Quarter ended June 27, 2008	\$ 8.15	\$ 5.00
Quarter ended March 28, 2008	\$ 8.95	\$ 4.81
Quarter ended December 28, 2007	\$ 12.29	\$ 7.82
Quarter ended September 28, 2007	\$ 12.37	\$ 9.40
Quarter ended June 29, 2007	\$ 12.77	\$ 9.92
Quarter ended March 30, 2007	\$ 11.74	\$ 8.67

On February 27, 2009, the last reported sale price on the Nasdaq Global Select Market for our common stock was \$4.32 per share.

 Holders

As of February 27, 2009, there were approximately 631 stockholders of record of our common stock.

 Dividends

Since inception, we have not paid dividends on our common stock. We currently intend to retain all future earnings, if any, for use in our business and currently do not plan to pay any cash dividends in the foreseeable future. Any future determination to pay dividends will be at the discretion of our Board of Directors.

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This performance graph shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities under that Section and shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any filing of the company under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

The following graph compares, for the five year period ended December 31, 2008, the cumulative total stockholder return for our common stock, the Nasdaq Stock Market (U.S. companies) Index, or the Nasdaq Market Index, and the Nasdaq Biotech Index. The graph assumes that \$100 was invested on December 31, 2003 in each of the common stock of the company, the Nasdaq Market Index and the Nasdaq Biotech Index and assumes reinvestment of any dividends. The stock price performance on the following graph is not necessarily indicative of future stock price performance.

	12/31/03	03/31/04	06/30/04	09/30/04	12/31/04	03/31/05	06/30/05
Exelixis, Inc.	100	121	143	114	135	96	105
Nasdaq Market Index	100	100	102	95	109	100	103
Nasdaq Biotech Index	100	107	105	99	106	90	95
	09/30/05	12/31/05	03/31/06	06/30/06	09/30/06	12/31/06	03/31/07
Exelixis, Inc.	109	134	170	143	124	128	141
Nasdaq Market Index	107	110	117	108	113	121	121
Nasdaq Biotech Index	108	109	116	103	104	110	107
	06/30/07	09/30/07	12/31/07	03/31/08	06/30/08	09/30/08	12/31/08
Exelixis, Inc.	172	150	122	96	72	89	74
Nasdaq Market Index	130	135	133	113	116	109	81
Nasdaq Biotech Index	111	118	116	106	110	119	102

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The following selected consolidated financial information has been derived from our audited consolidated financial statements. The financial information as of December 31, 2008 and 2007 and for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2008 are derived from audited consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K. The following Selected Financial Data should be read in conjunction with Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data included elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K. The historical results are not necessarily indicative of the results of operations to be expected in the future.

	2008	Year Ended December 31,			2004
		2007	2006	2005	
Consolidated Statement of Operations Data:					
Total revenues	\$ 117,859	\$ 113,470	\$ 98,670	\$ 75,961	\$ 52,857
Operating expenses:					
Research and development(1)	257,390	225,375	185,481	141,135	137,724
General and administrative(2)	36,892	44,940	39,123	27,731	20,905
Amortization of intangible assets		202	820	1,086	779
Restructuring charge	2,890				2,275
Acquired in-process research and development					26,376
Total operating expenses	297,172	270,517	225,424	169,952	188,059
Loss from operations	(179,313)	(157,047)	(126,754)	(93,991)	(135,202)
Total other income (expense)(3)	3,743	46,025	3,565	(819)	(2,043)
Loss from continuing operations before noncontrolling interest in Symphony Evolution, Inc.	(175,570)	(111,022)	(123,189)	(94,810)	(137,245)
Loss attributed to noncontrolling interest in Symphony Evolution, Inc.	12,716	24,641	21,697	10,406	
Net loss	\$ (162,854)	\$ (86,381)	\$ (101,492)	\$ (84,404)	\$ (137,245)
Net loss per share, basic and diluted	\$ (1.54)	\$ (0.87)	\$ (1.17)	\$ (1.07)	\$ (1.89)
Shares used in computing basic and diluted net loss per share	105,498	99,147	86,602	78,810	72,504

- (1) Amounts for 2008, 2007 and 2006 include \$14.8 million, \$11.6 million and \$11.2 million in employee stock-based compensation, respectively, under Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123 (revised 2004), Share-Based Payment (SFAS 123R).
- (2) Amounts for 2008, 2007 and 2006 include \$8.1 million, \$7.3 million and \$6.3 million in employee stock-based compensation, respectively, under SFAS 123R.
- (3) In September 2007, we sold our plant trait business and, as a result, we recognized a gain of \$18.8 million in other income. In 2008 we received an additional \$4.5 million of contingent consideration for development of an additional asset which was recognized as additional gain in other income. In November 2007, we sold 80.1% of our German subsidiary, Artemis Pharmaceuticals GmbH, and recognized a gain of \$18.1 million in other income. In 2008, we recognized an additional \$0.1 million gain from with a purchase price adjustment associated with this transaction.

	2008	Year Ended December 31,			2004
		2007	2006	2005	
Consolidated Balance Sheet Data:					
Cash and cash equivalents, marketable securities, investments held by Symphony Evolution, Inc. and restricted cash and investments	\$ 284,185	\$ 299,530	\$ 263,180	\$ 210,499	\$ 171,223

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Working capital	82,028	150,898	150,814	86,463	89,597
Total assets	401,622	412,120	395,417	332,712	291,340
Long-term obligations, less current portion	97,339	130,671	128,565	121,333	144,491
Accumulated deficit	(954,504)	(791,650)	(705,269)	(603,777)	(519,373)
Total stockholders' equity (deficit)	(56,975)	72,081	52,540	33,543	50,671

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Some of the statements under the captions Risk Factors, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and Business and elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K are forward-looking statements. These statements are based on our current expectations, assumptions, estimates and projections about our business and our industry and involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause our company's or our industry's results, levels of activity, performance or achievements to be materially different from any future results, levels of activity, performance or achievements expressed or implied in, or contemplated by, the forward-looking statements. Words such as believe, anticipate, expect, intend, plan, goal, objective, will, may should, would, could, estimate, predict, potential, continue, encouraging or the negative of such terms or other similar expressions identify forward-looking statements. Our actual results and the timing of events may differ significantly from the results discussed in the forward-looking statements. Factors that might cause such a difference include those discussed in Item 1A. Risk Factors as well as those discussed elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K. These and many other factors could affect our future financial and operating results. We undertake no obligation to update any forward-looking statement to reflect events after the date of this report.

Overview

We are committed to developing innovative therapies for cancer and other serious diseases. Through our integrated drug discovery and development activities, we are building a portfolio of novel compounds that we believe have the potential to be high-quality, differentiated pharmaceutical products. Our most advanced pharmaceutical programs focus on discovery and development of small molecule drugs for cancer.

Utilizing our library of more than 4.5 million compounds, we have integrated high-throughput processes, medicinal chemistry, bioinformatics, structural biology and early *in vivo* testing into a process that allows us to efficiently and rapidly identify highly qualified drug candidates that meet our extensive development criteria.

Since our inception, we have filed 16 investigational new drug applications, or INDs, with the United States Food and Drug Administration, or FDA. As our compounds advance into clinical development, we expect to generate a critical mass of data that will help us to understand the full clinical and commercial potential of our drug candidates. In addition to guiding the potential commercialization of our innovative therapies, these data may contribute to the understanding of disease and help improve treatment outcomes.

Based on the strength of our expertise in biology, drug discovery and development, we have established collaborations with leading pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies, including Bristol-Myers Squibb Company, Genentech, Inc. and GlaxoSmithKline, that allow us to retain economic participation in compounds and support additional development of our pipeline. Our collaborations generally fall into one of two categories: collaborations in which we co-develop compounds with a partner, share development costs and profits from commercialization and may have the right to co-promote products in the United States, and collaborations in which we out-license compounds to a partner for further development and commercialization, have no further unreimbursed cost obligations and are entitled only to receive milestones and royalties from commercialization. Under either form of collaboration, we may also be entitled to license fees, research funding and milestone payments from research results and subsequent product development activities. We maintain exclusive ownership of those compounds in our pipeline that we are developing ourselves. We are responsible for all development costs for these compounds and are entitled to 100% of profits if the compounds are commercialized.

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The following table sets forth those compounds in clinical development that we are developing internally or are co-developing with a partner:

Compound	Partner	Principal Targets	Indication	Stage of Development
XL184	Bristol-Myers Squibb	MET, VEGFR2, RET	Cancer	Phase 3
XL147	Unpartnered	PI3K	Cancer	Phase 1b/2
XL765	Unpartnered	PI3K, mTOR	Cancer	Phase 1b/2
XL518	Genentech	MEK	Cancer	Phase 1
XL228	Unpartnered	IGF1R , ABL, SRC	Cancer	Phase 1
XL019	Unpartnered	JAK2	Cancer	Phase 1
XL139	Bristol-Myers Squibb	Hedgehog	Cancer	Phase 1
XL413	Bristol-Myers Squibb	CDC7	Cancer	Phase 1
XL888	Unpartnered	HSP90	Cancer	Phase 1

The following table sets forth those compounds in preclinical and clinical development that we have out-licensed to third parties for further development and commercialization:

Compound	Partner	Principal Targets	Indication	Stage of Development
XL880	GlaxoSmithKline	MET, VEGFR2	Cancer	Phase 2
XL281	Bristol-Myers Squibb	RAF	Cancer	Phase 1
XL652	Bristol-Myers Squibb	LXR	Metabolic and cardiovascular diseases	Phase 1
XL550	Daiichi-Sankyo	MR	Metabolic and cardiovascular diseases	Preclinical
FXR	Wyeth	FXR	Metabolic and liver disorders	Preclinical

Our Strategy

Our business strategy is to leverage our biological expertise and integrated drug discovery capabilities to generate a pipeline of diverse development compounds with first-in-class or best-in-class potential that fulfill unmet medical needs in the treatment of cancer and potentially other serious diseases. We have refined our strategy to reflect the prolonged economic downturn and the deterioration of the capital markets. In particular, we are focused on ensuring that our expenses are in line with our cash resources, with the goal of being able to operate independently of the capital markets for a substantial period of time.

Our strategy is centered around three principal elements:

Focus development While we have historically pursued an approach to drug discovery intended to generate a significant number of development candidates to fuel our pipeline, for the foreseeable future we intend to direct our discovery efforts more towards generating development candidates under existing and future discovery collaborations with third parties. Our objective is to fund a significant portion of our discovery costs by entering into such collaborations. We are also focusing our later stage clinical development efforts on a limited number of programs. We believe that the most attractive compounds to develop ourselves or to co-develop with a partner have a lower-cost, lower-risk route to the market, usually for a niche indication, with the possibility of substantially expanding the market into major indications. Our most advanced clinical asset, XL184, which we are co-developing with Bristol-Myers Squibb, represents such a compound. We expect particularly to focus our later stage development efforts on XL184, which is being studied in a variety of tumor types, with the goal of rapidly commercializing the compound.

Partner compounds We are seeking new collaborations with leading pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies for the development and ultimate commercialization of some of our preclinical and clinical assets, particularly those drug candidates for which we believe that the capabilities and bandwidth of a partner can accelerate development and help to fully realize their therapeutic and commercial potential. Collaborations also provide us with a means of shifting a portion

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or all of the development costs related to such drug candidates. Consistent with this element of our strategy, in December 2008 we entered into a worldwide collaboration with Bristol-Myers Squibb on two of our cancer programs: one associated with XL184 and the other associated with XL281.

Control costs We are committed to managing our costs. In November 2008, we implemented a restructuring that resulted in the reduction of approximately 10% of our workforce. We will continue to analyze our expenses to ensure that they are not disproportionate to our cash resources. In addition, we will continue to be selective with respect to funding our clinical development programs. We have established definitive go/no-go criteria with respect to our development programs to ensure that we commit our resources only to those programs with the greatest commercial and therapeutic potential. For example, we are conducting limited studies on XL019 and XL228 with the goal of making decisions to continue or halt development of these compounds during 2009. In addition, in late 2008 we discontinued development of XL820 and XL844. In the second half of 2008, we also decided not to invest any additional Exelixis resources in the development of XL647. To control costs, we may decide in the future to pursue collaborations for the development of drug candidates that we had initially determined to develop ourselves. We also retain the right to opt-out of the development of certain drug candidates that we are currently co-developing with partners.

We make decisions regarding whether and how to develop particular drug candidates we have generated through our discovery efforts based on a variety of factors, including preclinical and clinical data, our available financial resources, estimates of the costs to develop and commercialize the drug candidate, our bandwidth and our expertise. Ultimately, our decision-making is intended to maximize the value and productivity of our resources and to focus our efforts on those drug candidates that are commercially attractive and have the potential to be first-in-class or best-in-class therapeutics.

Certain Factors Important to Understanding Our Financial Condition and Result of Operations

Successful development of drugs is inherently difficult and uncertain. Our business requires significant investments in research and development over many years, often for products that fail during the research and development process. Our long-term prospects depend upon our ability and the ability of our partners to successfully commercialize new therapeutics in highly competitive areas such as cancer treatment. Our financial performance is driven by many factors, including those described below.

Limited Sources of Revenues

We currently have no pharmaceutical products that have received marketing approval, and we have generated no revenues to date from the sale of such products. We do not expect to generate revenues from the sale of pharmaceutical products in the near term and expect that all of our near term revenues, such as research and development funding, license fees and milestone payments and royalty revenues, will be generated from collaboration agreements with our partners. Milestones under these agreements may be tied to factors that are outside of our control, such as significant clinical or regulatory events with respect to compounds that have been licensed to our partners.

Clinical Trials

We currently have multiple compounds in clinical development and expect to expand the development program for our compounds. Our compounds may fail to show adequate safety or efficacy in clinical testing. Furthermore, predicting the timing of the initiation or completion of clinical trials is difficult and our trials may be delayed due to many factors, including factors outside of our control. The future development path of each of our compounds depends upon the results of each stage of clinical development. In general, we will incur increased operating expenses for compounds that advance in clinical development, whereas expenses will end for compounds that do not warrant further clinical development.

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We are responsible for all development costs for compounds in our pipeline that are not partnered and for a portion of development costs for those compounds that we are co-developing with partners. We share development costs with partners in our co-development collaborations and have no unreimbursed cost obligations with respect to compounds that we have out-licensed. We expect that over the next several years an increasingly greater portion of our development expenses will be funded by our partners.

Liquidity

As of December 31, 2008, we had \$284.2 million in cash and cash equivalents and short-term and long-term marketable securities, which included investments held by SEI of \$14.7 million and restricted cash and investments of \$4.0 million. We anticipate that our current cash and cash equivalents, short-term and long-term marketable securities, investments held by SEI, funds available under the Facility Agreement with the Deerfield Entities and other funding that we expect to receive from collaborators, which assumes a moderate level of business development activity, will enable us to maintain our operations for a period of at least 12 months following the filing date of this report. Our goal is to be able to operate independently of the capital markets for a substantial period of time. However, our future capital requirements will be substantial and depend on many factors, including the following:

whether we repay amounts outstanding under our loan and security agreement with GlaxoSmithKline in cash or shares of our common stock;

whether and when we draw funds under our Facility Agreement with Deerfield Private Design Fund, L.P., Deerfield Private Design International, L.P., Deerfield Partners, L.P. and Deerfield International Limited (collectively, the Deerfield Entities);

our plans for the aggressive development of our broad clinical and preclinical pipelines;

our obligations under our collaboration agreements, including, in particular, our collaboration agreement with Bristol-Myers Squibb for XL184; and

whether we generate funds from existing or new collaborations for the development of any of our compounds.

Our minimum liquidity needs are also determined by financial covenants in our loan and security agreement, as amended, with GlaxoSmithKline, the Facility Agreement with the Deerfield Entities and our collaboration agreement with Bristol-Myers Squibb for XL184, as well as other factors, which are described under Liquidity and Capital Resources Cash Requirements .

Our ability to raise additional funds may be severely impaired if any of our product candidates fails to show adequate safety or efficacy in clinical testing.

2008 Cancer Collaboration with Bristol-Myers Squibb

We expect to particularly focus our later stage development efforts on XL184, which is being studied in a variety of tumor types, with the goal of rapidly commercializing the compound. In December 2008, we entered into a worldwide collaboration with Bristol-Myers Squibb for XL184 and XL281. Upon effectiveness of the agreement in December 2008, Bristol-Myers Squibb paid us an upfront cash payment of \$195.0 million for the development and commercialization rights to both programs. Bristol-Myers Squibb is also required to make additional license payments of \$45.0 million in 2009.

We and Bristol-Myers Squibb have agreed to co-develop XL184, which may include a backup program for XL184. The companies will share worldwide (except for Japan) development costs for XL184. We are responsible for 35% of such costs and Bristol-Myers Squibb is responsible for 65% of such costs, except that we are responsible for funding the initial \$100.0 million of combined costs and have the option to defer payments for

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development costs above certain thresholds. In return, we will share 50% of the commercial profits and losses (including pre-launch commercialization expenses) in the United States and have the option to co-promote XL184 in the United States. We have the right to defer payment for certain early commercialization and other related costs above certain thresholds. We are eligible to receive sales performance milestones of up to \$150.0 million and double-digit royalties on sales on XL184 outside the United States. The clinical development of XL184 is directed by a joint committee. It is anticipated that we will conduct certain clinical development activities for XL184. We may opt out of the co-development for XL184, in which case we would instead be eligible to receive development and regulatory milestones of up to \$295.0 million, double-digit royalties on XL184 product sales worldwide and sales performance milestones. Our co-development and co-promotion rights may be terminated in the event that we have cash reserves below \$80.0 million and we are unable to increase such cash reserves to \$80.0 million or more within 90 days, in which case we would receive development and regulatory milestones, sales milestones and double-digit royalties, instead of sharing product profits on XL184 in the United States. For purposes of the agreement, cash reserves includes our total cash, cash equivalents and investments (excluding any restricted cash), plus the amount then available for borrowing by us under the Facility Agreement dated June 4, 2008 among us and the Deerfield Entities, as the same may be amended from time to time, and any other similar financing arrangements. Our co-promotion rights on XL184 in the United States, and possibly our right to share product profits on XL184, may be terminated in the event we undergo certain change of control transactions. Bristol-Myers Squibb may, upon certain prior notice to us, terminate the agreement as to products containing XL184 or XL281. In the event of such termination election, Bristol-Myers Squibb's license relating to such product would terminate and revert to us, and we would receive, subject to certain terms and conditions, licenses from Bristol-Myers Squibb to research, develop and commercialize such products.

Bristol-Myers Squibb received an exclusive worldwide license to develop and commercialize XL281. We will carry out certain clinical trials of XL281 which may include a backup program on XL281. Bristol-Myers Squibb is responsible for funding all future development on XL281, including our activities. We are eligible for development and regulatory milestones of up to \$315.0 million on XL281, sales performance milestones of up to \$150.0 million and double-digit royalties on worldwide sales of XL281.

The upfront payment of \$195.0 million we received upon effectiveness of the collaboration agreement and the fully committed payments of \$45.0 million that we will receive in 2009 will be amortized over five years, and recorded as license revenue, from the effective date of the agreement in December 2008. Any milestone payments that we may receive under the agreement will be amortized over the same five year period but recorded as contract revenue. We will record as operating expense 100% of the cost incurred for work performed by Exelixis on the two programs. During the term of the collaboration, so long as we have not opted out of the co-development of XL184, there may be periods during which Bristol-Myers Squibb will partially reimburse us for certain research and development expenses, and other periods during which we will owe Bristol-Myers Squibb for research and development expenses that Bristol-Myers Squibb incurred on joint development projects, less amounts reimbursable to us by Bristol-Myers Squibb on these projects. To the extent that net research and development funding payments are received from Bristol-Myers Squibb, these payments will be presented as collaboration revenue. In periods when net research and development funding payments are payable to Bristol-Myers Squibb, these payments will be presented as collaboration cost sharing expense. Net amounts due from or payable to Bristol-Myers Squibb will be determined and reflected on an annual basis. Generally, the direction of cash flows will depend on the level of development activity by either party, which may change during the development term. Our capital requirements will be impacted by the level of our expenses for the development activity conducted by us and the degree to which we will be required to make payments to, or we will receive payments from, Bristol-Myers Squibb. If we opt out of the co-development of XL184, we would have no further unreimbursed cost obligations.

GlaxoSmithKline Loan Repayment Obligations

In October 2002, we entered into a collaboration with GlaxoSmithKline, to discover and develop novel therapeutics in the areas of vascular biology, inflammatory disease and oncology. As part of the collaboration,

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we entered into a loan and security agreement with GlaxoSmithKline, pursuant to which we borrowed \$85.0 million for use in our efforts under the collaboration. The loan bears interest at a rate of 4.0% per annum and is secured by certain intellectual property, technology and equipment created or utilized pursuant to the collaboration. Principal and accrued interest under the loan becomes due in three annual installments, beginning on October 27, 2009. Repayment of all or any of the amounts advanced to us under this agreement may, at our election, be in the form of our common stock at fair market value, subject to certain conditions. As of December 31, 2008, the aggregate principal and interest outstanding under our GlaxoSmithKline loan was \$102.2 million. Following the conclusion on October 27, 2008 of the development term under our collaboration with GlaxoSmithKline, we are no longer eligible to receive selection milestone payments from GlaxoSmithKline to credit against outstanding loan amounts, and in the event the market price for our common stock is depressed, we may not be able to repay the loan in full using shares of our common stock due to restrictions in the agreement on the number of shares we may issue. In addition, the issuance of shares of our common stock to repay the loan may result in significant dilution to our stockholders. As a result, we may need to obtain additional funding, including from funds available under the Facility Agreement with the Deerfield Entities, to satisfy our repayment obligations, including the payment that is due on October 27, 2009. There can be no assurance that we will have sufficient funds to repay amounts outstanding under the loan when due or that we will satisfy the conditions to our ability to repay the loan in shares of our common stock.

Deerfield Facility

In June 2008, we entered into the Facility Agreement with the Deerfield Entities pursuant to which the Deerfield Entities agreed to loan to us up to \$150.0 million, subject to certain conditions. We may draw down on the facility in \$15.0 million increments at any time until December 2009. The outstanding principal and interest under the loan, if any, is due by June 4, 2013, and, at our option, can be repaid at any time with shares of our common stock, subject to certain restrictions, or in cash. Interest under the loan does not accrue until we draw down on the facility, at which time interest will begin to accrue at a rate of 6.75% per annum compounded annually on the outstanding principal amount of the facility. The Deerfield Entities also have limited rights to accelerate repayment of the loan upon certain changes of control of Exelixis or an event of default. Pursuant to the Facility Agreement, we paid the Deerfield Entities a one time transaction fee of \$3.8 million or 2.5% of the loan facility and we are obligated to pay an annual commitment fee of \$3.4 million or 2.25% of the loan facility, payable quarterly. We also issued warrants to the Deerfield Entities to purchase an aggregate of 1,000,000 shares of our common stock at an exercise price of \$7.40 per share. If we draw down under the Facility Agreement, we would be required to issue to the Deerfield Entities additional warrants to purchase shares of our common stock. If we draw down under the Facility Agreement, there is no assurance that the conditions to our ability to repay the loan in shares of our common stock would be satisfied at the time that any outstanding principal and interest under the loan is due, in which case we would be obligated to repay the loan in cash, or that events permitting acceleration of the loan will not occur, in which event we would be required to repay any outstanding principal and interest sooner than anticipated. As of December 31, 2008, we had not drawn down under the Facility Agreement.

Symphony Evolution, Inc.

In 2005, we licensed three of our compounds, XL647, XL784 and XL999, to SEI in return for an \$80.0 million investment for the clinical development of these compounds. We have an exclusive purchase option to acquire all of the equity of SEI, thereby allowing us to reacquire XL647, XL784 and XL999 at our sole discretion. We do not have the right to repurchase a single product candidate without also repurchasing the other two product candidates. The purchase option price, which may be paid in cash and/or shares of our common stock, at our sole discretion, would be equal to the sum of (1) the total amount of capital invested in SEI by its investors (\$80.0 million) and (2) an amount equal to 25% per year on such funded capital, compounded from the time of funding. As a result, the purchase option price for the compounds licensed to SEI increases over time. In 2007, we discontinued the development of XL999 and completed the phase 2 trial for XL784; the phase 2 clinical development program for XL647 is ongoing. We are in discussions with SEI regarding the future clinical development of XL647 and XL784 and related funding. We do not intend to further develop XL647 or XL784 on our own or invest any further Exelixis

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resources in the development of these compounds. In light of the foregoing, in the absence of a partner, we do not anticipate using our own funds or common stock to exercise the purchase option.

Critical Accounting Estimates

Our consolidated financial statements and related notes are prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, or GAAP, which requires us to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenue and expenses and related disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. We have based our estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions that we believe to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Our senior management has discussed the development, selection and disclosure of these estimates with the Audit Committee of our Board of Directors. Actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions.

An accounting policy is considered to be critical if it requires an accounting estimate to be made based on assumptions about matters that are highly uncertain at the time the estimate is made, and if different estimates that reasonably could have been used, or changes in the accounting estimates that are reasonably likely to occur periodically, could materially impact the financial statements. We believe the following critical accounting policies reflect the more significant estimates and assumptions used in the preparation of our consolidated financial statements:

Fair Value Measurements

As of January 1, 2008, we adopted FASB Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 157, *Fair Value Measurements* (SFAS 157). SFAS 157 established a framework for measuring fair value in GAAP and clarified the definition of fair value within that framework. SFAS 157 does not require any new fair value measurements in GAAP. SFAS 157 introduced, or reiterated, a number of key concepts which form the foundation of the fair value measurement approach to be utilized for financial reporting purposes. The fair value of our financial instruments reflect the amounts that would be received upon sale of an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date (exit price). SFAS 157 also established a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the use of inputs used in valuation techniques into the following three levels:

Level 1 quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities.

Level 2 observable inputs other than quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities.

Level 3 unobservable inputs.

The adoption of SFAS 157 did not have a material effect on our financial condition and results of operations, but SFAS 157 introduced new disclosures about how we value certain assets and liabilities. Much of the disclosure requirement is focused on the inputs used to measure fair value, particularly in instances where the measurement uses significant unobservable (Level 3) inputs. Our financial instruments are valued using quoted prices in active markets or based upon other observable inputs. As of December 31, 2008, all of our investments were held in money-market securities.

Revenue Recognition

Our revenues are derived from three primary sources: license fees, milestone payments and collaborative agreement reimbursements.

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Revenues from license fees and milestone payments primarily consist of up-front license fees and milestone payments received under various collaboration agreements. We recognize all non-refundable up-front license fees as revenues in accordance with the guidance provided in the SEC's Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 104. We initially recognize upfront fees received from third party collaborators as unearned revenue and then recognize these amounts on a ratable basis over the expected term of the research collaboration. Often, the total research term is not contractually defined and an estimate of the term of our total obligation must be made. For example, under the 2008 cancer collaboration with Bristol-Myers Squibb, we have estimated our term to be five years, or through the completion of phase 3 trials. We estimate that this is the longest possible period that we could be obligated to perform services and therefore the appropriate term with which to amortize any license fees. However, if we submit a New Drug Approval application earlier than anticipated, or Bristol-Myers Squibb decides to take over management of trials prior to their completion, the estimated term of our obligation would be shortened, resulting in an increase in revenue recognition in the period in which our estimated term changes.

Although milestone payments are generally non-refundable once the milestone is achieved, we recognize the milestone revenues on a straight-line basis over the expected research term of the arrangement. This typically results in a portion of the milestone being recognized on the date the milestone is achieved, with the balance being recognized over the remaining research term of the agreement. There is diversity in practice on the recognition of milestone revenue. Other companies have adopted an alternative milestone revenue recognition policy, whereby the full milestone fee is recognized upon completion of the milestone. If we had adopted such a policy, our revenues recorded to date would have increased and our deferred revenues would have decreased by a material amount compared to total revenue recognized. In certain situations, we may receive milestone payments after the end of our period of continued involvement. In such circumstances, we would recognize 100% of the milestone revenue when the milestone is achieved.

Collaborative agreement reimbursement revenue consists of research and development support received from collaborators. Collaborative agreement reimbursement revenue is recorded as earned based on the performance requirements by both parties under the respective contracts. Under the 2008 cancer collaboration with Bristol-Myers Squibb, certain research and development expenses are partially reimbursable to us. On an annual basis, the amounts that Bristol-Myers Squibb owes us, net of amounts reimbursable to Bristol-Myers Squibb by us on those projects, are recorded as revenue. Conversely, research and development expenses may include the net settlement of amounts we owe Bristol-Myers Squibb for research and development expenses that Bristol-Myers Squibb incurred on joint development projects, less amounts reimbursable to us by Bristol-Myers Squibb on these projects. In annual periods when net research and development funding payments are payable to Bristol-Myers Squibb, these payments will be presented as collaboration cost-sharing expense.

Some of our research and licensing arrangements have multiple deliverables in order to meet our customer's needs. For example, the arrangements may include a combination of up-front fees, license payments, research and development services, milestone payments and future royalties. Multiple element revenue agreements are evaluated under Emerging Issues Task Force No. 00-21, Revenue Arrangements with Multiple Deliverables, or EITF 00-21, to determine whether the delivered item has value to the customer on a stand-alone basis and whether objective and reliable evidence of the fair value of the undelivered item exists. Deliverables in an arrangement that do not meet the separation criteria in EITF 00-21 are treated as one unit of accounting for purposes of revenue recognition. Generally, the revenue recognition guidance applicable to the final deliverable is followed for the combined unit of accounting. For certain arrangements, the period of time over which certain deliverables will be provided is not contractually defined. Accordingly, management is required to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. In 2008, under our collaboration with GlaxoSmithKline, we accelerated \$18.5 million in previously deferred revenue as a result of the development term concluding on the earliest scheduled end date of October 27, 2008, instead of the previously estimated end date of October 27, 2010.

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As of December 31, 2008, our consolidated balance sheet included \$63.7 million of goodwill. Under GAAP, we evaluate goodwill for impairment on an annual basis and on an interim basis if events or changes in circumstances between annual impairment tests indicate that the asset might be impaired. The impairment tests for goodwill are performed at the reporting unit level and require us to perform a two-step impairment test. Our reporting units have been determined to be consistent with our operating segments. In the first step, we compare the fair value of our reporting units to their respective carrying values. If the fair value of the reporting unit exceeds the carrying value of the net assets assigned to that unit, goodwill is not impaired and we are not required to perform further testing. If the carrying value of the net assets assigned to the reporting unit exceeds the fair value of the reporting unit, we perform the second step of the impairment test in order to determine the implied fair value of the reporting unit's goodwill. If the carrying value of a reporting unit's goodwill exceeds its fair value, then we record an impairment loss equal to the difference.

Clinical Trial Accruals

Substantial portions of our preclinical studies and all of our clinical trials have been performed by third-party contract research organizations, or CROs, and other vendors. We accrue expenses for preclinical studies performed by our vendors based on certain estimates over the term of the service period and adjust our estimates as required. We accrue costs for clinical trial activities performed by CROs based upon the estimated amount of work completed on each study. For clinical trial expenses, the significant factors used in estimating accruals include the number of patients enrolled, the number of active clinical sites, and the duration for which the patients will be enrolled in the study. We monitor patient enrollment levels and related activities to the extent possible through internal reviews, correspondence with CROs and review of contractual terms. We base our estimates on the best information available at the time. However, additional information may become available to us which will allow us to make a more accurate estimate in future periods. In this event, we may be required to record adjustments to research and development expenses in future periods when the actual level of activity becomes more certain, such increases or decreases in cost are generally considered to be changes in estimates and will be reflected in research and development expenses in the period first known.

Stock Option Valuation

Effective January 1, 2006, we adopted the fair value recognition provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123 (revised 2004), *Share-Based Payment* (SFAS 123R). Under this standard, our estimate of compensation expense requires us to determine the appropriate fair value model and a number of complex and subjective assumptions including our stock price volatility, employee exercise patterns, future forfeitures and related tax effects. The most significant assumptions are our estimates of the expected volatility and the expected term of the award. We have limited historical information available to support the underlying estimates of certain assumptions required to value stock options. The value of a stock option is derived from its potential for appreciation. The more volatile the stock, the more valuable the option becomes because of the greater possibility of significant changes in stock price. Because there is a market for options on our common stock, we have considered implied volatilities as well as our historical realized volatilities when developing an estimate of expected volatility. The expected option term also has a significant effect on the value of the option. The longer the term, the more time the option holder has to allow the stock price to increase without a cash investment and thus, the more valuable the option. Further, lengthier option terms provide more opportunity to exploit market highs. However, empirical data shows that employees, for a variety of reasons, typically do not wait until the end of the contractual term of a nontransferable option to exercise. Accordingly, companies are required to estimate the expected term of the option for input to an option-pricing model. As required under the accounting rules, we review our valuation assumptions at each grant date and, as a result, from time to time we will likely change the valuation assumptions we use to value stock based awards granted in future periods. The assumptions used in calculating the fair value of share-based payment awards represent management's best

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estimates, but these estimates involve inherent uncertainties and the application of management judgment. As a result, if factors change and we use different assumptions, our stock-based compensation expense could be materially different in the future. In addition, we are required to estimate the expected forfeiture rate and recognize expense only for those shares expected to vest. If our actual forfeiture rate is materially different from our estimate, the stock-based compensation expense could be significantly different from what we have recorded in the current period. As of December 31, 2008, \$35.8 million of total unrecognized compensation expense related to stock options is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 2.6 years. See Note 11 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for a further discussion on stock-based compensation.

Fiscal Year Convention

In 2006, Exelixis adopted a 52- or 53-week fiscal year that ends on the Friday closest to December 31st. Fiscal year 2006, a 52-week year, ended on December 29, 2006, fiscal year 2007, a 52-week year, ended on December 28, 2007, fiscal year 2008, a 53-week year, ended on January 2, 2009, and fiscal year 2009, a 52-week year, will end on January 1, 2010. For convenience, references in this report as of and for the fiscal years ended December 29, 2006, December 28, 2007, and January 2, 2009 are indicated on a calendar year basis, ending December 31, 2006, 2007 and 2008, respectively.

Results of Operations Comparison of Years Ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006**Revenues**

Total revenues by category, as compared to the prior year, were as follows (dollar amounts are presented in millions):

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2008	2007	2006
Contract revenues:			
Research and development services	\$ 25.1	\$ 50.4	\$ 46.3
Milestones	45.8	18.0	15.6
Delivery of compounds under chemistry collaborations	0.2	0.7	0.5
License revenues:			
Amortization of upfront payments and license fees, including premiums paid on equity purchases	46.8	44.4	36.3
Total revenues	\$ 117.9	\$ 113.5	\$ 98.7
Dollar increase	\$ 4.4	\$ 14.8	\$ 22.7
Percentage increase	4%	15%	30%

The decrease in research and development services revenues from 2007 to 2008 was primarily due to a decrease of \$11.2 million of revenues associated with the sale of our former subsidiary Artemis Pharmaceuticals GmbH, or Artemis, which is no longer consolidated as a result of the sale of 80.1% of our ownership in 2007. In addition, various collaboration agreements with Genentech, Inc., Daiichi Sankyo Company Limited, or Daiichi-Sankyo, Agrigenetics, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Dow Chemical Company, and GlaxoSmithKline ended in 2007 and early 2008, resulting in a combined decrease of \$10.4 million. We also had a decrease of \$4.0 million in funding under two of our agreements with Bristol-Myers Squibb in accordance with contractual terms.

The increase in research and development services revenues from 2006 to 2007 was primarily the result of increases in research and development services of \$3.4 million attributable to Artemis, \$1.5 million from our agreement with Agrigenetics and \$1.2 million from our agreement with Daiichi-Sankyo. These increases were partially offset by decreases in research and development services of \$1.0 million from one of our Bristol-Myers Squibb collaborations and \$0.9 million from our collaboration with Renessen LLC.

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The increase in milestone revenues from 2007 to 2008 was primarily due to the recognition of \$19.7 million in revenues associated with the two \$20.0 million milestones achieved with respect to XL139 and XL413 under our 2007 cancer collaboration with Bristol-Myers Squibb. In addition, we accelerated \$9.4 million in deferred revenues under our collaboration with GlaxoSmithKline, for which the development term concluded on October 27, 2008. In prior years, revenues from upfront payments, premiums paid on equity purchases and milestones had been recognized assuming that the development term would be extended through the longest contractual period of October 27, 2010. However, as a result of the development term concluding on the earliest scheduled end date under the collaboration, the remaining deferred revenues were recognized through October 27, 2008. We also had an additional \$2.2 million in revenues associated with the \$3.0 million milestone achieved under our co-development collaboration with Genentech. These increases were partly offset by a decrease of \$4.3 million due to the completion of revenue recognition for milestones with Bristol-Myers Squibb and Wyeth in 2007.

The increase in milestone revenues from 2006 to 2007 was primarily due to \$4.9 million in revenues associated with a milestone achieved under our co-development collaboration with Genentech relating to XL518 and \$3.3 million in revenues associated with a milestone achieved under one of our collaborations with Bristol-Myers Squibb. These increases were partially offset by \$4.0 million in revenues in 2006 associated with a milestone achieved under our collaboration with Helsinn Healthcare S.A, or Helsinn, and \$2.0 million in revenues associated with a milestone achieved under our collaboration with Wyeth in 2006.

The decrease revenues from the delivery of compounds from 2007 to 2008 of \$0.4 million related to the completion of shipments in March 2008 of compounds under our chemistry collaboration agreement with Bayer CropScience. The increase in revenues from 2006 to 2007 from the delivery of compounds of \$0.2 million was related to the delivery of compounds under our chemistry collaboration agreement with Bayer CropScience.

The increase in the amortization of upfront payments from 2007 to 2008 was primarily due to the acceleration of \$9.0 million in deferred revenue under our collaboration with GlaxoSmithKline. In addition, we recognized \$1.7 million in revenues associated with the \$240.0 million license fee payments under 2008 cancer collaboration with Bristol-Myers Squibb relating to XL184 and XL281 and \$1.2 million under our co-development collaboration with Genentech. This increase was partially offset by a decrease in revenues of \$7.7 million and \$1.4 million relating to the conclusion of the amortization of the upfront payments from Daiichi-Sankyo in December 2007 and from Genentech related to our Notch collaboration which ended in May 2008.

The increase from 2006 to 2007 in the amortization of upfront payments, including premiums paid on equity purchases, was driven primarily by upfront payments from the cancer collaboration we entered into with Bristol-Myers Squibb in December 2006, which became effective in January 2007, resulting in increased revenues of \$14.6 million, and our co-development collaboration with Genentech relating to XL518, resulting in increased revenues of \$8.1 million. These increases were partially offset by the completion of amortizing upfront payments from Wyeth, resulting in decreased revenues of \$9.7 million, and from Daiichi-Sankyo, resulting in decreased revenues of \$4.6 million.

Prior to the closing of the sale of 80.1% of the share capital of Artemis on November 20, 2007, we had included \$11.2 million and \$7.9 million of revenues attributable to Artemis for 2007 and 2006, respectively, within our consolidated total revenues. As a result of the sale, Artemis financial results are no longer consolidated into our consolidated financial statements.

The following table sets forth the revenue recognized as a percentage of total revenues from customers that exceeded 10% or more of total revenues during the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006:

Collaborator	2008	2007	2006
Bristol-Myers Squibb	46%	35%	22%
GlaxoSmithKline	37%	24%	28%
Genentech	17%	16%	6%
Daiichi-Sankyo	0%	10%	15%
Wyeth	0%	2%	14%

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Total research and development expenses were as follows (dollar amounts are presented in millions):

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2008	2007	2006
Research and development expenses(1)	\$ 257.4	\$ 225.4	\$ 185.5
Dollar increase	\$ 32.0	\$ 39.9	\$ 44.3
Percentage increase	14%	22%	31%

(1) Amounts for 2008, 2007 and 2006 include \$14.8 million, \$11.6 million and \$11.2 million, respectively, in employee stock-based compensation under SFAS 123R.

Research and development expenses consist primarily of personnel expenses, clinical trials and consulting, laboratory supplies and facility costs. The change in 2008 compared to 2007 resulted primarily from the following:

Clinical Trials Clinical trial expenses, which include services performed by third-party contract research organizations and other vendors, increased by \$19.5 million, or 34%, primarily due to activities for a phase 3 clinical trial for XL184, phase 2 clinical trial activity for XL184, XL820 and XL647, additional phase 1 clinical trial activity for XL019, XL147, XL228 and XL765, and preclinical studies for XL413 and XL888. The increase was also due in part to start-up activities for a phase 3 clinical trial of XL647 that we subsequently decided not to initiate. These increases were partially offset by a decline in expense associated with XL999 and XL784 phase 2 clinical trial activities, a decline in expense associated with XL443 for non-clinical toxicology studies performed in 2007 and a decline in expenses related to XL880 due to the selection of XL880 by GlaxoSmithKline in March 2008 under our product development and commercialization agreement.

General Corporate Costs There was an increase of \$10.4 million, or 31%, in the allocation of general corporate costs (such as facilities costs, property taxes and insurance) to research and development, which primarily reflected the relative growth of the research and development function compared to the general and administrative function.

Personnel Personnel expense, which includes salaries, bonuses, related fringe benefits, temporaries, recruiting and relocation costs, increased by \$7.9 million, or 11%, primarily due to the expanded workforce supporting drug development operations to advance our clinical and preclinical development programs.

Laboratory Supplies Laboratory supplies expense decreased by \$4.8 million, or 21%, primarily due to cost savings measures implemented during 2008.

The change in 2007 compared to 2006 in research and development expenses resulted primarily from the following

Clinical Trials and Consulting Clinical trials and consulting expense, which includes services performed by third-party contract research organizations and other vendors, increased by \$16.0 million, or 34%, primarily due to an increase in activities associated with advancing our clinical and preclinical development programs. During 2007, these activities included phase 2 clinical trial activities for XL784, XL880, XL647 and XL820 and phase 1 clinical trial activity for XL999, XL844, XL228, XL281, XL518, XL184, XL418, XL147, XL765 and XL019, as well as preclinical activity for XL443 and XL139, which were partially offset by a decrease in phase 2 clinical trial activity for XL999 during 2007.

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Personnel Personnel expense, which includes salaries, bonuses, related fringe benefits, recruiting and relocation costs, increased by \$13.9 million, or 24%, primarily due to the expanded workforce supporting drug development operations to advance our clinical and preclinical development programs.

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Lab Supplies Lab supplies expense increased by \$5.2 million, or 30%, primarily due to an increase in our drug discovery activities and drug development activities.

We do not track total research and development expenses separately for each of our research and development programs. We group our research and development expenses into three categories: drug discovery, development and other. Our drug discovery group utilizes a variety of high-throughput technologies to enable the rapid discovery, optimization and extensive characterization of lead compounds such that we are able to select development candidates with the best potential for further evaluation and advancement into clinical development. Drug discovery expenses relate primarily to personnel expense, lab supplies and general corporate costs. Our development group leads the development and implementation of our clinical and regulatory strategies and prioritizes disease indications in which our compounds may be studied in clinical trials. Development expenses relate primarily to clinical trial, personnel and general corporate costs. The other category primarily includes stock compensation expense.

In addition to reviewing the three categories of research and development expenses described above, we principally consider qualitative factors in making decisions regarding our research and development programs. Such factors include enrollment in clinical trials for our drug candidates, the results of and data from clinical trials, the potential indications for our drug candidates, the clinical and commercial potential for our drug candidates and competitive dynamics. We also make our research and development decisions in the context of our overall business strategy, which includes the pursuit of commercial collaborations with major pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies for the development of our drug candidates.

The expenditures summarized in the following table reflect total research and development expenses by category, including allocations for general and administrative expense (dollar amounts are presented in millions):

	2008	2007
Drug discovery	\$ 102.5	\$ 101.7
Development	138.0	101.5
Other	16.9	22.2
 Total research and development expenses	 \$ 257.4	 \$ 225.4

For the full year 2008, the programs representing the greatest portion of our research and development expenses (in approximate order of magnitude), based on estimates of the allocation of our research and development efforts and expenses among specific programs, were XL647, X184, XL147, XL765 and XL228. The expenses for these programs are included in the development category of our research and development expenses.

We currently do not have reliable estimates regarding the timing of our clinical trials. We currently estimate that typical phase 1 clinical trials last approximately one year, phase 2 clinical trials last approximately one to two years and phase 3 clinical trials last approximately two to four years. However, the length of time may vary substantially according to factors relating to the particular clinical trial, such as the type and intended use of the drug candidate, the clinical trial design and the ability to enroll suitable patients. In general, we will incur increased research and development expenses for compounds that advance in clinical development, whereas expenses will end for compounds that do not warrant further clinical development.

We currently do not have reliable estimates of total costs for a particular drug candidate to reach the market. Our potential therapeutic products are subject to a lengthy and uncertain regulatory process that may involve unanticipated additional clinical trials and may not result in receipt of the necessary regulatory approvals. Failure to receive the necessary regulatory approvals would prevent us from commercializing the product candidates affected. In addition, clinical trials of our potential products may fail to demonstrate safety and efficacy, which could prevent or significantly delay regulatory approval.

Table of Contents**General and Administrative Expenses**

Total general and administrative expenses were as follows (dollar amounts are presented in millions):

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2008	2007	2006
General and administrative expenses(1)	\$ 36.9	\$ 44.9	\$ 39.1
Dollar (decrease) increase	\$ (8.0)	\$ 5.8	\$ 11.4
Percentage (decrease) increase	(18%)	15%	41%

(1) Amounts for 2008, 2007 and 2006 include \$8.1 million, \$7.3 million and \$6.3 million, respectively, in employee stock-based compensation under SFAS 123R.

General and administrative expenses consist primarily of personnel expenses to support our general operating activities, facility costs and professional expenses, such as legal and accounting fees. The decrease in 2008 from 2007 resulted primarily from an increase of \$10.4 million in the allocation of general corporate costs (such as facilities costs, property taxes and insurance) to research and development, which primarily reflected the relative growth of the research and development function compared to the general and administrative function. This decrease was partly offset by increases in facilities costs of \$2.4 million and consulting and outside services costs of \$1.3 million. The increase in 2007 from 2006 resulted primarily from an increase in personnel expenses of \$3.9 million and increases in employee and nonemployee stock-based compensation expense of \$2.1 million. The increases in personnel expenses and stock-based compensation expense were primarily to support our expanding operations.

Amortization of Intangible Assets

Total amortization of intangible assets was as follows (dollar amounts are presented in millions):

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2008	2007	2006
Amortization of intangible assets	\$	\$ 0.2	\$ 0.8
Dollar decrease	\$ (0.2)	\$ (0.6)	\$ (0.3)
Percentage decrease	(100%)	(75%)	(24%)

Intangible assets resulted from our acquisitions of X-Ceptor, Genomica, Artemis and Agritope (renamed Exelixis Plant Sciences). These assets are amortized over specified time periods. The decrease in amortization of intangible assets expense in 2008 compared to 2007 was due to the completion of the amortization of the assembled workforce related to our acquisition of X-Ceptor Therapeutics. In addition, amortization of intangible assets expense decreased as a result of our transaction in September 2007 with Agrigenetics in which we sold \$2.1 million of acquired patents and our transaction in November 2007 in which we sold 80.1% of the share capital of Artemis, which included \$0.3 million of acquired patents.

The decrease in amortization of intangible assets expense in 2007 compared to 2006 was due to the completion of the amortization of the assembled workforce related to our acquisition of X-Ceptor Therapeutics and the developed technology related to our acquisition of Artemis.

Restructuring Charge

In November 2008, we implemented a restructuring plan that resulted in a reduction in force of 78 employees or approximately 10% of our workforce. We anticipate that the actions associated with the restructuring plan will be completed during the first quarter of 2009.

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The decision to restructure was based on our corporate strategy to control our costs, with the goal of enabling us to operate independently of the capital markets for a substantial period of time. As a result of this restructuring plan, we recorded a restructuring charge of approximately \$2.9 million in the fourth quarter of 2008 consisting primarily of severance, health care benefits and legal and outplacement services fees, of which approximately \$1.2 million had been paid out as of December 31, 2008.

Total Other Income

Total other income was as follows (dollar amounts are presented in millions):

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2008	2007	2006
Total other income	\$ 3.7	\$ 46.0	\$ 3.6
Dollar (decrease) increase	\$ (42.3)	\$ 42.5	\$ 4.4

The decrease in total other income for 2008 compared to 2007 was primarily due to the 2007 gain on the sale of our plant trait business and the gain on sale of 80.1% of the share capital of Artemis, and a decrease in interest income as a result of lower cash and investment balances and lower average interest rates

The increase in total other income for 2007 compared to 2006 was primarily due to the gain on the sale of our plant trait business and the gain on sale of 80.1% of the share capital of Artemis and an increase in interest income as a result of higher cash and investment balances and higher average interest rates.

In September 2007, we sold our plant trait business to Agrigenetics, and, as a result, we recognized a gain of \$18.8 million in total other income. The gain of \$18.8 million primarily consists of a purchase price of \$22.5 million, less \$2.4 million in net book value of tangible and intangible assets and the derecognition of \$1.4 million of goodwill.

As a result of the sale of 80.1% of the share capital of Artemis in November 2007, we recognized a gain of \$18.1 million in total other income. This gain primarily consists of cash received of \$19.8 million, plus \$2.5 million relating to the elimination of cumulative foreign currency translation adjustments and the elimination of net liabilities, less \$0.3 million of intangible assets (acquired patents) and the derecognition of \$2.3 million of goodwill.

Noncontrolling Interest in Symphony Evolution, Inc.

Pursuant to the agreements that we entered into with SEI and certain other parties in June 2005, we consolidate SEI's financial condition and results of operations in accordance with FIN 46R. Accordingly, we have deducted the losses attributable to the noncontrolling interest (SEI's losses) from our net loss in the consolidated statement of operations and we have also reduced the noncontrolling interest holders' ownership interest in SEI in the consolidated balance sheet by SEI's losses. The noncontrolling interest holders' ownership in the consolidated balance sheet was \$0.7 million as of December 31, 2008. Prior to 2009, we would not allocate SEI's losses such that the carrying value of the noncontrolling interest would be reduced below zero. However, upon the adoption of the Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 160, *Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Financial Statements*—an amendment of ARB No. 51, or SFAS 160, on January 3, 2009, we will allocate losses to the noncontrolling interest in SEI such that the noncontrolling interest could have a negative carrying value. As a result of the adoption of this new standard, we expect the value of the non-controlling interest to fall below zero by the end of the first quarter of 2009. For the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, the losses attributed to the noncontrolling interest holders were \$12.7 million, \$24.6 million and \$21.7 million, respectively.

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The decrease in 2008 from 2007 in the losses attributed to the noncontrolling interest holders were primarily due to decreased development expenses associated with XL784 and XL999. The increase in 2007 from 2006 in the losses attributed to the noncontrolling interest holders is related to increased development expenses associated with XL784 and XL647, which were partially offset by a decrease in development expenses associated with XL999.

Income Taxes

We have incurred net losses since inception and, consequently, have not recorded any U.S. federal or state income taxes. As of December 31, 2008, we had federal and California net operating loss carryforwards of \$768.0 million and \$543.0 million, respectively.

Under the Internal Revenue Code and similar state provisions, certain substantial changes in our ownership could result in an annual limitation on the amount of net operating loss and credit carryforwards that can be utilized in future years to offset future taxable income. Annual limitations may result in the expiration of net operating loss and credit carryforwards before they are used.

Liquidity and Capital Resources**Sources and Uses of Cash**

The following table summarizes our cash flow activities for the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005 (dollar amounts are presented in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2008	2007	2006
Net loss	\$ (162,854)	\$ (86,381)	\$ (101,492)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities	19,794	(29,126)	13,598
Changes in operating assets and liabilities	133,303	46,768	42,555
Net cash used in operating activities	(9,757)	(68,739)	(45,339)
Net cash used in investing activities	121,368	(3,019)	(21,701)
Net cash provided by financing activities	630	84,248	109,344
Effect of foreign exchange rates on cash and cash equivalents		(402)	(263)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	112,241	12,088	42,041
Cash and cash equivalents, at beginning of year	135,457	123,369	81,328
Cash and cash equivalents, at end of year	\$ 247,698	\$ 135,457	\$ 123,369

To date, we have financed our operations primarily through the sale of equity, payments and loans from collaborators, equipment financing facilities and interest income. We have also financed certain of our research and development activities under our agreements with SEI. In October 2006, we received net proceeds, after underwriting fees and offering expenses, of \$90.5 million from the sale of 11.5 million shares of our common stock under a shelf registration statement. In September 2007, we received net proceeds, after underwriting fees and offering expenses, of \$71.9 million from the sale of 7.0 million shares of our common stock under a shelf registration statement. As of December 31, 2008, we had \$284.2 million in cash and cash equivalents and marketable securities, which included restricted cash and investments of \$4.0 million and investments held by SEI of \$14.7 million. In addition, as of December 31, 2008, approximately \$33.6 million of cash and cash equivalents and marketable securities serve as collateral for bank lines of credit.

Operating Activities

Our operating activities used cash of \$9.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, compared to \$68.7 million for 2007 and \$45.3 million for 2006. Cash used in operating activities during 2008 related primarily to our net loss of \$162.9 million and loss attributed to noncontrolling interest of \$12.7 million. The increase in our

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net loss was primarily driven by the continued advancement and expansion of our clinical trial activity in addition to the inclusion in 2007 of the \$18.8 million gain on the sale of assets recognized in conjunction with our transaction with Agrigenetics, which was accounted for as a sale of our plant trait business and \$18.1 million gain on the sale of 80.1% of Artemis. These uses of cash were primarily offset by a net increase in deferred revenue of \$132.8 million primarily driven by receipt of an upfront cash payment of \$195 million related to the XL184 and XL281 collaboration with Bristol-Myers Squibb, partially offset by a decrease in deferred revenue from the ratable recognition of deferred revenues over the period of continuing involvement from our various collaborations. In particular, we accelerated \$18.5 million in previously deferred revenue relating to the conclusion of our collaboration with GlaxoSmithKline, the development term for which concluded on October 27, 2008. In addition, cash uses were offset by increases in accounts payable and other accrued expenses as well as non-cash charges totaling \$36.1 million relating to stock-based compensation and depreciation and amortization. Cash used in operating activities during 2007 related primarily to our loss from operations of \$157.0 million, partially offset by non-cash charges totaling \$31.3 million relating to stock-based compensation and depreciation and amortization. In addition, cash used in operating activities was reduced by \$49.9 million as the result of decreases in accounts receivable and increases in accounts payable, other accrued expenses, other long term liabilities and deferred revenue. Cash used in operating activities during 2006 related primarily to funding net losses, losses attributed to the noncontrolling interest and receivables. These uses of cash were partially offset by changes in deferred revenues, accrued expenses and non-cash charges related to stock-based compensation expense recognized due to our adoption of SFAS 123R and depreciation and amortization.

While cash used in operating activities is primarily driven by our net loss, operating cash flows differ from our net loss as a result of differences in the timing of cash receipts and earnings recognition, expenses related to the noncontrolling interest and non-cash charges. We expect to use cash for operating activities for at least the next several years as we continue to incur net losses associated with our research and development activities, including manufacturing and development expenses for compounds in preclinical and clinical studies.

Investing Activities

Our investing activities provided cash of \$121.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, compared to cash used of \$3.0 million for 2007 and \$21.7 million for 2006.

Cash provided in investing activities for 2008 was primarily driven by proceeds from the sale and maturities of marketable securities of \$110.0 million and the sale of \$16.9 million of investments held by SEI, partially offset by purchases of property and equipment of \$15.1 million. In addition, in September 2008 we received the \$4.5 million anniversary payment plus an additional \$4.5 million of contingent consideration in association with our transaction with Agrigenetics. The proceeds provided by maturities or sale of our marketable securities and the sale of investments by SEI were used to fund our operations. We expect to continue to make moderate investments in property and equipment to support our operations.

Cash used in investing activities for 2007 was primarily driven by net purchases of marketable securities of \$47.5 million and purchases of property and equipment of \$17.4 million. Most of the cash invested in marketable securities and investments was generated by a common stock offering in 2007 and payments received from collaborators. These uses of cash were partially offset by net proceeds of \$35.3 million from the sale of our plant trait business and Artemis. The proceeds provided by maturities of our marketable securities and the sale of investments by SEI were used to fund our operations.

Cash used in investing activities for 2006 was primarily driven by purchases of marketable securities of \$91.7 million, purchases of investments held by SEI of \$42.3 million and purchases of property and equipment of \$11.6 million. Most of the cash invested in marketable securities and investments was generated by a common stock offering in 2006 and a second capital draw by our consolidated entity SEI in 2006. These uses of cash were partially offset by proceeds of \$99.6 million from the maturities of marketable securities and \$21.3 million from the sales of investments held by SEI. The proceeds provided by maturities of our marketable securities and the sale of investments by SEI were used to fund our operations.

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Financing Activities

Our financing activities provided cash of \$0.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, compared to \$84.2 million for 2007 and \$109.3 million for 2006.

Cash provided by our financing activities for the 2008 period was primarily due to proceeds of \$13.6 million from our notes payable and bank obligations and \$4.5 million from the exercise of stock options and the issuance of stock under the employee stock purchase plan. These increases were partially offset by principal payments on notes payable and bank obligations of \$17.5 million.

Cash provided by our financing activities for 2007 was primarily due to net proceeds of \$71.9 million received through the sale of our common stock and \$12.6 million of proceeds from note payable and bank obligations. These increases were partially offset by \$12.1 million of principal payments on notes payable and bank obligations.

Cash provided by our financing activities for 2006 was primarily due to net proceeds of \$90.5 million received through the sale of our common stock, a \$40.0 million capital draw by SEI and the related funding by preferred shareholders of SEI and \$14.8 million of proceeds from note payable and bank obligations. These increases were partially offset by \$41.9 million of principal payments on notes payable and bank obligations, which included the repayment of \$30.0 million convertible promissory note to PDL BioPharma.

We finance property and equipment purchases through equipment financing facilities, such as notes and bank obligations. Proceeds from collaboration loans and common stock issuances are used for general working capital purposes, such as research and development activities and other general corporate purposes. Over the next several years, we are required to make certain payments on notes, bank obligations and our loan from GlaxoSmithKline. In June 2008, we entered into the Facility Agreement with Deerfield Entities for which the Deerfield Entities agreed to loan us up to \$150.0 million, subject to certain conditions. We may draw down on the facility in \$15.0 million increments at any time until December 2009. The outstanding principal and interest under the loan, if any, is due by June 4, 2013, and, at our option, can be repaid at any time with shares of our common stock, subject to certain restrictions, or in cash. As of December 31, 2008, we had not drawn down on the Facility Agreement.

Cash Requirements

We have incurred net losses since inception, including a net loss of \$162.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, and we expect to incur substantial losses for at least the next several years as we continue our research and development activities, including manufacturing and development expenses for compounds in preclinical and clinical studies. As of December 31, 2008, we had \$284.2 million in cash and cash equivalents and short-term and long-term marketable securities, which included investments held by SEI of \$14.7 million and restricted cash and investments of \$4.0 million. We anticipate that our current cash and cash equivalents, short-term and long-term marketable securities, investments held by SEI, funds available under the Facility Agreement with the Deerfield Entities, and other funding that we expect to receive from collaborators, which assumes a moderate level of business development activity, will enable us to maintain our operations for a period of at least 12 months following the filing date of this report. Our goal is to be able to operate independently of the capital markets for a substantial period of time. However, our future capital requirements will be substantial and will depend on many factors that may require us to use available capital resources significantly earlier than we currently anticipate. These factors include:

repayment of our loan from GlaxoSmithKline In October 2002, we entered into a collaboration with GlaxoSmithKline, to discover and develop novel therapeutics in the areas of vascular biology, inflammatory disease and oncology. As part of the collaboration, we entered into a loan and security agreement with GlaxoSmithKline, pursuant to which we borrowed \$85.0 million for use in our efforts

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under the collaboration. The loan bears interest at a rate of 4.0% per annum and is secured by certain intellectual property, technology and equipment created or utilized pursuant to the collaboration. Principal and accrued interest under the loan becomes due in three annual installments, beginning on October 27, 2009. Repayment of all or any of the amounts advanced to us under this agreement may, at our election, be in the form of our common stock at fair market value, subject to certain conditions. As of December 31, 2008, the aggregate principal and interest outstanding under our GlaxoSmithKline loan was \$102.2 million. Following the conclusion on October 27, 2008 of the development term under our collaboration with GlaxoSmithKline, we are no longer eligible to receive selection milestone payments from GlaxoSmithKline to credit against outstanding loan amounts, and in the event the market price for our common stock is depressed, we may not be able to repay the loan in full using shares of our common stock due to restrictions in the agreement on the number of shares we may issue. In addition, the issuance of shares of our common stock to repay the loan may result in significant dilution to our stockholders. As a result, we may need to obtain additional funding, including from funds available under the Facility Agreement with the Deerfield Entities, to satisfy our repayment obligations, including the payment that is due on October 27, 2009. There can be no assurance that we will have sufficient funds to repay amounts outstanding under the loan when due or that we will satisfy the conditions to our ability to repay the loan in shares of our common stock.

whether and when we draw funds under our Facility Agreement with the Deerfield Entities In June 2008, we entered into the Facility Agreement with the Deerfield Entities pursuant to which the Deerfield Entities agreed to loan to us up to \$150.0 million, subject to certain conditions. We may draw down on the facility in \$15.0 million increments at any time until December 2009. The outstanding principal and interest under the loan, if any, is due by June 4, 2013, and, at our option, can be repaid at any time with shares of our common stock, subject to certain restrictions, or in cash. Interest under the loan does not accrue until we draw down on the facility, at which time interest will begin to accrue at a rate of 6.75% per annum compounded annually on the outstanding principal amount of the facility. The Deerfield Entities also have limited rights to accelerate repayment of the loan upon certain changes of control of Exelixis or an event of default. Pursuant to the Facility Agreement, we paid the Deerfield Entities a one time transaction fee of \$3.8 million, or 2.5% of the loan facility, and we are obligated to pay an annual commitment fee of \$3.4 million, or 2.25% of the loan facility, payable quarterly. If we draw down under the Facility Agreement, we would be required to issue to the Deerfield Entities additional warrants to purchase shares of our common stock. If we draw down under the Facility Agreement, there is no assurance that the conditions to our ability to repay the loan in shares of our common stock would be satisfied at the time that any outstanding principal and interest under the loan is due, in which case we would be obligated to repay the loan in cash, or that events permitting acceleration of the loan will not occur, in which event we would be required to repay any outstanding principal and interest sooner than anticipated;

the progress and scope of our collaborative and independent clinical trials and other research and development projects, including with respect to XL184, our most advanced asset. We expect to particularly focus our later stage development efforts on XL184, which is being studied in a variety of tumor types, with the goal of rapidly commercializing the compound. As described under

Corporate Collaborations Bristol-Myers Squibb 2008 Cancer Collaboration, in December 2008, we entered into a worldwide co-development collaboration with Bristol-Myers Squibb for the development and commercialization of XL184. The companies will share worldwide (except for Japan) development costs for XL184. We are responsible for 35% of such costs and Bristol-Myers Squibb is responsible for 65% of such costs, except that we are responsible to fund the initial \$100 million of combined costs and have the option to defer payments for development costs above certain thresholds. In return, we will share 50% of the commercial profits and losses (including pre-launch commercialization expenses) in the United States and have the option to co-promote XL184 in the United States. We have the right to defer payment for certain early commercialization and other related costs above certain thresholds. During the term of the collaboration, so long as we have not opted out of the co-development of XL184, there may be periods during which Bristol-Myers Squibb will partially reimburse us for certain research and development expenses, and other periods during which we will owe Bristol-Myers Squibb

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for research and development expenses that Bristol-Myers Squibb incurred on joint development projects, less amounts reimbursable to us by Bristol-Myers Squibb on these projects. On an annual basis, to the extent that net research and development funding payments are received from Bristol-Myers Squibb, these payments will be presented as collaboration revenue. In annual periods when net research and development funding payments are payable to Bristol-Myers Squibb, these payments will be presented as collaboration cost sharing expense. Generally, the direction of cash flows will depend on the level of development activity by either party, which may change during the development term. Our capital requirements will be impacted by the level of our expenses for the development activity conducted by us and the degree to which we will be required to make payments to, or we will receive payments from, Bristol-Myers Squibb. If we opt out of the co-development of XL184, we would have no further unreimbursed cost obligations;

the level of payments received under existing collaboration agreements, licensing agreements and other arrangements as well as our ability to enter into new collaboration agreements, licensing agreements and other arrangements that provide additional payments;

our ability to control costs;

our ability to remain in compliance with, or amend or cause to be waived, financial covenants contained in agreements with third parties;

the amount of our cash and cash equivalents and marketable securities that serve as collateral for bank lines of credit;

future clinical trial results;

our need to expand our product and clinical development efforts;

our ability to share the costs of our clinical development efforts with third parties;

the cost and timing of regulatory approvals;

the cost of clinical and research supplies of our product candidates;

the effect of competing technological and market developments;

the filing, maintenance, prosecution, defense and enforcement of patent claims and other intellectual property rights;

the cost of any acquisitions of or investments in businesses, products and technologies; and

the cost and timing of establishing or contracting for sales, marketing and distribution capabilities.

One or more of these factors or changes to our current operating plan may require us to use available capital resources significantly earlier than we anticipate. If our capital resources are insufficient to meet future capital requirements, we will have to raise additional funds. We may seek to raise funds through the sale of equity or debt securities or through external borrowings. In addition, we may enter into strategic partnerships for

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the development and commercialization of our compounds. However, we may be unable to raise sufficient additional capital when we need it, on favorable terms or at all. The sale of equity or convertible debt securities in the future may be dilutive to our stockholders, and debt-financing arrangements may require us to pledge certain assets and enter into covenants that would restrict certain business activities or our ability to incur further indebtedness, and may contain other terms that are not favorable to our stockholders or us. If we are unable to obtain adequate funds on reasonable terms, we may be required to curtail operations significantly or obtain funds by entering into financing, supply or collaboration agreements on unattractive terms or we may be required to relinquish rights to technology or product candidates or to grant licenses on terms that are unfavorable to us.

We will have to obtain additional funding in order to stay in compliance with financial covenants contained in agreements with third parties. For example, as part of our collaboration with GlaxoSmithKline, we entered into the loan and security agreement, which, as amended, contains financial covenants pursuant to which our

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working capital (the amount by which our current assets exceed our current liabilities as defined by the agreement, which excludes restricted cash and deferred revenue, but includes amounts available for borrowing under the Facility Agreement with the Deerfield Entities) must not be less than \$25.0 million and our cash and investments (total cash, cash equivalents and investments as defined by the agreement, which excludes restricted cash) must not be less than \$50.0 million. As of December 31, 2008, our working capital was \$321.0 million (including \$150.0 million available for borrowing under the Facility Agreement) and our cash and investments were \$280.2 million. If we were to default on the financial covenants under the loan and security agreement, GlaxoSmithKline may, among other remedies, declare immediately due and payable all obligations under the loan and security agreement. Outstanding borrowings and accrued interest under the loan and security agreement totaled \$102.2 million at December 31, 2008. Principal and accrued interest under the loan becomes due in three annual installments beginning on October 27, 2009. In addition, if our cash and cash equivalents and marketable securities on the last day of any calendar quarter are less than \$75.0 million, then we would be in default under the Facility Agreement with the Deerfield Entities, and the Deerfield Entities would have the right, among other remedies, to cancel our right to request disbursements and declare immediately due and payable any amounts accrued or payable under the Facility Agreement. If our cash reserves fall below \$80 million and we are unable to increase such cash reserves to \$80 million or more within 90 days, our co-development and co-promotion rights with respect to XL184 under our 2008 collaboration agreement with Bristol-Myers Squibb may be terminated. Cash reserves for purposes of our 2008 collaboration agreement with Bristol-Myers Squibb includes our total cash, cash equivalents and investments (excluding any restricted cash), plus the amount then available for borrowing by us under the Facility Agreement with the Deerfield Entities, as the same may be amended from time to time, and any other similar financing arrangements. If we cannot raise additional capital in order to remain in compliance with our financial covenants or if we are unable to renegotiate such covenants and the lender exercises its remedies under the agreement, we would not be able to operate under our current operating plan.

We have contractual obligations in the form of operating leases, notes payable and licensing agreements. The following chart details our contractual obligations as of December 31, 2008 (dollar amounts are presented in thousands):

Contractual Obligations(1)	Total	Payments Due by Period			
		Less than 1 year	1-3 Years	4-5 years	After 5 years
Notes payable and bank obligations	\$ 33,032	\$ 15,119	\$ 16,473	\$ 1,440	\$
Licensing agreements	638	488	150		
Convertible loans(2)	102,234	34,214	68,020		
Operating leases	162,979	19,615	37,868	38,493	67,003
Total contractual cash obligations	\$ 298,883	\$ 69,436	\$ 122,511	\$ 39,933	\$ 67,003

- (1) In June 2008, we entered into the Facility Agreement pursuant to which the Deerfield Entities agreed to loan to us up to \$150.0 million. We are obligated to pay an annual commitment fee of \$3.4 million or 2.25% of the loan facility, payable quarterly. We are under no obligation to draw down on the loan facility and at any time prior to any draw downs, we may terminate the loan facility without penalty. As a result, such amounts are not included in this table.
- (2) Includes interest payable on convertible loans of \$17.2 million as of December 31, 2008. Additional interest may accrue at 4% per annum. The debt and interest payable can be repaid in cash or common stock at our election. The development term under our collaboration with GlaxoSmithKline concluded on October 27, 2008, as scheduled. As a result of the development term ending as scheduled, the first payment of principal \$28.1 million plus accrued interest will be due in October 2009.

Excluded from the table above are obligations under our collaboration agreements with Bristol-Myers Squibb to co-develop and co-commercialize XL139, XL 413 and XL184 in the United States. As a result of these collaborations, we will be required to pay 35% of the worldwide development expenses. See Note 3 of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements for further information concerning these collaborations.

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Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In December 2007, the FASB issued EITF Issue No. 07-1, *Accounting for Collaborative Arrangements* (EITF 07-1). EITF 07-1 defines collaborative arrangements and requires that transactions with third parties that do not participate in the arrangement be reported in the appropriate income statement line items pursuant to the guidance in EITF 99-19, *Reporting Revenue Gross as a Principal versus Net as an Agent*. Income statement classifications of payments made between participants of a collaborative arrangement are to be based on other applicable authoritative accounting literature. If the payments are not within the scope or analogy of other authoritative accounting literature, a reasonable, rational and consistent accounting policy is to be elected. EITF 07-1 is to be applied retrospectively to all prior periods presented for all collaborative arrangements existing as of the effective date. The Company does not anticipate that the adoption of this statement will have a material impact on its financial position, results of operations, or cash flows.

In December 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 160, *Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Financial Statements* an amendment of Accounting Research Bulletin No. 51 (SFAS 160). SFAS 160 establishes accounting and reporting standards for ownership interests in subsidiaries held by parties other than the parent, the amount of consolidated net income attributable to the parent and to the noncontrolling interest, changes in a parent's ownership interest and the valuation of retained noncontrolling equity investments when a subsidiary is deconsolidated. SFAS 160 also establishes disclosure requirements that clearly identify and distinguish between the interests of the parent and the interests of the noncontrolling owners. SFAS 160 is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008, and will be adopted by us in the first quarter of fiscal 2009. Under current accounting standards, we do not allocate losses to the noncontrolling interest in SEI such that the carrying value of the noncontrolling interest is reduced below zero. Under SFAS 160, we could allocate losses to the noncontrolling interest in SEI such that the noncontrolling interest could have a negative carrying value.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

We do not have any off-balance sheet arrangements (as defined by applicable SEC regulations) that are reasonably likely to have a current or future material effect on our financial condition, results of operations, liquidity, capital expenditures or capital resources, except warrants and stock options. Our off-balance sheet arrangements are described in further detail in Notes 10 and 11 of the notes to our consolidated financial statements.

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ITEM 7A. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Our exposure to market risk for changes in interest rates relates primarily to our investment portfolio and our long-term debt. At December 31, 2008 and 2007, we had cash and cash equivalents, marketable securities, investments held by SEI and restricted cash and investments of \$284.2 million and \$299.5 million, respectively. Our marketable securities and investments are subject to interest rate risk, and our interest income may fluctuate due to changes in U.S. interest rates. By policy, we limit our investments to money market instruments, debt securities of U.S. government agencies and debt obligations of U.S. corporations. These securities are generally classified as available-for-sale and consequently are recorded on the balance sheet at fair value with unrealized gains or losses reported as a separate component of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net of estimated income taxes. We manage market risk through diversification requirements mandated by our investment policy, which limits the amount of our portfolio that can be invested in a single issuer. We manage credit risk by limiting our purchases to high-quality issuers. Through our money managers, we maintain risk management control systems to monitor interest rate risk. The risk management control systems use analytical techniques, including sensitivity analysis. At December 31, 2008 and 2007, we had debt outstanding of \$117.7 million and \$121.5 million, respectively. Our payment commitments associated with these debt instruments are fixed during the corresponding terms and are comprised of interest payments, principal payments or a combination thereof. The fair value of our debt will fluctuate with movements of interest rates, increasing in periods of declining rates of interest, and declining in periods of increasing rates of interest.

We have estimated the effects on our interest rate sensitive assets and liabilities based on a one-percentage point hypothetical adverse change in interest rates as of December 31, 2008 and 2007. As of December 31, 2008 and 2007, a decrease in the interest rates of one percentage point would have had a net adverse change in the fair value of interest rate sensitive assets and liabilities of \$1.3 million and \$1.4 million, respectively. We have assumed that the changes occur immediately and uniformly to each category of instrument containing interest rate risks. Significant variations in market interest rates could produce changes in the timing of repayments due to available prepayment options. The fair value of such instruments could be affected and, therefore, actual results might differ from our estimate.

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**ITEM 8. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY DATA
EXELIXIS, INC.**

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Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The Board of Directors and Stockholders of Exelixis, Inc.

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Exelixis, Inc. as of January 2, 2009 and December 28, 2007, and the related consolidated statements of operations, stockholders' equity (deficit) and cash flows for each of the three fiscal years in the period ended January 2, 2009. These financial statements are the responsibility of Exelixis, Inc.'s management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits 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. 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 audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of Exelixis, Inc. at January 2, 2009 and December 28, 2007, and the consolidated results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the three fiscal years in the period ended January 2, 2009, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the effectiveness of Exelixis, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting as of January 2, 2009, based on criteria established in *Internal Control - Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission and our report dated March 4, 2009 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

Palo Alto, California

March 4, 2009

Table of Contents**EXELIXIS, INC.****CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS**

(in thousands, except share data)

	December 31,	
	2008	2007
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 247,698	\$ 135,457
Marketable securities		105,153
Investments held by Symphony Evolution, Inc.	14,703	30,935
Other receivables	1,457	6,087
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	7,713	6,151
Total current assets	271,571	283,783
Restricted cash and investments	4,015	7,238
Long-term investments	17,769	20,747
Property and equipment, net	36,247	34,664
Goodwill	63,684	63,684
Other assets	8,336	2,004
Total assets	\$ 401,622	\$ 412,120
LIABILITIES, NONCONTROLLING INTEREST AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY (DEFICIT)		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 4,946	\$ 9,288
Accrued clinical trial liabilities	22,551	21,651
Other accrued liabilities	14,007	7,594
Accrued compensation and benefits	16,142	14,480
Current portion of notes payable and bank obligations	14,911	15,767
Current portion of convertible loans	28,050	
Deferred revenue	88,936	64,105
Total current liabilities	189,543	132,885
Notes payable and bank obligations	17,769	20,747
Convertible loans	56,950	85,000
Other long-term liabilities	22,620	24,924
Deferred revenue	171,001	63,053
Total liabilities	457,883	326,609
Noncontrolling interest in Symphony Evolution, Inc.	714	13,430
Commitments (Note 13)		
Stockholders' equity (deficit):		
Preferred stock, \$0.001 par value, 10,000,000 shares authorized and no shares issued		
Common stock, \$0.001 par value; 200,000,000 shares authorized; issued and outstanding: 106,331,183 and 104,744,732 shares at December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively	106	105
Additional paid-in-capital	897,423	863,127
Accumulated other comprehensive income		499
Accumulated deficit	(954,504)	(791,650)
Total stockholders' equity (deficit)	(56,975)	72,081

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Total liabilities, noncontrolling interest and stockholders equity (deficit)	\$ 401,622	\$ 412,120
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

Table of Contents**EXELIXIS, INC.****CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS****(in thousands, except per share data)**

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2008	2007	2006
Revenues:			
Contract	\$ 71,066	\$ 69,023	\$ 62,414
License	46,793	44,447	36,256
Total revenues	117,859	113,470	98,670
Operating expenses:			
Research and development	257,390	225,375	185,481
General and administrative	36,892	44,940	39,123
Amortization of intangible assets		202	820
Restructuring charge	2,890		
Total operating expenses	297,172	270,517	225,424
Loss from operations	(179,313)	(157,047)	(126,754)
Other income (expense):			
Interest income and other, net	5,935	13,055	8,546
Interest expense	(6,762)	(3,966)	(4,981)
Gain on sale of businesses	4,570	36,936	
Total other income (expense), net	3,743	46,025	3,565
Loss before noncontrolling interest in Symphony Evolution, Inc.	(175,570)	(111,022)	(123,189)
Loss attributed to noncontrolling interest in Symphony Evolution, Inc.	12,716	24,641	21,697
Net loss	\$ (162,854)	\$ (86,381)	\$ (101,492)
Net loss per share, basic and diluted	\$ (1.54)	\$ (0.87)	\$ (1.17)
Shares used in computing basic and diluted loss per share amounts	105,498	99,147	86,602

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

Table of Contents**EXELIXIS, INC.****CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY (DEFICIT)**

(in thousands, except share data)

	Common Stock Shares	Common Stock Amount	Additional Paid-in Capital	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income	Accumulated Deficit	Total Stockholders Equity (Deficit)
Balance at December 31, 2005	83,404,722	\$ 84	\$ 636,263	\$ 973	\$ (603,777)	\$ 33,543
Net loss					(101,492)	(101,492)
Decrease in unrealized loss on available-for-sale securities				405		405
Change in accumulated translation adjustment, net				(233)		(233)
Comprehensive loss						(101,320)
Issuance of common stock under stock plans	1,013,998		8,145			8,145
Issuance of common stock, net of offering costs	11,500,000	12	90,482			90,494
Issuance of warrants to Symphony Evolution Holdings, Inc.			3,984			3,984
Exercise of Warrant	71,428		81			81
Stock-based compensation expense			17,613			17,613
Balance at December 31, 2006	95,990,148	96	756,568	1,145	(705,269)	52,540
Net loss					(86,381)	(86,381)
Change in unrealized gains on available-for-sale securities				542		542
Change in cumulative translation adjustment				(1,188)		(1,188)
Comprehensive loss						(87,027)
Issuance of common stock under stock plans	1,754,584	2	14,508			14,510
Issuance of common stock, net of offering costs	7,000,000	7	71,883			71,890
Stock-based compensation expense			20,168			20,168
Balance at December 31, 2007	104,744,732	105	863,127	499	(791,650)	72,081
Net loss					(162,854)	(162,854)
Change in unrealized gains on available-for-sale securities				(499)		(499)
Comprehensive loss						(163,353)
Issuance of common stock under stock plans	1,586,451	1	7,951			7,952
Issuance of warrants to Deerfield			3,438			3,438
Stock-based compensation expense			22,907			22,907
Balance at December 31, 2008	106,331,183	\$ 106	\$ 897,423	\$	\$ (954,504)	\$ (56,975)

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

Table of Contents**EXELIXIS, INC.****CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS****(in thousands)**

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2008	2007	2006
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Net loss	\$ (162,854)	\$ (86,381)	\$ (101,492)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities:			
Depreciation and amortization	13,227	11,130	16,090
Loss attributed to noncontrolling interest	(12,716)	(24,641)	(21,697)
Stock-based compensation expense	22,907	20,168	17,613
Amortization of intangibles		202	820
Gain on sale of plant trait business and Artemis Pharmaceuticals	(4,570)	(36,936)	
Other	946	951	772
Changes in assets and liabilities:			
Other receivables	201	17,698	(15,090)
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	(1,562)	(2,965)	(645)
Other assets	(2,775)	(175)	644
Accounts payable and other accrued expenses	6,963	23,658	12,164
Other long-term liabilities	(2,304)	4,433	6,015
Deferred revenue	132,780	4,119	39,467
Net cash used in operating activities	(9,757)	(68,739)	(45,339)
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Purchases of investments held by Symphony Evolution, Inc.	(707)	(2,280)	(42,338)
Proceeds on sale of investments held by Symphony Evolution, Inc.	16,939	26,433	21,290
Purchases of property and equipment	(15,132)	(17,399)	(11,610)
Proceeds from sale of equipment			10
Proceeds on sale of plant trait business	9,000	18,000	
Proceeds on sale of Artemis Pharmaceuticals, net		17,309	
Decrease in restricted cash and investments	3,223	2,396	3,048
Proceeds on sale of marketable securities	58,818		
Proceeds from maturities of marketable securities	51,181	156,339	99,641
Purchases of marketable securities	(1,954)	(203,817)	(91,742)
Net cash provided (used) in investing activities	121,368	(3,019)	(21,701)
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Proceeds from the issuance of common stock, net of offering costs		71,890	90,482
Proceeds from exercise of stock options and warrants	310	8,301	3,275
Proceeds from employee stock purchase plan	4,154	3,567	2,783
Payments on capital lease obligations			(98)
Proceeds from notes payable and bank obligations	13,619	12,632	14,791
Principal payments on notes payable and bank obligations	(17,453)	(12,142)	(41,889)
Proceeds from purchase of noncontrolling interest by preferred shareholders in Symphony Evolution, Inc., net of fees			40,000
Net cash provided by financing activities	630	84,248	109,344
Effect of foreign exchange rates on cash and cash equivalents		(402)	(263)

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Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	112,241	12,088	42,041
Cash and cash equivalents, at beginning of year	135,457	123,369	81,328
Cash and cash equivalents, at end of year	\$ 247,698	\$ 135,457	\$ 123,369
Supplemental cash flow disclosure:			
Cash paid for interest	\$ 355	\$ 597	\$ 2,634
Warrants issued in conjunction with the Symphony Evolution, Inc. financing			3,984
Warrants issued in conjunction with Deerfield financing agreement	3,438		
The accompany notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.			

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NOTE 1. ORGANIZATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Organization

Exelixis, Inc. (Exelixis, we, our or us) is committed to developing innovative therapies for cancer and other serious diseases. Through our drug discovery and development activities, we are building a portfolio of novel compounds that we believe have the potential to be high-quality, differentiated pharmaceutical products. Our most advanced pharmaceutical programs focus on drug discovery and development of small molecule drugs for cancer.

Basis of Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Exelixis and our wholly owned subsidiaries as well as one variable interest entity, Symphony Evolution, Inc., for which we are the primary beneficiary as defined by Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Interpretation No. 46 (revised 2003), *Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities* (FIN 46R). All significant intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated. We have determined that Artemis Pharmaceuticals GmbH, our German subsidiary, was an operating segment. Selected segment information is provided in Note 2 of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

In 2006, Exelixis adopted a 52- or 53-week fiscal year that ends on the Friday closest to December 31st. Fiscal year 2006, a 52-week year, ended on December 29, 2006, fiscal year 2007, a 52-week year, ended on December 28, 2007, fiscal year 2008, a 53-week year, ended on January 2, 2009, and fiscal year 2009, a 52-week year, will end on January 1, 2010. For convenience, references in this report as of and for the fiscal years ended December 29, 2006, December 28, 2007, and January 2, 2009 are indicated on a calendar year basis, ending December 31, 2006, 2007 and 2008, respectively.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (GAAP) requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ significantly from those estimates.

Cash and Investments

We consider all highly liquid investments purchased with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents. We invest in high-grade, short-term commercial paper and money market funds, which are subject to minimal credit and market risk.

Investments held by Symphony Evolution, Inc. consist of investments in money market funds. As of December 31, 2008 and 2007, we had investments held by Symphony Evolution, Inc. of \$14.7 million and \$30.9 million, respectively.

All marketable securities are classified as available-for-sale and are carried at fair value. We view our available-for-sale portfolio as available for use in current operations. Accordingly, we have classified certain investments as short-term marketable securities, even though the stated maturity date may be one year or more

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beyond the current balance sheet date. Available-for-sale securities are stated at fair value based upon quoted market prices of the securities. We have classified certain investments as cash and cash equivalents or marketable securities that collateralize loan balances, however they are not restricted to withdrawal. Unrealized gains and losses on available-for-sale investments are reported as a separate component of stockholders equity. Realized gains and losses, net, on available-for-sale securities are included in interest income. The cost of securities sold is based on the specific identification method. Interest and dividends on securities classified as available-for-sale are included in interest income.

The following summarizes available-for-sale securities included in cash and cash equivalents and restricted cash and investments as of December 31, 2008 (in thousands):

	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value
Money market funds	\$ 270,147	\$	\$	\$ 270,147
Total	\$ 270,147	\$	\$	\$ 270,147
	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value
As reported:				
Cash equivalents	\$ 266,132	\$	\$	\$ 266,132
Restricted cash and investments	4,015			4,015
Total	\$ 270,147	\$	\$	\$ 270,147

As of December 31, 2008, we did not have any short-term or long-term marketable securities.

The following summarizes available-for-sale securities included in cash and cash equivalents, short-term and long-term marketable securities and restricted cash and investments as of December 31, 2007 (in thousands):

	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value
Money market funds	\$ 79,360	\$	\$	\$ 79,360
Commercial paper	68,816	21	(12)	68,825
Corporate bonds	68,614	471	(12)	69,073
U.S. Government agency securities	51,977	32	(1)	52,008
Total	\$ 268,767	\$ 524	\$ (25)	\$ 269,266
	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value
As reported:				
Cash equivalents	\$ 136,124	\$ 16	\$ (12)	\$ 136,128

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Marketable securities	104,658	508	(13)	105,153
Long-term marketable securities	20,747			20,747
Restricted cash and investments	7,238			7,238
Total	\$ 268,767	\$ 524	\$ (25)	\$ 269,266

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As of December 31, 2008, there were no unrealized gains and losses on investments. During 2008, we recognized gross gains and losses of \$0.4 million and \$0.1 million, respectively, on sales of our investments.

Fair Value Measurements

As of January 1, 2008, we adopted FASB Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 157, *Fair Value Measurements* (SFAS 157). SFAS 157 established a framework for measuring fair value in GAAP and clarified the definition of fair value within that framework. SFAS 157 does not require any new fair value measurements in GAAP. SFAS 157 introduced, or reiterated, a number of key concepts which form the foundation of the fair value measurement approach to be utilized for financial reporting purposes. The fair value of our financial instruments reflect the amounts that would be received upon sale of an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date (exit price). SFAS 157 also established a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the use of inputs used in valuation techniques into the following three levels:

Level 1 quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities.

Level 2 observable inputs other than quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities.

Level 3 unobservable inputs.

The adoption of SFAS 157 did not have a material effect on our financial condition and results of operations, but SFAS 157 introduced new disclosures about how we value certain assets and liabilities. Much of the disclosure requirement is focused on the inputs used to measure fair value, particularly in instances where the measurement uses significant unobservable (Level 3) inputs. Our financial instruments are valued using quoted prices in active markets or based upon other observable inputs. The following table sets forth the fair value of our financial assets that were measured on a recurring basis as of December 31, 2007 and 2008, respectively (in thousands):

As of December 31, 2008:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Money market funds	\$ 270,147	\$	\$	\$ 270,147
Investments held by Symphony Evolution, Inc.	14,703			14,703
Total	\$ 284,850	\$	\$	\$ 284,850

As of December 31, 2007:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Money market funds	\$ 79,360	\$ 189,906	\$	\$ 269,266
Investments held by Symphony	30,935			30,935
Total	\$ 110,295	\$ 189,906	\$	\$ 300,201

Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are recorded at cost and depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Equipment and furniture	5 years
Computer equipment and software	3 years
Leasehold improvements	Shorter of lease life or 7 years
Repairs and maintenance costs are charged to expense as incurred.	

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Goodwill amounts have been recorded as the excess purchase price over tangible assets, liabilities and intangible assets acquired based on their estimated fair value, by applying the purchase method. Under GAAP, we evaluate goodwill for impairment on an annual basis and on an interim basis if events or changes in circumstances between annual impairment tests indicate that the asset might be impaired. When evaluating goodwill for impairment we must determine the reporting units that exist within Exelixis. We determined that our reporting units are consistent with our operating segments. We have allocated goodwill to our reporting units based on the relative fair value of the reporting units. We also evaluate other intangible assets for impairment when impairment indicators are identified.

Other intangible assets have been amortized using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Developed technology	5 years
Patents/core technology	15 years
Assembled workforce	2 years

Long-lived Assets

The carrying value of our long-lived assets is reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the asset may not be recoverable. An impairment loss would be recognized when estimated future cash flows expected to result from the use of the asset and its eventual disposition is less than its carrying amount. Long-lived assets include property and equipment and identified intangible assets.

Fair Value of Financial Instruments

Our cash equivalents and marketable securities are carried at fair value. We have estimated the fair value of our long-term debt instruments using the net present value of the payments discounted at an interest rate that is consistent with our current borrowing rate for similar long-term debt. We have outstanding balances associated with our \$85.0 million convertible loan with GlaxoSmithKline and our equipment lines of credit of \$32.4 million as of December 31, 2008. These items are described in further detail in Note 9 of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements. We estimated the fair value of our convertible loan with GlaxoSmithKline to be \$77.1 million and \$73.4 million as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively. We estimated the fair value of our equipment lines of credit to be \$30.4 million and \$30.6 million as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

Concentration of Credit Risk

Financial instruments that potentially subject us to concentrations of credit risk are primarily cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable and investments in marketable securities. Cash equivalents and marketable securities consist of money market funds, taxable commercial paper, corporate bonds with high credit quality and U.S. government agency obligations. Investments held by Symphony Evolution, Inc. consist of investments in money market funds. All cash and cash equivalents, marketable securities and investments held by Symphony Evolution, Inc. are maintained with financial institutions that management believes are creditworthy. Other

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receivables are typically unsecured and are concentrated in the pharmaceutical and biotechnology industries. Accordingly, we may be exposed to credit risk generally associated with pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies. We have incurred no bad debt expense since inception.

The following table sets forth revenues recognized under our collaboration agreements that exceed 10% of total revenues during the years ending December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006:

Collaborator	2008	2007	2006
Bristol-Myers Squibb	46%	35%	22%
GlaxoSmithKline	37%	24%	28%
Genentech	17%	16%	6%
Daiichi-Sankyo	0%	10%	15%
Wyeth	0%	2%	14%

Revenue Recognition

License, research commitment and other non-refundable payments received in connection with research collaboration agreements are deferred and recognized on a straight-line basis over the period of continuing involvement, generally the research term specified in the agreement. Contract research revenues are recognized as services are performed pursuant to the terms of the agreements. Any amounts received in advance of performance are recorded as deferred revenue. Payments are not refundable if research is not successful.

We enter into corporate collaborations under which we may obtain up-front license fees, research funding, and contingent milestone payments and royalties. We evaluate whether the delivered elements under these arrangements have value to our collaboration partner on a stand-alone basis and whether objective and reliable evidence of fair value of the undelivered item exists. Deliverables that do not meet these criteria are not evaluated separately for the purpose of revenue recognition. For a combined unit of accounting, non-refundable up-front fees and milestones are recognized in a manner consistent with the final deliverable, which is generally ratably over the research period.

Milestone payments are non-refundable and recognized as revenues over the period of the research arrangement. This typically results in a portion of the milestone being recognized at the date the milestone is achieved, which portion is equal to the applicable percentage of the research term that has elapsed at the date the milestone is achieved, and the balance being recognized over the remaining research term of the agreement. In certain situations, we may receive milestone payments after the end of our period of continued involvement. In such circumstances, we would recognize 100% of the milestone revenue when the milestone is achieved.

Collaborative agreement reimbursement revenue is recorded as earned based on the performance requirements under the respective contracts. For arrangements in which we and our collaborative partner are active participants in the agreement and for which both parties are exposed to significant risks and rewards depending on the commercial success of the activity, we present payments between the parties on a net basis. On an annual basis, to the extent that net research and development funding payments are received, Exelixis will record the net cash inflow as revenue. In annual periods when the net research and development funding payments result in a payable, these amounts are presented as collaboration cost-sharing expense.

Revenues from chemistry collaborations are generally recognized upon the delivery of accepted compounds.

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Research and development costs are expensed as incurred and include costs associated with research performed pursuant to collaborative agreements. Research and development costs consist of direct and indirect internal costs related to specific projects as well as fees paid to other entities that conduct certain research activities on our behalf.

Substantial portions of our preclinical studies and all of our clinical trials have been performed by third-party contract research organizations (CROs) and other vendors. We accrue expenses for preclinical studies performed by our vendors based on certain estimates over the term of the service period and adjust our estimates as required. We accrue costs for clinical trial activities performed by CROs based upon the estimated amount of work completed on each study. For clinical trial expenses, the significant factors used in estimating accruals include the number of patients enrolled, the number of active clinical sites, and the duration for which the patients will be enrolled in the study. We monitor patient enrollment levels and related activities to the extent possible through internal reviews, correspondence with CROs and review of contractual terms. We base our estimates on the best information available at the time. However, additional information may become available to us which will allow us to make a more accurate estimate in future periods. In this event, we may be required to record adjustments to research and development expenses in future periods when the actual level of activity becomes more certain, such increases or decreases in cost are generally considered to be changes in estimates and will be reflected in research and development expenses in the period first known.

Net Loss Per Share

Basic and diluted net loss per share are computed by dividing the net loss for the period by the weighted average number of shares of common stock outstanding during the period. The calculation of diluted net loss per share excludes potential common stock because their effect is antidilutive. Potential common stock consists of incremental common shares issuable upon the exercise of stock options and warrants and shares issuable upon conversion of our convertible loans.

The following table sets forth potential shares of common stock that are not included in the computation of diluted net loss per share because to do so would be antidilutive for the years ended December 31:

	2008	2007	2006
Options to purchase common stock	24,141,186	20,718,661	17,210,626
Conversion of loans	32,133,864	11,315,160	10,769,781
Warrants	2,500,000	1,500,000	1,500,000
	58,775,050	33,533,821	29,480,407

Foreign Currency Translation

Exelixis former subsidiary located in Germany operated using the local currency as the functional currency. Accordingly, all assets and liabilities of this subsidiary were translated using exchange rates in effect at the end of the period, and revenues and expenses were translated using average exchange rates for the period. The resulting translation adjustments were presented as a separate component of accumulated other comprehensive income. In November 2007, we sold 80.1% of our subsidiary located in Germany and as a result we removed from accumulated other comprehensive income the cumulative translation adjustment of \$1.0 million and reported this as part of the gain on the sale of the subsidiary in 2007.

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We account for stock based compensation under Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123 (revised 2004), *Share-Based Payment*, (SFAS 123R). Stock-based compensation expense for all stock-based compensation awards is based on the grant date fair value estimated using the Black-Scholes option pricing model. We have limited historical information available to support the underlying estimates of certain assumptions required to value stock options. Because there is a market for options on our common stock, we have considered implied volatilities as well as our historical realized volatilities when developing an estimate of expected volatility. The expected option term also has a significant effect on the value of the option. The longer the term, the more time the option holder has to allow the stock price to increase without a cash investment and thus, the more valuable the option. However, empirical data shows that employees, for a variety of reasons, typically do not wait until the end of the contractual term of a nontransferable option to exercise. Accordingly, companies are required to estimate the expected term of the option for input to an option-pricing model. We estimate the term using historical data and peer data. We recognize compensation expense on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period. We have elected to use the simplified method to calculate the beginning pool of excess tax benefits as described in FASB FSP 123(R)-3.

We have employee and director stock option plans that are more fully described in Note 11 of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

Comprehensive Loss

Comprehensive loss represents net loss plus the results of certain stockholders' equity changes, which are comprised of unrealized gains and losses on available-for-sale securities and cumulative translation adjustments, not reflected in the consolidated statement of operations.

Comprehensive loss is as follows (in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2008	2007	2006
Net loss	\$ (162,854)	\$ (86,381)	\$ (101,492)
(Decrease)/increase in net unrealized gains on available-for-sale securities	(185)	514	331
Reclassification for unrealized losses/(gains) on marketable securities recognized in earnings	(314)	28	74
Decrease in cumulative translation adjustment		(162)	(233)
Reclassification adjustment for the cumulative translation adjustment upon the sale of Artemis Pharmaceuticals		(1,026)	
Comprehensive loss	\$ (163,353)	\$ (87,027)	\$ (101,320)

The components of accumulated other comprehensive income are as follows (in thousands):

	December 31,		
	2008	2007	2006
Unrealized gains (losses) on available-for-sale securities	\$	\$ 499	\$ (44)
Cumulative translation adjustment			1,189
Accumulated other comprehensive income	\$	\$ 499	\$ 1,145

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In December 2007, the FASB issued EITF Issue No. 07-1, *Accounting for Collaborative Arrangements* (EITF 07-1). EITF 07-1 defines collaborative arrangements and requires that transactions with third parties that do not participate in the arrangement be reported in the appropriate income statement line items pursuant to the guidance in EITF 99-19, *Reporting Revenue Gross as a Principal versus Net as an Agent*. Income statement classification of payments made between participants of a collaborative arrangement are to be based on other applicable authoritative accounting literature. If the payments are not within the scope or analogy of other authoritative accounting literature, a reasonable, rational and consistent accounting policy is to be elected. EITF 07-1 is to be applied retrospectively to all prior periods presented for all collaborative arrangements existing as of the effective date. The Company does not anticipate that the adoption of this statement will have a material impact on its financial position, results of operations, or cash flows.

In December 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 160, *Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Financial Statements* an amendment of Accounting Research Bulletin No. 51 (SFAS 160). SFAS 160 establishes accounting and reporting standards for ownership interests in subsidiaries held by parties other than the parent, the amount of consolidated net income attributable to the parent and to the noncontrolling interest, changes in a parent's ownership interest and the valuation of retained noncontrolling equity investments when a subsidiary is deconsolidated. SFAS 160 also establishes disclosure requirements that clearly identify and distinguish between the interests of the parent and the interests of the noncontrolling owners. SFAS 160 is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008, and will be adopted by us in the first quarter of fiscal 2009. Under current accounting standards, we do not allocate losses to the noncontrolling interest in SEI such that the carrying value of the noncontrolling interest is reduced below zero. Under SFAS 160, we could allocate losses to the noncontrolling interest in SEI such that the noncontrolling interest could have a negative carrying value.

NOTE 2. DISPOSITIONS**Sale of Plant Trait Business**

On September 4, 2007, we entered into an asset purchase and license agreement, or APA, with Agrigenetics, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Dow Chemical Company, or Agrigenetics. Under the terms of the APA, we sold to Agrigenetics a major portion of our assets used for crop trait discovery, including a facility, and granted to Agrigenetics licenses to certain other related assets and intellectual property. As consideration for these assets and licenses, Agrigenetics paid us \$18.0 million upon execution and \$4.5 million in September 2008, for an aggregate of \$22.5 million. Under the APA, we have agreed to indemnify Agrigenetics and its affiliates up to a specified amount if they incur damages due to any infringement or alleged infringement of certain patents.

Concurrently with the execution of the APA, we also entered into a contract research agreement, or the CRA, with Agrigenetics. Agrigenetics has agreed to pay us up to \$24.7 million in research and development funding over the term of the CRA. The research funding will cover employee costs, facilities expenses and capital expenditures. After September 4, 2007, the closing date for the transaction, the research and development funding to be received over the term of the CRA will be recognized as a reduction to expenses incurred by us in connection with our performance under the CRA. In order for us to perform our obligations under the CRA, we are leasing at no cost the facility that Agrigenetics acquired under the APA. In addition to the \$22.5 million consideration above, in September 2008, we received \$4.5 million from Agrigenetics as contingent consideration upon development of a designated additional asset. We recognized this payment as additional gain on the sale of the business. We are also entitled to receive additional payments of up to \$9.0 million from Agrigenetics if we

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achieve the development of up to two designated assets during the term of the CRA. If development of either of the designated assets is completed, the related payment will be treated as additional proceeds from the sale of our plant trait business.

The term of the CRA is five years, unless earlier terminated. Agrigenetics may terminate the CRA if we fail to complete the development of any of the three designated assets within our respective specified research periods or if we fail to cure a material breach within specified time periods. Following our development and transfer to Agrigenetics of the second designated asset, either party may terminate the CRA upon expiration of a specified notice period. In the event that the CRA is terminated prior to the end of the term, we will receive less than the maximum amount of research and development funding described above.

The transaction was accounted for as a sale of our plant trait business and we initially recognized a gain of \$18.8 million, net of \$0.2 million in transaction costs. The gain primarily consists of a purchase price of \$22.5 million, less a net book value of \$0.3 million of property and equipment, \$2.1 million of intangible assets (acquired patents) and the derecognition of \$1.4 million of goodwill. We allocated goodwill to the disposed business based on the relative fair value of our plant trait business to Exelixis (excluding the value of the Artemis Pharmaceuticals reporting unit) on September 4, 2007, the closing date for the transaction.

Artemis Pharmaceuticals

On November 20, 2007 (the Taconic Closing Date), we entered into a share sale and transfer agreement with Taconic Farms, Inc., or Taconic, pursuant to which Taconic acquired from Exelixis, for \$19.8 million in cash, 80.1% of the outstanding share capital in our wholly-owned subsidiary, Artemis, located in Cologne, Germany. Artemis activities are directed toward providing transgenic mouse generation services, tools and related licenses to the industrial and academic community. In December 2008, we recognized an additional \$70,000 purchase price adjustment resulting in additional gain on the 2007 sale of Artemis.

We also entered into a Shareholders Agreement and amended articles of association that govern the relationship between Exelixis and Taconic as shareholders of Artemis, particularly with respect to matters of corporate governance and the transfer of their respective ownership interests. The Shareholders Agreement provides that we may require Taconic to purchase our remaining 19.9% interest in Artemis (the Minority Interest) between 2010 and 2015 or in the event of a change in control of Taconic, and that Taconic may require us to sell our Minority Interest to Taconic between 2013 and 2015 or in the event of a change in control of Exelixis, in each case subject to certain conditions set forth in the shareholders agreement. The amended articles of association provide for the establishment of a shareholders committee, in which we participate based on our 19.9% ownership, to assist in the management of Artemis.

The sale of 80.1% of Artemis was accounted for as a sale of a business. We recognized a gain of \$18.1 million, net of \$1.6 million in transaction costs. The gain primarily consists of cash received of \$19.8 million, plus \$2.5 million relating to the elimination of the cumulative foreign currency translation adjustment and the elimination of net liabilities, less \$0.3 million of intangible assets (acquired patents) and derecognition of \$2.3 million of goodwill. In December 2008, we received a final purchase price adjustment of approximately \$0.1 million which we recognized as additional gain on sale. As we believe we have significant influence over the operations of Artemis through our rights under the Shareholders Agreement and the amended articles of association, we will account for our remaining 19.9% equity interest in Artemis under the equity method of accounting. We will subsequently adjust our investment balance to recognize our share of future Artemis earnings or losses after the Taconic Closing Date. As of December 31, 2008, the carrying value of our investment in Artemis was approximately \$151,000 and we recognized approximately \$121,000 in annual income as a result of our 19.9% equity interest.

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Artemis revenues and net income (loss) after the effect of all intercompany eliminations are as follows (in thousands):

	For the Year Ended December 31		
	2008	2007(1)	2006
Revenues	\$	\$ 11,234	\$ 7,920
Net income (loss)	\$	\$ 1,210	\$ (1,036)

(1) The revenues and net income for the year ended December 31, 2007 only include revenues through November 20, 2007, the Closing Date.

NOTE 3. RESEARCH AND COLLABORATION AGREEMENTS**Bristol-Myers Squibb***2008 Cancer Collaboration*

In December 2008, we entered into a worldwide collaboration with Bristol-Myers Squibb on two of our novel cancer programs: one associated with XL184 and the other associated with XL281. Upon effectiveness of the agreement in December 2008, Bristol-Myers Squibb paid us an upfront cash payment of \$195.0 million for the development and commercialization rights to both programs. Bristol-Myers Squibb is also required to make additional license payments of \$45.0 million in 2009.

We and Bristol-Myers Squibb have agreed to co-develop XL184, which may include a backup program for XL184. The companies will share worldwide (except for Japan) development costs for XL184. We are responsible for 35% of such costs and Bristol-Myers Squibb is responsible for 65% of such costs, except that we are responsible for funding the initial \$100.0 million of combined costs and have the option to defer payments for development costs above certain thresholds. In return, we will share 50% of the commercial profits and losses (including pre-launch commercialization expenses) in the United States and have the option to co-promote XL184 in the United States. We have the right to defer payment for certain early commercialization and other related costs above certain thresholds. We are eligible to receive sales performance milestones of up to \$150.0 million and double-digit royalties on sales on XL184 outside the United States. The clinical development of XL184 is directed by a joint committee. It is anticipated that we will conduct certain clinical development activities for XL184. We may opt out of the co-development for XL184, in which case we would instead be eligible to receive development and regulatory milestones of up to \$295.0 million, double-digit royalties on XL184 product sales worldwide and sales performance milestones. Our co-development and co-promotion rights may be terminated in the event that we have cash reserves below \$80.0 million and we are unable to increase such cash reserves to \$80.0 million or more within 90 days, in which case we would receive development and regulatory milestones, sales milestones and double-digit royalties, instead of sharing product profits on XL184 in the United States. Cash reserves includes our total cash, cash equivalents and investments (excluding any restricted cash), plus the amount then available for borrowing by us under the Facility Agreement with the Deerfield Entities, as the same may be amended from time to time, and any other similar financing arrangements. Our co-promotion rights on XL184 in the United States, and possibly our right to share product profits on XL184, may be terminated in the event we undergo certain change of control transactions. Bristol-Myers Squibb may, upon certain prior notice to us, terminate the agreement as to products containing XL184 or XL281. In the event of such termination election, Bristol-Myers Squibb's license relating to such product would terminate and revert to us, and we would receive, subject to certain terms and conditions, licenses from Bristol-Myers Squibb to research, develop and commercialize such products.

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Bristol-Myers Squibb received an exclusive worldwide license to develop and commercialize XL281. We will carry out certain clinical trials of XL281 which may include a backup program on XL281. Bristol-Myers Squibb is responsible for funding all future development on XL281, including our activities. We are eligible for development and regulatory milestones of up to \$315.0 million on XL281, sales performance milestones of up to \$150.0 million and double-digit royalties on worldwide sales of XL281.

2007 Cancer Collaboration

In December 2006, we entered into a worldwide collaboration with Bristol-Myers Squibb, which became effective in January 2007, to discover, develop and commercialize novel targeted therapies for the treatment of cancer. We are responsible for discovery and preclinical development of small molecule drug candidates directed against mutually selected targets. In January 2007, Bristol-Myers Squibb made an upfront payment of \$60.0 million to us for which we granted Bristol-Myers Squibb the right to select up to three IND candidates from six future Exelixis compounds. We are recognizing the upfront payment as revenue over the estimated four-year research term.

For each IND candidate selected, we are entitled to receive a \$20.0 million selection milestone from Bristol-Myers Squibb. Once selected, Bristol-Myers Squibb will lead the further development and commercialization of the selected IND candidates. In addition, we have the right to opt in to co-promote the selected IND candidates, in which case we will equally share all development costs and profits in the United States. If we opt-in, we will be responsible for 35% of all development costs related to clinical trials intended to support regulatory approval in both the United States and the rest of the world (except for Japan), with the remaining 65% to be paid by Bristol-Myers Squibb. We have the right to defer payment for certain development costs above certain thresholds. If we do not opt in to co-promote the selected IND candidates, we would be entitled to receive milestones and royalties in lieu of profits from sales in the United States. Outside of the United States, Bristol-Myers Squibb will have primary responsibility for development activities and we will be entitled to receive royalties on product sales. After exercising its co-development option, Bristol-Myers Squibb may, upon notice to us, terminate the agreement as to any product containing or comprising the selected candidate. In the event of such termination election, Bristol-Myers Squibb's license relating to such product would terminate and revert to us, and we would receive, subject to certain terms and conditions, licenses from Bristol-Myers Squibb to research, develop and commercialize certain collaboration compounds that were discovered.

In January 2008 and November 2008, Bristol-Myers Squibb exercised its option under the collaboration to develop and commercialize XL139 and XL413, respectively. Under the terms of the collaboration agreement, the selection of XL139 and XL413 by Bristol-Myers Squibb entitled us to a milestone payment of \$20.0 million each, which we received in February 2008 and December 2008, respectively. In addition, we exercised our option under the collaboration agreement to co-develop and co-commercialize each of XL139 and XL413 in the United States. Bristol-Myers Squibb is leading all global activities with respect to XL139 and XL413. The parties will co-develop and co-commercialize each of XL139 and XL413 in the United States and expect to, subject to exercising our co-promotion option, share those profits 50/50. The parties will share U.S. commercialization expenses 50/50 and we will be responsible for 35% of global (except for Japan) development costs, with the remaining 65% to be paid by Bristol-Myers Squibb. We have the right to defer payment for certain development costs above certain thresholds. We will be entitled to receive double-digit royalties on product sales outside of the United States.

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In December 2005, we entered into a collaboration agreement with Bristol-Myers Squibb for the discovery, development and commercialization of novel therapies targeted against LXR, a nuclear hormone receptor implicated in a variety of cardiovascular and metabolic disorders. This agreement became effective in January 2006, at which time we granted Bristol-Myers Squibb an exclusive, worldwide license with respect to certain intellectual property primarily relating to compounds that modulate LXR. During the research term, we expect to jointly identify drug candidates with Bristol-Myers Squibb that are ready for IND-enabling studies. After the selection of a drug candidate for further clinical development by Bristol-Myers Squibb, Bristol-Myers Squibb has agreed to be solely responsible for further preclinical development as well as clinical development, regulatory, manufacturing and sales/marketing activities for the selected drug candidate. After Bristol-Myers Squibb's selection, except in certain termination scenarios described below, we would not have rights to reacquire the selected drug candidate.

Under the collaboration agreement, Bristol-Myers Squibb paid us a nonrefundable upfront payment in the amount of \$17.5 million and was obligated to provide research and development funding of \$10.0 million per year for an initial research period of two years. In September 2007, the collaboration was extended at Bristol-Myers Squibb's request through January 12, 2009, and in November 2008, the collaboration was extended at Bristol-Myers Squibb's request through January 12, 2010. The upfront payment and the research and development funding will be recognized as revenue over the research period.

Under the collaboration agreement, Bristol-Myers Squibb is required to pay us development and regulatory milestones of up to \$140.0 million per product for up to two products from the collaboration. In addition, we are also entitled to receive sales milestones and royalties on sales of any products commercialized under the collaboration. In connection with the extension of the collaboration through January 2009, Bristol-Myers Squibb paid us additional research funding of approximately \$7.7 million, and in connection with the extension of the collaboration through January 2010, Bristol-Myers Squibb is obligated to pay us additional research funding totaling approximately \$5.8 million, which is payable in quarterly installments over the additional research term. Bristol-Myers Squibb has the option to terminate the collaboration agreement at any time after January 2008, in which case Bristol-Myers Squibb's payment obligations would cease, its license relating to compounds that modulate LXR would terminate and revert to us, and we would receive, subject to certain terms and conditions, licenses from Bristol-Myers Squibb to research, develop and commercialize certain collaboration compounds that were discovered under the collaboration agreement. In December 2007, we received \$5.0 million for achieving a development milestone.

2001 Cancer Collaboration

In July 2001, we entered into a cancer collaboration agreement with Bristol-Myers Squibb. Under the terms of the collaboration, Bristol-Myers Squibb paid us a \$5.0 million upfront license fee and agreed to provide us with \$3.0 million per year in research funding for a minimum of three years. In December 2003, the cancer collaboration was extended until January 2007, at which time Bristol-Myers Squibb elected to continue the collaboration until July 2009. The goal of the extension was to increase the total number and degree of validation of cancer targets that we will deliver to Bristol-Myers Squibb. Each company will maintain the option to obtain exclusive worldwide rights to equal numbers of validated targets arising from the collaboration. Under the terms of the extended collaboration, Bristol-Myers Squibb provided us with an upfront payment and agreed to provide increased annual research funding and milestones on certain cancer targets arising from the collaboration that progress through specified stages of validation. We will also be entitled to receive milestones on compounds in the event of successful clinical and regulatory events and royalties on commercialized products.

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Genentech

MEK Collaboration

In December 2006, we entered into a worldwide co-development agreement with Genentech for the development and commercialization of XL518, a small-molecule inhibitor of MEK. Genentech paid upfront and milestone payments of \$25.0 million in December 2006 and \$15.0 million in January 2007 upon signing of the co-development agreement and with the submission of an IND for XL518. We expect to recognize the upfront and milestone payments as revenue over the estimated research term of three years. We initiated a phase 1 clinical trial of XL518 in the first quarter of 2007, and enrollment in this trial is ongoing.

Under the terms of the co-development agreement, we are responsible for developing XL518 through the end of a phase 1 clinical trial, and Genentech has the option to co-develop XL518, which Genentech may exercise after receipt of certain phase 1 data from us. In March 2008, Genentech exercised its option, triggering a payment to us of \$3.0 million, which we received in April 2008. We will continue to be responsible for the phase 1 clinical trial until the point that a maximum tolerated dose, or MTD, is determined. After MTD is achieved, we will be required grant to Genentech an exclusive worldwide revenue-bearing license to XL518 and Genentech will be responsible for completing the phase 1 clinical trial and subsequent clinical development. We reached the MTD for XL518 in early 2009 and expect to transfer the compound to Genentech in March 2009. Another \$7.0 million is due to us when a phase 2 program is initiated by Genentech. Genentech will be responsible for all further development costs of XL518 and we will share equally in the U.S. commercialization costs. On an annual basis, we are entitled to an initial equal share of U.S. profits and losses, which will decrease as sales increase, and we are also entitled to royalties on non-U.S. sales. We also have the option to co-promote in the United States. Genentech has the right to terminate the agreement without cause at any time. If Genentech terminates the co-development agreement without cause, all licenses that were granted to Genentech under the agreement terminate and revert to us. Additionally, we would receive, subject to certain conditions, licenses from Genentech to research, develop and commercialize reverted product candidates.

Cancer Collaboration

In May 2005, we established a collaboration agreement with Genentech to discover and develop therapeutics for the treatment of cancer, inflammatory diseases, and tissue growth and repair. Under the terms of the collaboration agreement, we granted to Genentech a license to certain intellectual property. Genentech paid us a nonrefundable upfront license payment and was obligated to provide research and development funding over the three-year research term, totaling \$16.0 million. The upfront license payment and the research and development funding are being recognized as revenue over the research term.

Under the collaboration agreement, Genentech has primary responsibility in the field of cancer for research and development activities as well as rights for commercialization of any products. In the fields of inflammatory disease and in the fields of tissue growth and repair, we initially have primary responsibility for research activities. In May 2008, the research term under the collaboration expired, at which time we had the option to elect to share a portion of the costs and profits associated with the development, manufacturing and commercialization of products in one of the fields. In June 2008, we elected to share a portion of the costs and profits associated with the development, manufacturing and commercialization of a therapeutic to treat tissue growth and repair. For all products under the collaboration agreement that were not elected as cost or profit sharing products, we may receive milestone and royalty payments.

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In March 2006, Exelixis and Daiichi Sankyo Company Limited entered into a collaboration agreement for the discovery, development and commercialization of novel therapies targeted against Mineralocorticoid Receptor (MR), a nuclear hormone receptor implicated in a variety of cardiovascular and metabolic diseases. Under the terms of the agreement, we granted to Daiichi-Sankyo an exclusive, worldwide license to certain intellectual property primarily relating to compounds that modulate MR. Daiichi-Sankyo is responsible for all further preclinical and clinical development, regulatory, manufacturing and commercialization activities for the compounds and we do not have rights to reacquire such compounds, except as described below.

Daiichi-Sankyo paid us a nonrefundable upfront payment in the amount of \$20.0 million and is obligated to provide research and development funding of \$3.8 million over a 15-month research term through June 2007. The upfront payment and research and development funding will be recognized as revenue over the initial 15-month research term, which commenced on April 1, 2006. In June 2007, our collaboration agreement with Daiichi-Sankyo was amended to extend the research term by six months over which Daiichi-Sankyo was required to provide \$1.5 million in research and development funding. In November 2007, the parties decided not to further extend the research term. For each product from the collaboration, we are also entitled to receive payments upon attainment of pre-specified development, regulatory and commercialization milestones. In addition, we are also entitled to receive royalties on any sales of certain products commercialized under the collaboration. Daiichi-Sankyo may terminate the agreement upon 90 days written notice in which case Daiichi-Sankyo's payment obligations would cease, its license relating to compounds that modulate MR would terminate and revert to us, and we would receive, subject to certain terms and conditions, licenses from Daiichi-Sankyo to research, develop and commercialize compounds that were discovered under the agreement.

Wyeth

In December 2005, Exelixis and Wyeth Pharmaceuticals, a division of Wyeth, entered into a license agreement related to compounds targeting Farnesoid X Receptor (FXR), a nuclear hormone receptor implicated in a variety of metabolic and liver disorders. Under the terms of the agreement, we granted to Wyeth an exclusive, worldwide license with respect to certain intellectual property primarily relating to compounds that modulate FXR. Wyeth paid us a nonrefundable upfront payment in the amount of \$10.0 million and we received \$4.5 million in November 2006 for achieving a development milestone. In November 2007, Wyeth paid us \$2.5 million for achieving a second development milestone. Wyeth is obligated to pay additional development and commercialization milestones of up to \$140.5 million as well as royalties on sales of any products commercialized by Wyeth under the agreement. Substantially all the upfront and November 2006 milestone payments were recognized as revenue in 2006. In addition, the November 2007 milestone payment was recognized as revenue when the development milestone was achieved. Wyeth will be responsible for all further preclinical and clinical development, regulatory, manufacturing and commercialization activities for the compounds. Subject to certain terms and conditions, Wyeth has the option to terminate the license agreement.

Helsinn Healthcare

In June 2005, Exelixis and Helsinn Healthcare S.A. (Helsinn) entered into a license agreement for the development and commercialization of XL119 (becatecarin). Helsinn paid us a nonrefundable upfront payment in the amount of \$4.0 million and was obligated to pay development and commercialization milestones, as well as royalties on worldwide sales. The upfront payment was recognized as revenue during 2005. Helsinn assumed all costs incurred for the ongoing multi-national phase 3 clinical trial for XL119 after the execution of the license agreement.

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In May 2006, we supplied Helsinn with certain clinical trial materials in order for Helsinn to maintain enrollment in the phase 3 clinical trial for XL119. Helsinn's acceptance of the clinical trial materials triggered a \$4.0 million milestone payment, which was received and recognized as revenue in June 2006. In November 2006, Helsinn discontinued the XL119 phase 3 clinical trial program.

GlaxoSmithKline

In October 2002, we established a collaboration with GlaxoSmithKline to discover and develop novel therapeutics in the areas of vascular biology, inflammatory disease and oncology. The collaboration involved three agreements: (1) a product development and commercialization agreement (2) a stock purchase and stock issuance agreement; and (3) a loan and security agreement. During the term of the collaboration, we received \$65.0 million in upfront and milestone payments, \$85.0 million in research and development funding and loans in the principal amount of \$85.0 million. In connection with the collaboration, GlaxoSmithKline purchased a total of three million shares of our common stock.

In October 2008, the development term under the collaboration concluded as scheduled. Under the terms of the collaboration, GlaxoSmithKline had the right to select up to two of the compounds in the collaboration for further development and commercialization. GlaxoSmithKline selected XL880 and had the right to choose one additional compound from a pool of compounds, which consisted of XL184, XL281, XL228, XL820 and XL844 as of the end of the development term. For periods prior to the quarter ended June 30, 2008, revenues from upfront payments, premiums paid on equity purchases and milestones had been recognized assuming that the development term would be extended through the longest contractual period of October 27, 2010. However, as a result of the development term concluding on the earliest scheduled end date, the remaining deferred revenues was recognized through October 27, 2008. The change in the estimated development term increased our total revenues by \$18.5 million for the period ended December 31, 2008.

In July 2008, we achieved proof-of-concept for XL184 and submitted the corresponding data report to GlaxoSmithKline. GlaxoSmithKline notified us in writing that it decided not to select XL184 for further development and commercialization and that it waived its right to select XL281, XL228, XL820 and XL844 for further development and commercialization. As a result, Exelixis retained the rights to develop, commercialize, and/or license all of the compounds, subject to payment to GSK of a 3% royalty on net sales of any product incorporating XL184. As described under Bristol-Myers Squibb 2008 Cancer Collaboration, in December 2008, we entered into a worldwide collaboration with Bristol-Myers Squibb for XL184 and XL281. We discontinued development of XL820 and XL844 in December 2008.

The \$85.0 million loan we received from GlaxoSmithKline bears interest at a rate of 4.0% per annum and is secured by certain intellectual property, technology and equipment created or utilized pursuant to the collaboration. Principal and accrued interest under the loan becomes due in three annual installments, beginning on October 27, 2009. Repayment of all or any of the amounts advanced to us under this agreement may, at our election, be in the form of our common stock at fair market value, subject to certain conditions. As of December 31, 2008, the aggregate principal and interest outstanding under the loan was \$102.2 million.

NOTE 4. SYMPHONY EVOLUTION

On June 9, 2005 (the Symphony Closing Date), we entered into a series of related agreements providing for the financing of the clinical development of XL784, XL647 and XL999 (the Programs). Pursuant to the agreements, Symphony Evolution, Inc. (SEI) invested \$80.0 million to fund the clinical development of these Programs and we have licensed to SEI our intellectual property rights related to these Programs. SEI is a wholly

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owned subsidiary of Symphony Evolution Holdings LLC (Holdings), which provided \$40.0 million in funding to SEI at closing, and an additional \$40.0 million in June 2006. We continue to be primarily responsible for the development of the Programs in accordance with specified development plans and related development budgets.

In accordance with FIN 46R, we have determined that SEI is a variable interest entity for which we are the primary beneficiary. As a result, we will include the financial condition and results of operations of SEI in our consolidated financial statements. Accordingly, we have deducted the losses attributable to the noncontrolling interest in SEI from our net loss in the consolidated statement of operations and we have also reduced the noncontrolling interest holders' ownership interest in SEI in the consolidated balance sheet by SEI's losses. The noncontrolling interest holders' ownership interest in the consolidated balance sheet was \$0.7 million as of December 31, 2008. Prior to 2009, under the old standards, we would not allocate losses to the noncontrolling interest in SEI such that the carrying value of the noncontrolling interest would be reduced below zero. However, with the adoption of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No 160 Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Financial Statements an amendment of ARB No. 51 or SFAS 160 in fiscal year 2009, we could allocate losses to the noncontrolling interest in SEI such that the noncontrolling interest could have a negative carrying value. We expect to see the impact of this new standard to result in a negative carrying value by the end of the first quarter, 2009. For the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, the losses attributed to the noncontrolling interest holders were \$12.7 million, \$24.6 million and \$21.7 million, respectively. We also reduced the noncontrolling interest holders' ownership interest in SEI in the consolidated balance sheet by: (i) a \$3.0 million structuring fee that we incurred in connection with the closing of the SEI transaction, (ii) a \$2.8 million value assigned to the warrants that were issued to Holdings upon closing, and (iii) a \$4.0 million value assigned to the warrants that were issued to Holdings in June 2006.

Pursuant to the agreements, we have received an exclusive purchase option (the Purchase Option) that gives us the right to acquire all of the equity of SEI, thereby allowing us to reacquire all of the Programs. The Purchase Option was amended in December 2006 to allow us, at our election, to pay up to 100% of the purchase option exercise price in shares of our common stock. Under the original terms of the purchase option, we were only entitled to pay up to 33% of the purchase option exercise price in shares. This Purchase Option is exercisable at any time, until the earlier of June 9, 2009 or the 90th day after the date that SEI provides us with financial statements showing cash and cash equivalents of less than \$5.0 million at an exercise price equal to the sum of: (i) the total amount of capital invested in SEI by Holdings and (ii) an amount equal to 25% per year on such funded capital (with respect to the initial funded capital, compounded from the Symphony Closing Date and, with respect to the second draw amount, compounded from the second draw date). The Purchase Option exercise price may be paid in cash, our common stock or in a combination of cash and our common stock, at our sole discretion.

Pursuant to the agreements, we issued to Holdings a five-year warrant to purchase 750,000 shares of our common stock at \$8.90 per share in June 2005. We issued an additional five-year warrant to purchase 750,000 shares of our common stock at \$8.90 per share in connection with the additional \$40.0 million in funding in June 2006. In addition, if the Purchase Option expires unexercised at June 9, 2009, or on the 90th day after SEI provides us with financial statements showing cash and cash equivalents of less than \$5.0 million, we are obligated to issue to Holdings an additional warrant to purchase 500,000 shares of our common stock at a price per share equal to 125% of the market price of our common stock at the time of expiration of the Purchase Option, with a five-year term. The warrants issued upon closing were assigned a value of \$2.8 million and the warrants issued in June 2006 were assigned a value of \$4.0 million in accordance with the Black-Scholes option valuation methodology and we recorded these values as a reduction to the noncontrolling interest in SEI. Pursuant to the agreements, we have no further obligation beyond the items described above and we have no obligation to the creditors of SEI as a result of our involvement with SEI.

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In 2007, we discontinued the development of XL999 and completed the phase 2 trial for XL784; the phase 2 clinical development program for XL647 is ongoing. We are in discussions with SEI regarding the future clinical development of XL647 and XL784 and related funding. We do not intend to further develop XL647 or XL784 on our own or invest any further Exelixis resources in the development of these compounds. In light of the foregoing, in the absence of a partner, we do not anticipate using our own funds or common stock to exercise the Purchase Option.

NOTE 5. DEERFIELD CREDIT FACILITY

On June 4, 2008, we entered into a Facility Agreement with Deerfield Private Design Fund, L.P., Deerfield Private Design International, L.P., Deerfield Partners, L.P. and Deerfield International Limited (collectively, the Deerfield Entities), pursuant to which the Deerfield Entities agreed to loan to us up to \$150.0 million. We may draw down on the loan facility in \$15.0 million increments through December 4, 2009, with any amounts drawn being due on June 4, 2013. We are under no obligation to draw down on the loan facility and at any time prior to any draw downs, we may terminate the loan facility without penalty. Pursuant to the Facility Agreement, we paid the Deerfield Entities a one time transaction fee of \$3.8 million, or 2.5% of the loan facility. In addition, we are obligated to pay an annual commitment fee of \$3.4 million, or 2.25% of the loan facility, that is payable quarterly and will be recognized as interest expense as incurred. Any outstanding balances under the loan facility will accrue interest at a rate of 6.75% per annum compounded annually and can be repaid at any time with shares of our common stock, subject to certain restrictions, or in cash. If our cash and cash equivalents and marketable securities on the last day of any calendar quarter are less than \$75.0 million, then we would be in default under the Facility Agreement with the Deerfield Entities, and the Deerfield Entities would have the right, among other remedies, to cancel our right to request disbursements and declare immediately due and payable any amounts accrued or payable under the Facility Agreement.

Pursuant to the Facility Agreement, we issued six-year warrants to the Deerfield Entities to purchase an aggregate of 1,000,000 shares of our common stock at an exercise price of \$7.40 per share. In addition, upon drawing on the loan facility, we must issue additional warrants as follows: (a) for each disbursement, warrants to purchase an aggregate of 800,000 shares of our common stock at an exercise price equal to 120% of the average of the Volume Weighted Average Price (as defined in the Facility Agreement) of our common stock for each of the 15 trading days beginning with the trading day following receipt by the Deerfield Entities of a disbursement request and (b) for each of the first through fifth disbursements, warrants to purchase an aggregate of an additional 400,000 shares of our common stock at an exercise price equal of \$7.40 per share. If we were to draw the entire loan facility, we would be required to grant warrants to purchase an aggregate of 11,000,000 shares of our common stock.

Warrants issued upon signing of the Facility Agreement were assigned a value of \$3.4 million using the Black-Scholes option pricing model. The related assumptions were as follows: risk-free interest rate of 3.41%, expected life of six years, volatility of 62% and expected dividend yield of 0%. The value of the warrants and the one time transaction fee of \$3.8 million have been included as deferred charges under Other assets on the accompanying consolidated balance sheet and will be expensed as interest expense over the five year term of the loan facility.

As of December 31, 2008, we had not drawn down under the Facility Agreement.

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

	December 31,	
	2008	2007
Laboratory equipment	\$ 71,914	\$ 66,974
Computer equipment and software	24,420	21,027
Furniture and fixtures	6,564	4,577
Leasehold improvements	26,162	22,593
Construction-in-progress	926	2,357
	129,986	117,528
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization	(93,739)	(82,864)
	\$ 36,247	\$ 34,664

For the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, we recorded depreciation expense of \$13.6 million, \$13.7 million and \$15.3 million, respectively.

NOTE 7. GOODWILL AND OTHER ACQUIRED INTANGIBLES

Our annual goodwill impairment test date is performed at the beginning of the fourth quarter of every year. Following this approach, we monitor asset-carrying values as of October 1 and on an interim basis if events or changes in circumstances occur we assess whether there is a potential impairment and complete the measurement of impairment, if required. To date, our annual impairment tests have not resulted in impairment of recorded goodwill.

As part of our business disposals in 2007, we sold the technology, patents and core technology related to these businesses. As a result, at December 31, 2008 and 2007 we had no recorded intangible assets, apart from goodwill.

NOTE 8: RESTRUCTURING CHARGE

In November 2008, we implemented a restructuring plan that resulted in a reduction in force of 78 employees, or approximately 10% of our workforce. We anticipate that the actions associated with the restructuring plan will be completed during the first quarter of 2009.

In connection with the restructuring plan, we recorded a charge of approximately \$2.9 million during the year ended December 31, 2008 in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 146, Accounting for Costs Associated with Exit or Disposal Activities. This charge consisted primarily of severance, health care benefits and legal and outplacement services fees. The current balance of the liability is included in Other Accrued Expenses on the balance sheet and the components are summarized in the following table (in thousands):

	Employee Severance and Other Benefits	Legal and Other Fees	Total
Restructuring Charges Accrued	\$ 2,784	\$ 106	\$ 2,890
Cash Payments	(1,152)	(55)	(1,207)
Adjustments/Non-Cash Credits	56		56

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December 31, 2008 Balance	\$	1,688	\$	51	\$ 1,739
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Our debt consists of the following (in thousands):

	December 31,	
	2008	2007
GlaxoSmithKline convertible loans	\$ 85,000	\$ 85,000
Bank equipment lines of credit	32,680	36,514
	117,680	121,514
Less: current portion	(42,961)	(15,767)
Long-term debt	\$ 74,719	\$ 105,747

Under the loan and security agreement executed in connection with the GlaxoSmithKline collaboration, GlaxoSmithKline provided a loan facility of up to \$85.0 million for use in our efforts under the collaboration. We borrowed \$25.0 million under that agreement in December 2002, an additional \$30.0 million in December 2003 and the remaining \$30.0 million in 2004. All loan amounts bear interest at a rate of 4.0% per annum and are secured by the intellectual property, technology and equipment created or utilized pursuant to the collaboration. Principal and accrued interest becomes due in three annual installments, beginning on October 27, 2009. Repayment of all or any of the amounts advanced to us under this agreement may, at our election, be in the form of Exelixis common stock at fair market value, subject to certain conditions. This loan facility also contains financial covenants pursuant to which our working capital (the amount by which our current assets exceed our current liabilities as defined by the agreement, which excludes restricted cash and deferred revenue, but includes amounts available for borrowing under the Facility Agreement with the Deerfield Entities described in Note 5 of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements) must not be less than \$25.0 million and our cash and investments (total cash, cash equivalents and investments as defined by the agreement, which excludes restricted cash) must not be less than \$50.0 million. As of December 31, 2008, we were in compliance with these covenants.

In May 2002, we entered into a loan and security agreement with a bank for an equipment line of credit of up to \$16.0 million with a draw down period of one year. Each draw on the line of credit has a payment term of 48 months and bears interest at the bank's published prime rate. We extended the draw down period on the line-of-credit for an additional year in June 2003 and increased the principal amount of the line of credit from \$16.0 million to \$19.0 million in September 2003. This equipment line of credit was fully drawn as of December 31, 2004 and was fully paid off as of December 31, 2007.

In December 2004, we entered into a loan modification agreement to the loan and security agreement originally entered into in May 2002. The terms associated with the original \$16.0 million line of credit under the May 2002 agreement were not modified. The loan modification agreement provided for an additional equipment line of credit in the amount of up to \$20.0 million with a draw down period of one year. Pursuant to the terms of the modified agreement, we were required to make interest only payments through February 2006 at an annual rate of 0.70% on all outstanding advances. Beginning in March 2006, we are required to make 48 equal monthly installment payments of principal plus accrued interest, at an annual rate of 0.70%. The loan facility is secured by a non-interest bearing certificate of deposit account with the bank, in an amount equal to at least 100% of the outstanding obligations under the line of credit. As of December 31, 2008, the collateral balance was \$5.9 million, and we recorded this amount in the accompanying consolidated balance sheet as cash and cash equivalents and long-term marketable securities as the deposit account is not restricted as to withdrawal. This equipment line of credit was fully drawn as of December 31, 2006. The outstanding obligation under the line of credit as of December 31, 2008 and 2007 was \$5.5 million and \$10.9 million, respectively.

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In December 2006, we entered into a second loan modification agreement to the loan and security agreement originally entered into in May 2002. The terms associated with the original line of credit under the May 2002 agreement and December 2004 loan modification agreement were not modified. The December 2006 loan modification agreement provided for an additional equipment line of credit in the amount of up to \$25.0 million with a draw down period of approximately one year. Each advance must be repaid in 48 equal, monthly installments of principal, plus accrued interest, at an annual rate of 0.85% fixed and is subject to a prepayment penalty of 1.0%. The loan facility is secured by a non-interest bearing certificate of deposit account with the bank, in an amount equal to at least 100% of the outstanding obligations under the line of credit. This equipment line of credit was fully drawn as of December 31, 2008. The collateral balance of \$15.7 million was recorded in the accompanying consolidated balance sheet as cash and cash equivalents and marketable securities as the deposit account is not restricted as to withdrawal. The outstanding obligation under the line of credit as of December 31, 2008 and 2007 was \$15.2 million and \$21.9 million, respectively.

In December 2007, we entered into a third loan modification agreement to the loan and security agreement originally entered into in May 2002. The terms associated with the original line of credit under the May 2002 agreement and the subsequent loan modifications were not modified. The December 2007 loan modification agreement provides for an additional equipment line of credit in the amount of up to \$30.0 million with a draw down period of approximately 2 years. Each advance must be repaid in 48 equal, monthly installments of principal, plus accrued interest, at an annual rate of 0.75% fixed. The loan facility requires security in the form of a non-interest bearing certificate of deposit account with the bank, in an amount equal to at least 100% of the outstanding obligations under the line of credit. In June 2008, we drew down \$13.6 million under this agreement. The collateral balance of \$11.9 million was recorded in the accompanying consolidated balance sheet as cash and cash equivalents and marketable securities as the deposit account is not restricted as to withdrawal. The outstanding obligation under the line of credit as of December 31, 2008 and 2007 was \$11.7 million and zero, respectively.

In December 2003, we entered into a credit agreement with a bank for an equipment line of credit of up to \$15.0 million with a draw down period of one year. During the draw down period, we made interest only payments on outstanding balances. At the end of the draw down period, the outstanding balance converted to a 48-month term loan. The outstanding principal balance bears interest at LIBOR plus 0.625%. This equipment line of credit had been fully drawn as of December 31, 2004. Of the \$15.0 million draw down, \$1.6 million was in the form of an irrevocable stand by letter of credit. This letter of credit is in lieu of a security deposit for one of our South San Francisco facilities. Pursuant to the terms of the line of credit, we are required to maintain a securities account at the bank equal to at least 100% of the outstanding principal balance. As of December 31, 2008, the collateral balance was \$0.3 million, and we recorded this amount in the balance sheet as restricted cash and investments as the securities are restricted as to withdrawal. The outstanding obligation under the line of credit as of December 31, 2008 and 2007 was \$0.3 million and \$3.6 million, respectively.

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Aggregate future principal payments of our total long-term debt as of December 31, 2008 are as follows (in thousands):

Year Ending December 31,	
2009	\$ 42,961
2010	38,017
2011	35,265
2012	1,437
2013	
	117,680
Less current portion	(42,961)
	\$ 74,719

NOTE 10. COMMON STOCK AND WARRANTS**Stock Repurchase Agreements**

In October 2006, we completed a public offering of 11.5 million shares of our common stock under an effective registration statement, at a price of \$8.40 per share, for gross proceeds of \$96.6 million. We received approximately \$90.5 million in net proceeds after deducting underwriting fees of \$5.8 million and offering expenses of approximately \$0.3 million.

In September 2007, we completed a public offering of seven million shares of our common stock pursuant to an immediately effective automatic shelf registration statement filed with the SEC in September 2007. We received approximately \$71.9 million in net proceeds from the offering after deducting offering expenses of approximately \$0.2 million.

Warrants

We have granted warrants to purchase shares of capital stock to SEI in connection with our financing transaction.

In addition, in June 2008 pursuant to the Facility Agreement, we issued six-year warrants to the Deerfield Entities pursuant to the Facility Agreement as described in Note 5 Deerfield Credit Facility .

At December 31, 2008, the following warrants to purchase common stock were outstanding and exercisable:

Date Issued	Exercise Price per Share	Expiration Date	Number of Shares
June 9, 2005	\$ 8.90	June 9, 2010	750,000
June 9, 2006	\$ 8.90	June 9, 2011	750,000
June 4, 2008	\$ 7.40	June 4, 2014	1,000,000
			2,500,000

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We have several stock option plans under which we have granted incentive stock options and non-qualified stock options to employees, directors and consultants. The Board of Directors or a designated Committee of the Board is responsible for administration of our employee stock option plans and determines the term, exercise price and vesting terms of each option. In general, our options have a four-year vesting term, an exercise price equal to the fair market value on the date of grant, and a ten year life from the date of grant (five years for incentive stock options granted to holders of more than 10% of Exelixis' voting stock).

On December 9, 2005, Exelixis' Board of Directors adopted a Change in Control and Severance Benefit Plan (the "Plan") for executives and certain non-executives. Eligible Plan participants includes Exelixis employees with the title of vice president and higher. If a participant's employment with Exelixis is terminated without cause during a period commencing one month before and ending thirteen months following a change in control, then the Plan participant is entitled to have the vesting of all of his stock options accelerated with the exercise period being extended to no more than one year. Effective December 23, 2008, we amended and restated the Plan to bring it into compliance with Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

Stock Purchase Plan

In January 2000, we adopted the 2000 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the "ESPP"). The ESPP allows for qualified employees (as defined in the ESPP) to purchase shares of our common stock at a price equal to the lower of 85% of the closing price at the beginning of the offering period or 85% of the closing price at the end of each six month purchase period. Compensation expense related to our ESPP was \$1.3 million, \$1.3 million and \$0.9 million for 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively. As of December 31, 2008, we had 27,934 shares available for grant under our ESPP. We issued 1,054,808 shares, 411,121 shares, and 376,544 shares of common stock during 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively, pursuant to the ESPP at an average price per share of \$3.94, \$8.68, and \$7.42, respectively.

Stock-Based Compensation

Under SFAS 123R, we recognized stock-based compensation at a fair value in our consolidated statements of operations. We recognize compensation expense on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period, net of estimated. Employee stock-based compensation expense under SFAS 123R was allocated as follows (in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31, 2008	Year Ended December 31, 2007	Year Ended December 31, 2006
Research and development expense	\$ 14,845	\$ 11,547	\$ 11,170
General and administrative expense	8,054	7,306	6,278
Total employee stock-based compensation expense	\$ 22,899	\$ 18,853	\$ 17,448

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We use the Black-Scholes option pricing model to value our stock options. The expected life computation is based on historical exercise patterns and post-vesting termination behavior. We considered implied volatility as well as our historical volatility in developing our estimate of expected volatility. The fair value of employee share-based payments awards was estimated using the following assumptions and weighted average fair values:

	Stock Options		
	2008	2007	2006
Weighted average grant-date fair value	\$ 3.95	\$ 5.26	\$ 5.26
Risk-free interest rate	2.57%	4.36%	4.42%
Dividend yield	0%	0%	0%
Volatility	63%	59%	64%
Expected life	5.2 years	4.9 years	4.7 years

	ESPP		
	2008	2007	2006
Weighted average grant-date fair value	\$ 2.78	\$ 3.29	\$ 2.72
Risk-free interest rate	2.61%	4.49%	4.69%
Dividend yield	0%	0%	0%
Volatility	57%	53%	53%
Expected life	6 months	6 months	6 months

A summary of all option activity was as follows for the following fiscal years ended December 31:

	Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Term	Aggregate Intrinsic Value
Options outstanding at December 31, 2005	13,157,431	\$ 10.73		
Granted	5,441,225	9.40		
Exercised	(426,221)	7.46		
Cancelled	(961,809)	11.73		
Options outstanding at December 31, 2006	17,210,626	\$ 10.34		
Granted	5,667,880	9.69		
Exercised	(1,087,031)	7.64		
Cancelled	(1,072,814)	10.01		
Options outstanding at December 31, 2007	20,718,661	\$ 10.32		
Granted	5,199,068	7.08		
Exercised	(50,201)	5.98		
Cancelled	(1,726,342)	10.01		
Options outstanding at December 31, 2008	24,141,186	\$ 9.67	6.6 years	\$ 530,449
Exercisable at December 31, 2008	14,986,417	\$ 10.53	5.6 years	\$ 69,531

At December 31, 2008, a total of 16,001,971 shares were available for grant under our stock option plans.

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The aggregate intrinsic value in the table above represents the total intrinsic value (the difference between our closing stock price on the last trading day of fiscal 2008 and the exercise prices, multiplied by the number of

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in-the-money options) that would have been received by the option holders had all option holders exercised their options on December 31, 2008. Total intrinsic value of options exercised was \$0.1 million, \$3.4 million and \$1.3 million for 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively. Total fair value of employee options vested and expensed in 2008, 2007 and 2006 was \$21.4 million, \$17.5 million and \$16.5 million, respectively. In addition, we recognized stock-based compensation expense of \$0.1 million, \$1.3 million and \$0.2 million relating to nonemployees in 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

The following table summarizes information about stock options outstanding and exercisable at December 31, 2008:

Exercise Price Range	Number	Options Outstanding		Options Outstanding and Exercisable	
		Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Life (Years)	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Number of Exercisable	Weighted Average Exercise Price
\$0.40 - \$ 6.27	2,683,436	8.45	\$ 5.25	592,240	\$ 5.98
\$6.32 - \$ 7.97	2,734,901	5.47	7.21	2,242,263	7.22
\$7.98 - \$ 8.74	2,872,470	7.86	8.64	1,067,677	8.49
\$8.80 - \$ 8.92	3,186,829	6.53	8.90	2,664,273	8.90
\$8.99 - \$ 9.00	3,298,646	7.50	9.00	1,705,228	9.00
\$9.01 - \$ 9.42	2,730,979	6.61	9.40	2,031,917	9.41
\$9.50 - \$ 10.05	2,430,524	7.71	9.79	1,149,857	9.70
\$10.09 - \$ 15.75	2,504,893	5.10	12.16	1,834,454	12.51
\$15.85 - \$ 45.00	1,678,508	2.31	21.32	1,678,508	21.32
\$47.00	20,000	1.56	47.00	20,000	47.00
	24,141,186	6.60	\$ 9.67	14,986,417	\$ 10.53

We had 10.9 million stock options exercisable with a weighted average exercise price of \$11.11 at December 31, 2007 and 9.2 million stock options exercisable with a weighted average exercise price of \$11.35 at December 31, 2006.

As of December 31, 2008, \$35.8 million of total unrecognized compensation expense related to stock options is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 2.6 years. Cash received from option exercises and purchases under the ESPP in 2008 and 2007 was \$4.5 million and \$11.8 million respectively.

Stock Bonus

We granted 298,539, 180,555 and 143,128 fully vested shares of common stock during 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively, pursuant to the 2000 Equity Incentive Plan and recorded expense of \$2.4 million, \$1.8 million and \$1.5 million, respectively.

401(k) Retirement Plan

We sponsor a 401(k) Retirement Plan whereby eligible employees may elect to contribute up to the lesser of 20% of their annual compensation or the statutorily prescribed annual limit allowable under Internal Revenue Service regulations. The 401(k) Retirement Plan permits Exelixis to make matching contributions on behalf of all participants. Beginning in 2002, we matched 50% of the first 4% of participant contributions into the 401(k) Retirement Plan in the form of Exelixis common stock. We recorded expense of \$1.1 million, \$0.8 million and \$0.6 million related to the stock match for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

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We have incurred net losses since inception and, consequently, we have not recorded any U.S. federal or state income taxes. We have recorded no income tax provision for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007.

Our net loss includes the following components (in thousands):

	Year Ending December 31,		
	2008	2007	2006
Domestic	\$ (162,854)	\$ (87,980)	\$ (102,136)
Foreign		1,599	644
Total	\$ (162,854)	\$ (86,381)	\$ (101,492)

A reconciliation of income taxes at the statutory federal income tax rate to net income taxes included in the accompanying consolidated statement of operations is as follows (in thousands):

	Year Ending December 31,		
	2008	2007	2006
U.S. federal taxes (benefit) at statutory rate	\$ (54,228)	\$ (29,369)	\$ (34,507)
Unutilized net operating losses	50,319	26,109	32,296
Stock based compensation	3,692	3,165	2,717
Other	217	95	(506)
Total	\$	\$	\$

Our deferred tax assets and liabilities consist of the following (in thousands):

	December 31,	
	2008	2007
Deferred tax assets:		
Net operating loss carryforwards	\$ 292,581	\$ 244,670
Tax credit carryforwards	64,514	59,110
Capitalized research and development costs	4,137	5,290
Deferred revenue	17,429	12,920
Accruals and reserves not currently deductible	6,988	2,460
Book over tax depreciation	5,583	2,240
Amortization of deferred stock compensation non-qualified	12,352	7,870
Total deferred tax assets	403,584	334,560
Valuation allowance	(403,584)	(334,540)
Net deferred tax assets	20	20

Deferred tax liabilities:

Other identified intangible assets	(20)
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Net deferred taxes	\$	\$
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Realization of deferred tax assets is dependent upon future earnings, if any, the timing and amount of which are uncertain. Accordingly, the net deferred tax assets have been fully offset by a valuation allowance. The valuation allowance increased by \$69.0 million, \$39.3 million, and \$45.4 million during 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

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In addition, approximately \$51.3 million of the valuation allowance was attributable to acquisition-related items that if and when realized in future periods, will first reduce the carrying value of goodwill, then other long-lived intangible assets of our acquired subsidiaries and then income tax expense.

At December 31, 2008, we had federal net operating loss carryforwards of approximately \$768.0 million, which expire in the years 2009 through 2028 and federal research and development tax credits of approximately \$73.0 million which expire in the years 2010 through 2028. We also had net operating loss carryforwards for California of approximately \$543.0 million, which expire in the years 2010 through 2028 and California research and development tax credits of approximately \$28.0 million which have no expiration.

Under the Internal Revenue Code and similar state provisions, certain substantial changes in our ownership could result in an annual limitation on the amount of net operating loss and credit carryforwards that can be utilized in future years to offset future taxable income. The annual limitation may result in the expiration of net operating losses and credit carryforwards before utilization.

In July 2006, the FASB issued FASB Interpretation No. 48, Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes, an interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109 (FIN 48). FIN 48 clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in income taxes by prescribing the recognition threshold a tax position is required to meet before being recognized in the financial statements. It also provides guidance on derecognition, classification, interest and penalties, accounting in interim periods, disclosure, and transition. FIN 48 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2006 and was adopted by us on January 1, 2007.

We had \$26.6 million of unrecognized tax benefits as of January 1, 2008. The following table summarizes the activity related to our unrecognized tax benefits for the year ending December 31, 2008 (in thousands):

	Year Ending December 31, 2008	
Balance at January 1, 2007	\$	20,282
Increase relating to prior year provision		6,363
Ending Balance at December 31, 2007	\$	26,645
Decrease relating to prior year provision		(2,642)
Increase relating to current year provision		6,439
Ending Balance at December 31, 2008	\$	30,442

All of our deferred tax assets are subject to a valuation allowance. Further, there were no accrued interest or penalties related to tax contingencies. Any tax-related interest and penalties would be included in income tax expense in the consolidated statements of operations. We do not anticipate that the amount of unrecognized tax benefits existing as of December 31, 2008 will significantly decrease over the next 12 months. Because of our net operating loss position, all federal and state income tax returns from 1995 forward are subject to tax authority examination.

NOTE 13. COMMITMENTS**Leases**

We lease office and research space and certain equipment under operating leases that expire at various dates through the year 2018. Certain operating leases contain renewal provisions and require us to pay other expenses. In 2007, we entered into a new lease agreement to lease an additional 71,746 square feet in South San Francisco,

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California that commenced in May 2008 and expires in 2015, with one three-year option to extend the term prior to expiration. Under the terms of this lease, we have the right to rent all of the remaining 57,775 rentable square feet of the building. This expansion right expires on December 31, 2009. If we exercise our right to lease the entire building, we will have the option to extend the lease for an additional ten years. Aggregate future minimum lease payments under operating leases are as follows (in thousands):

Year Ending December 31,	Operating Leases
2009	\$ 19,615
2010	18,859
2011	19,009
2012	19,377
2013	19,116
Thereafter	67,003
	\$ 162,979

The following is a summary of aggregate future minimum lease payments under operating leases at December 31, 2008 by material operating lease agreements (in thousands):

	Original Term (Expiration)	Renewal Option	Future Minimum Lease Payment
Building Lease #1	May 2017	2 additional periods of 5 years	\$ 91,692
Building Lease #2	July 2018	1 additional period of 5 years	40,915
Building Lease #3	May 2015	1 additional period of 3 years	28,958
Other Building Leases			1,414
Total			\$ 162,979

Rent expense under operating leases was \$18.7 million, \$16.7 million and \$16.0 million for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

Letter of Credit and Restricted Cash

We entered into two standby letters of credit in May 2007 with a bank for a combined value of \$0.9 million, which is related to our workers compensation insurance policy. As of December 31, 2008, the full amount of the letters of credit was still available. As part of a purchasing card program with a bank we initiated during 2007, we were required to provide collateral in the form of a non-interest bearing certificate of deposit. The collateral as of December 31, 2008 and 2007 was \$2.3 million and \$1.1 million, respectively, and we recorded these amounts in the accompanying consolidated balance sheet as restricted cash and investments as the securities are restricted as to withdrawal.

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We have entered into several licensing agreements with various universities and institutions under which we obtained exclusive rights to certain patent, patent applications and other technology. Aggregate minimum future payments pursuant to these agreements are as follows (in thousands):

Year Ending December 31,	
2009	\$ 488
2010	150
Thereafter	
	\$ 638

In addition to the payments summarized above, we are required to make royalty payments based upon a percentage of net sales of any products or services developed from certain of the licensed technologies and milestone payments upon the occurrence of certain events as defined by the related agreements. No milestone payments have been paid during 2008, 2007 or 2006.

Indemnification Agreements

Related to the sale of our plant trait business we have agreed to indemnify the purchaser and its affiliates up to a specified amount if they incur damages due to any infringement or alleged infringement of certain patents. We have certain collaboration licensing agreements, which contain standard indemnification clauses. Such clauses typically indemnify the customer or vendor for an adverse judgment in a lawsuit in the event of our misuse or negligence. We consider the likelihood of an adverse judgment related to an indemnification agreement to be remote. Furthermore, in the event of an adverse judgment, any losses under such an adverse judgment may be substantially offset by corporate insurance.

NOTE 14. QUARTERLY FINANCIAL DATA (UNAUDITED)

The following tables summarize the unaudited quarterly financial data for the last two fiscal years (in thousands, except per share data):

	2008 Quarter Ended			
	March 31,	June 30,	September 30,(1)	December 31,(2)
Total revenues	\$ 27,944	\$ 30,412	\$ 29,932	\$ 29,571
Loss from operations	(46,720)	(48,685)	(44,605)	(39,303)
Net loss	(41,274)	(45,124)	(38,506)	(37,950)
Basic and diluted net loss per share	\$ (0.39)	\$ (0.43)	\$ (0.36)	\$ (0.36)
	2007 Quarter Ended			
	March 31,	June 30,	September 30,(1)	December 31,(3)
Total revenues	\$ 28,136	\$ 29,259	\$ 26,825	\$ 29,250
Loss from operations	(33,357)	(38,302)	(42,626)	(42,762)
Net loss	(24,201)	(28,562)	(13,696)	(19,922)
Basic and diluted net loss per share	\$ (0.25)	\$ (0.29)	\$ (0.14)	\$ (0.19)

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- (1) In September 2007, we sold our plant trait business to Agrigenetics, and, as a result, we recognized a gain of \$18.8 million in total other income. In September 2008, we received an additional \$4.5 million as contingent consideration upon development of a designated additional asset, which we recognized as additional gain in other income.
- (2) In November 2008, we implemented a restructuring plan that resulted in a reduction in force of 78 employees and recorded a charge of approximately \$2.9 million.
- (3) In November 2007, we sold 80.1% of our German subsidiary, Artemis Pharmaceuticals, and, as a result, we recognized a gain of \$18.1 million in total other income. In addition, the quarter ended December 31, 2007, we recorded a change in estimate of \$2.6 million to reduce our accrued clinical trial liabilities and research and development expenses related to our XL784 clinical trial.

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ITEM 9. CHANGES IN AND DISAGREEMENTS WITH ACCOUNTANTS ON ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

Not applicable.

ITEM 9A. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures. Based on the evaluation of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined under Rules 13a-15(e) or 15d-15(e)) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) required by Rules 13a-15(b) or 15d-15(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, our Chief Executive Officer and our Chief Financial Officer have concluded that as of the end of the period covered by this report, our disclosure controls and procedures were effective.

Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting. Management of Exelixis, Inc. is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting. The company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed under the supervision of the company's principal executive and principal financial officers to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of the company's financial statements for external reporting purposes in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

As of the end of the company's 2008 fiscal year, management conducted an assessment of the effectiveness of the company's internal control over financial reporting based on the framework established in *Internal Control - Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). Based on this assessment, management has determined that the company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2008 was effective.

Our internal control over financial reporting includes policies and procedures that pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect transactions and dispositions of assets; provide reasonable assurances that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and the directors of the company; and provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on our financial statements.

The independent registered public accounting firm, Ernst & Young LLP has issued an attestation report on our internal control over financial reporting.

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Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of Exelixis, Inc.

We have audited Exelixis, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting as of January 2, 2009, based on criteria established in Internal Control Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (the COSO criteria). Exelixis, Inc.'s management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting, and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting included in the accompanying Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the company's internal control over financial reporting 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 effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk, and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

In our opinion, Exelixis, Inc. maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of January 2, 2009, based on the COSO criteria.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated balance sheets of Exelixis, Inc. as of January 2, 2009 and December 28, 2007, and the related consolidated statements of operations, stockholders' equity (deficit), and cash flows for each of the three fiscal years in the period ended January 2, 2009, of Exelixis, Inc. and our report dated March 4, 2009 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

Palo Alto, California

March 4, 2009

Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting. There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting that occurred during our most recent fiscal quarter that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

ITEM 9B. OTHER INFORMATION

None.

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PART III

ITEM 10. DIRECTORS, EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AND CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The information required by this item, other than with respect to our Code of Ethics, is incorporated by reference to Exelixis Proxy Statement for its 2009 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be filed with the SEC within 120 days after the end of the fiscal year ended January 2, 2009.

Code of Ethics

We have adopted a Code of Conduct and Ethics that applies to all of our directors, officers and employees, including our principal executive officer, principal financial officer and principal accounting officer. The Code of Conduct and Ethics is posted on our website at www.exelixis.com under the caption Investors.

We intend to satisfy the disclosure requirement under Item 5.05 of Form 8-K regarding an amendment to, or waiver from, a provision of this Code of Conduct and Ethics by posting such information on our website, at the address and location specified above and, to the extent required by the listing standards of the Nasdaq Stock Market, by filing a Current Report on Form 8-K with the SEC, disclosing such information.

ITEM 11. EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

The information required by this item is incorporated by reference to Exelixis Proxy Statement for its 2009 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be filed with the SEC within 120 days after the end of the fiscal year ended January 2, 2009.

ITEM 12. SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT AND RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS

The information required by this item, other than with respect to Equity Compensation Plan Information, is incorporated by reference to Exelixis Proxy Statement for its 2009 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be filed with the SEC within 120 days after the end of the fiscal year ended January 2, 2009.

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The following table provides certain information as of December 31, 2008 with respect to all of Exelixis equity compensation plans in effect as of December 31, 2008:

Plan Category	Number of securities to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options, warrants and rights (a)	Weighted-average exercise price of outstanding options, warrants and rights (b)	Number of securities remaining available for future issuance under equity compensation plans (excluding securities reflected in column (a)) (c)
Equity compensation plans approved by stockholders:			
2000 Equity Incentive Plan ¹	23,168,619	\$ 9.62	12,811,726
2000 Non-Employee Directors Stock Option Plan ²	770,000	10.78	2,843,906
2000 Employee Stock Purchase Plan ³			27,934
1994 Employee, Director and Consultant Stock Option Plan & 1997 Equity Incentive Plan ⁴	198,167	10.43	
1997 Agritope Stock Award Plan ⁵	4,400	16.87	
Equity compensation plans not approved by stockholders:			
401(k) Retirement Plan ⁶			689,468
Total	24,141,186	\$ 9.67	16,373,034

All of the above equity compensation plans, other than our 401(k) Retirement Plan, were adopted with the approval of our security holders.

¹ In January 2000, we adopted the 2000 Equity Incentive Plan (the 2000 Plan) to replace the 1997 Plan (described below in note 4). A total of 3.0 million shares of Exelixis common stock were initially authorized for issuance under the 2000 Plan. On the last day of each year for ten years, starting in 2000, the share reserve will automatically be increased by a number of shares equal to the greater of: (i) 5% of our outstanding shares on a fully-diluted basis and (ii) that number of shares subject to stock awards granted under the 2000 Plan during the prior 12-month period; provided, however, that the share increases shall not exceed 30.0 million shares in the aggregate. The Board of Directors may, however, provide for a lesser number at any time prior to the calculation date.

² In January 2000, we adopted the 2000 Non-Employee Directors Stock Option Plan (the Director Plan). The Director Plan provides for the automatic grant of options to purchase shares of common stock to non-employee directors. A total of 0.5 million shares of our common stock were initially authorized for issuance under the Director Plan. On the last day of each year for ten years, starting in 2000, the share reserve will automatically be increased by a number of shares equal to the greater of: (i) 0.75% of our outstanding shares on a fully-diluted basis and (ii) that number of shares subject to options granted under the Director Plan during the prior 12-month period. The Board of Directors may, however, provide for a lesser number at any time prior to the calculation date.

³ In January 2000, we adopted the 2000 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the ESPP). The ESPP was amended in April 2005 to increase the total number of shares issuable under the plan. The ESPP allows for qualified employees (as defined in the ESPP) to purchase shares of our common stock at a price equal to the lower of 85% of the closing price at the beginning of the offering period or 85% of the closing price at the end of each purchase period. A total of 0.3 million shares of common stock were initially authorized for issuance under the ESPP. On the last day of each year for ten years, starting in 2000, the share reserve will automatically be increased by a number of shares equal to the greater of: (i) 0.75% of our outstanding shares

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on a fully-diluted basis and (ii) that number of shares subject to stock awards granted under the plan during the prior 12-month period; provided, however, that the share increases shall not exceed 3.4 million shares in the aggregate. However, the board may provide for a lesser number at any time prior to the calculation date.

⁴ In January 1995, we adopted the 1994 Employee, Director and Consultant Stock Option Plan (the 1994 Plan). The 1994 Plan provides for the issuance of incentive stock options, non-qualified stock options and stock purchase rights to key employees, directors, consultants and members of the Scientific Advisory Board. In September 1997, we adopted the 1997 Equity Incentive Plan (the 1997 Plan). The 1997 Plan amends and supersedes the 1994 Plan. The 1997 Plan was replaced by the 2000 Plan. No further options will be issued under any of the predecessor plans to the 2000 Plan.

⁵ In November 1997, Agritope adopted the 1997 Stock Award Plan (the Agritope Plan). The Agritope Plan provides for the issuance of incentive stock options and non-qualified stock options to key Agritope employees, directors, consultants and members of its Scientific Advisory Board.

⁶ We sponsor a 401(k) Retirement Plan whereby eligible employees may elect to contribute up to the lesser of 20% of their annual compensation or the statutorily prescribed annual limit allowable under Internal Revenue Service regulations. The 401(k) Retirement Plan permits Exelixis to make matching contributions on behalf of all participants. Beginning in 2002, we match 50% of the first 4% of participant contributions into the 401(k) Retirement Plan in the form of Exelixis common stock.

In connection with the acquisition of Agritope in December 2000, we assumed all the options granted and outstanding to former directors, consultants and employees of Agritope under the Agritope Plan. Each outstanding Agritope stock option was converted into the right to purchase the number of shares of our common stock as determined using the applicable exchange ratio of 0.35. All other terms and conditions of the Agritope stock options did not change and such options will operate in accordance with their terms.

ITEM 13. CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS, AND DIRECTOR INDEPENDENCE

Information required by this item is incorporated by reference to Exelixis Proxy Statement for its 2009 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be filed with the SEC within 120 days after the fiscal year ended January 2, 2009.

ITEM 14. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTANT FEES AND SERVICES

Information required by this item is incorporated by reference to Exelixis Proxy Statement for its 2009 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be filed with the SEC within 120 days after the fiscal year ended January 2, 2009.

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PART IV

ITEM 15. EXHIBITS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES

(a) The following documents are being filed as part of this report:

(1) The following financial statements and the Reports of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm are included in Part II, Item 8:

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<u>Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm</u>	67
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(2) All financial statement schedules are omitted because the information is inapplicable or presented in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

(3) The items listed on the Index to Exhibits on pages 109 through 115 are incorporated herein by reference.

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Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this report on Form 10-K to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of South San Francisco, State of California, on March 10, 2009.

EXELIXIS, INC.

By: /s/ GEORGE A. SCANGOS, PH.D.
George A. Scangos, Ph.D.
President and Chief Executive Officer

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints **GEORGE A. SCANGOS, JAMES B. BUCHER** and **FRANK KARBE**, and each or any one of them, his true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for him and in his name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments (including post-effective amendments) to this report on Form 10-K, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact and agents, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in connection therewith, as fully to all intents and purposes as he might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents, or any of them, or their or his substitutes or substitute, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, this report on Form 10-K has been signed by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signatures	Title	Date
/s/ GEORGE A. SCANGOS George A. Scangos, Ph.D.	Director, President and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)	March 10, 2009
/s/ FRANK KARBE Frank Karbe	Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)	March 10, 2009
/s/ STELIOS PAPAPOPOULOS Stelios Papadopoulos, Ph.D.	Chairman of the Board	March 10, 2009
/s/ CHARLES COHEN Charles Cohen, Ph.D.	Director	March 10, 2009
/s/ CARL B. FELDBAUM Carl B. Feldbaum, Esq.	Director	March 10, 2009
/s/ ALAN M. GARBER Alan M. Garber, M.D., Ph.D.	Director	March 10, 2009

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/s/ VINCENT MARCHESI

Director

March 10, 2009

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Signatures	Title	Date
/s/ FRANK McCORMICK Frank McCormick, Ph.D.	Director	March 10, 2009
/s/ GEORGE POSTE George Poste, D.V.M., Ph.D.	Director	March 10, 2009
/s/ LANCE WILLSEY Lance Willsey, M.D.	Director	March 10, 2009
/s/ JACK L. WYSZOMIERSKI Jack L. Wyszomierski	Director	March 10, 2009

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Exhibit	
Number	Description
2.1	Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated September 27, 2004, by and among Exelixis, Inc., XBO Acquisition Corp., and X-Ceptor Therapeutics, Inc.(1)
2.2*	Asset Purchase and License Agreement, dated as of September 4, 2007, by and among Agrigenetics, Inc., Mycogen Corporation, Exelixis Plant Sciences, Inc., Agrinomics, LLC and Exelixis, Inc.(27)
2.3*	Share Sale and Transfer Agreement, dated November 20, 2007, by and between Taconic Farms, Inc. and Exelixis, Inc.(33)
3.1	Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Exelixis, Inc.(2)
3.2	Certificate of Amendment of Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Exelixis, Inc.(3)
3.3	Amended and Restated Bylaws of Exelixis, Inc.(29)
4.1	Specimen Common Stock Certificate.(2)
4.2	Form of Warrant, dated June 9, 2005, to purchase 750,000 shares of Exelixis, Inc. common stock in favor of Symphony Evolution Holdings LLC.(5)
4.3	Form of Warrant, dated June 13, 2006, to purchase 750,000 shares of Exelixis, Inc. common stock in favor of Symphony Evolution Holdings LLC.(6)
4.4*	Warrant Purchase Agreement, dated June 9, 2005, between Exelixis, Inc. and Symphony Evolution Holdings LLC.(5)
4.5*	Form Warrant to Purchase Common Stock of Exelixis, Inc. issued or issuable to Deerfield Private Design Fund, L.P., Deerfield Private Design International, L.P., Deerfield Partners, L.P. and Deerfield International Limited(32)
4.6	Fourth Amended and Restated Registration Rights Agreement, dated February 26, 1999, among Exelixis, Inc. and certain Stockholders of Exelixis, Inc.(2)
4.7	Registration Rights Agreement, dated October 18, 2004, by and among Exelixis, Inc., X-Ceptor Therapeutics, Inc., and certain holders of capital stock of X-Ceptor Therapeutics, Inc. listed in Annex I thereto.(7)
4.8	Registration Rights Agreement, dated October 18, 2004, by and among Exelixis, Inc., X-Ceptor Therapeutics, Inc., and certain holders of capital stock of X-Ceptor Therapeutics, Inc. listed in Annex I thereto.(7)
4.9*	Registration Rights Agreement, dated June 9, 2005, between Exelixis, Inc. and Symphony Evolution Holdings LLC.(5)
4.10	Registration Rights Agreement between Exelixis, Inc. and Deerfield Private Design Fund, L.P., Deerfield Private Design International, L.P., Deerfield Partners, L.P. and Deerfield International Limited dated June 4, 2008.(32)
10.1	Form of Indemnity Agreement.(2)
10.2	1994 Employee, Director and Consultant Stock Plan.(2)
10.3	1997 Equity Incentive Plan.(2)
10.4	2000 Equity Incentive Plan.(25)
10.5	2000 Non-Employee Directors Stock Option Plan.(33)

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Number	Description
10.6	2000 Employee Stock Purchase Plan.(8)
10.7	Agritope, Inc. 1997 Stock Award Plan.(9)
10.8	Form of Stock Option Agreement under the 2000 Non-Employee Directors Stock Option Plan.(10)
10.9	Form of Stock Option Agreement under the 2000 Equity Incentive Plan (early exercise permissible).(10)
10.10	Form of Stock Option Agreement under the 2000 Equity Incentive Plan (early exercise may be restricted).(4)
10.11	Employment Agreement, dated September 13, 1996, between George Scangos, Ph.D. and Exelixis, Inc.(2)
10.12	Consulting Agreement, effective as of January 12, 2007, between Exelixis, Inc. and Jeffrey Latts.(30)
10.13	Offer Letter Agreement, dated February 3, 2000, between Michael Morrissey, Ph.D., and Exelixis, Inc.(3)
10.14	Offer Letter Agreement, dated November 20, 2003, between Frank Karbe and Exelixis, Inc.(3)
10.15	Offer Letter Agreement, dated March 27, 2000, between Pamela Simonton, J.D., L.L.M. and Exelixis, Inc.(11)
10.16	Offer Letter Agreement, dated June 20, 2006, between Exelixis, Inc. and Gisela M. Schwab, M.D.(12)
10.17	Compensation Information for the Company s Named Executive Officers.(13)
10.18	Compensation Information for Non-Employee Directors.
10.19	Exelixis, Inc. Change in Control and Severance Plan.
10.20*	Amended and Restated Cancer Collaboration Agreement, dated as of December 15, 2003, by and between Exelixis, Inc. and Bristol-Myers Squibb Company.(15)
10.21*	Product Development and Commercialization Agreement, dated as of October 28, 2002, by and between SmithKlineBeecham Corporation and Exelixis, Inc.(16)
10.22*	First Amendment to the Product Development and Commercialization Agreement, dated as of January 10, 2005, by and between SmithKlineBeecham Corporation and Exelixis, Inc.(11)
10.23*	Stock Purchase and Stock Issuance Agreement, dated as of October 28, 2002, by and between SmithKlineBeecham Corporation and Exelixis, Inc.(16)
10.24	First Amendment to the Stock Purchase and Stock Issuance Agreement, dated as of January 10, 2005, by and between SmithKlineBeecham Corporation and Exelixis, Inc.(11)
10.25*	Loan and Security Agreement, dated as of October 28, 2002, by and between SmithKlineBeecham Corporation and Exelixis, Inc.(16)
10.26	Second Amendment to the Loan and Security Agreement, dated as of September 20, 2004, by and between SmithKlineBeecham Corporation and Exelixis, Inc.(17)
10.27*	Third Amendment to the Loan and Security Agreement, dated as of January 10, 2005, by and between SmithKlineBeecham Corporation and Exelixis, Inc.(11)
10.28*	License Agreement, dated June 10, 2005, between Exelixis, Inc. and Helsinn Healthcare, S.A.(5)

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Exhibit	
Number	Description
10.29*	Novated and Restated Technology License Agreement, dated June 9, 2005, between Exelixis, Inc. and Symphony Evolution, Inc.(5)
10.30*	Amended and Restated Research and Development Agreement, dated June 9, 2005, among Exelixis, Inc., Symphony Evolution, Inc. and Symphony Evolution Holdings LLC.(5)
10.31*	Purchase Option Agreement, dated June 9, 2005, among Exelixis, Inc., Symphony Evolution Holdings LLC and Symphony Evolution, Inc.(5)
10.32	Amendment No. 1, dated December 14, 2006, to the Purchase Option Agreement, dated June 9, 2005, among Exelixis, Inc., Symphony Evolution Holdings, LLC and Symphony Evolution, Inc.(18)
10.33*	Collaboration Agreement, dated December 5, 2005, between Exelixis, Inc. and Bristol-Myers Squibb Company.(19)
10.34*	Letter, dated August 20, 2007, relating to Notice under and Amendment to the Collaboration Agreement, dated December 5, 2005, between Exelixis, Inc. and Bristol-Myers Squibb Company.(27)
10.35*	License Agreement, December 21, 2005, between Exelixis, Inc. and Wyeth Pharmaceuticals Division.(19)
10.36*	Collaboration Agreement, dated March 20, 2006, between Exelixis, Inc. and Sankyo Company, Limited.(20)
10.37*	First Amendment, dated June 5, 2007, to Collaboration Agreement, dated March 20, 2006, between Exelixis, Inc. and Daiichi Sankyo Company Limited (formerly known as Sankyo Company, Limited).(26)
10.38*	Collaboration Agreement, dated December 15, 2006, between Exelixis, Inc. and Bristol-Myers Squibb Company.(30)
10.39*	Amendment No. 1, dated January 11, 2007, to the Collaboration Agreement, dated December 15, 2006, between Exelixis, Inc. and Bristol-Myers Squibb Company.(27)
10.40*	Collaboration Agreement, dated December 22, 2006, between Exelixis, Inc. and Genentech, Inc.(30)
10.41	Lease, dated May 12, 1999, between Britannia Pointe Grand Limited Partnership and Exelixis, Inc.(2)
10.42	First Amendment to Lease, dated March 29, 2000, between Britannia Pointe Grand Limited Partnership and Exelixis, Inc.(21)
10.43	Second Amendment to Lease dated January 31, 2001, between Britannia Pointe Grand Limited Partnership and Exelixis, Inc.(36)
10.44	Lease Agreement, dated May 24, 2001, between Britannia Pointe Grand Limited Partnership and Exelixis, Inc.(3)
10.45	First Amendment to Lease, dated February 28, 2003, between Britannia Pointe Grand Limited Partnership and Exelixis, Inc.(36)
10.46	Second Amendment to Lease, dated July 20, 2004, between Britannia Pointe Grand Limited Partnership and Exelixis, Inc.(3)
10.47	Lease Agreement, dated May 27, 2005, between Exelixis, Inc. and Britannia Pointe Grand Limited Partnership.(22)
10.48	Loan and Security Agreement, dated May 22, 2002, by and between Silicon Valley Bank and Exelixis, Inc.(31)

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10.49	Loan Modification Agreement, dated December 21, 2004, between Silicon Valley Bank and Exelixis, Inc.(23)
10.50	Amendment No. 7, dated December 21, 2006, to the Loan and Security Agreement, dated May 22, 2002, between Silicon Valley Bank and Exelixis, Inc.(24)
10.51	Amendment No. 8, dated December 21, 2007, to the Loan and Security Agreement, dated May 22, 2002, between Silicon Valley Bank and Exelixis, Inc.(28)
10.52*	Contract Research Agreement, dated as of September 4, 2007, by and among Agrigenetics, Inc., Mycogen Corporation, Exelixis Plant Sciences, Inc. and Exelixis, Inc.(27)
10.53	Lease Agreement, dated September 14, 2007, between ARE-San Francisco No. 12, LLC and Exelixis, Inc.(27)
10.54*	Shareholders Agreement, dated November 20, 2007, by and between Taconic Farms, Inc. and Exelixis, Inc.(33)
10.55*	First Amendment to the Collaboration Agreement, dated March 13, 2008, between Exelixis, Inc. and Genentech, Inc.(34)
10.56	Facility Agreement between Exelixis, Inc. and Deerfield Private Design Fund, L.P., Deerfield Private Design International, L.P., Deerfield Partners, L.P. and Deerfield International Limited dated June 4, 2008.(36)
10.57	First Amendment dated May 31, 2008 to Lease Agreement, dated September 14, 2007, between ARE-San Francisco No. 12, LLC and Exelixis, Inc.(35)
10.58*	Second Amendment to the Product Development and Commercialization Agreement, dated as of June 13, 2008, by and between SmithKlineBeecham Corporation d/b/a GlaxoSmithKline and Exelixis, Inc.(35)
10.59*	Fourth Amendment to the Loan and Security Agreement, dated as of July 10, 2008, by and between SmithKlineBeecham Corporation d/b/a GlaxoSmithKline and Exelixis, Inc.(35)
10.60*	Letter Agreement, dated June 26, 2008, between Exelixis, Inc. and Bristol-Myers Squibb Company.(35)
10.61**	First Amendment to the Contract Research Agreement, effective as of January 1, 2008, by and among Agrigenetics, Inc., Mycogen Corporation, Exelixis Plant Sciences, Inc. and Exelixis, Inc.
10.62	Second Amendment dated May 31, 2008 to Lease Agreement, dated October 23, 2008, between ARE-San Francisco No. 12, LLC and Exelixis, Inc.
10.63	Third Amendment dated May 31, 2008 to Lease Agreement, dated October 24, 2008, between ARE-San Francisco No. 12, LLC and Exelixis, Inc.
10.64**	Second Amendment to the Contract Research Agreement, effective as of October 27, 2008, by and among Agrigenetics, Inc., Mycogen Corporation, Exelixis Plant Sciences, Inc. and Exelixis, Inc.
10.65**	Collaboration Agreement, dated December 11, 2008, by and between Exelixis, Inc. and Bristol-Myers Squibb Company.
10.66**	Amendment No. 1 to the Collaboration Agreement, dated December 17, 2008, by and between Exelixis, Inc. and Bristol-Myers Squibb Company.
10.67**	Letter Agreement, dated December 11, 2008, between Exelixis, Inc. and Bristol-Myers Squibb Company.

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Number	Description
21.1	Subsidiaries of Exelixis, Inc.
23.1	Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.
24.1	Power of Attorney (contained on signature page).
31.1	Certification required by Rule 13a-14(a) or Rule 15d-14(a)
31.2	Certification required by Rule 13a-14(a) or Rule 15d-14(a).
32.1	Certification by the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer of Exelixis, Inc., as required by Rule 13a-14(b) or 15d-14(b) and Section 1350 of Chapter 63 of Title 18 of the United States Code (18 U.S.C. 1350).

Management contract or compensatory plan.

± The reference to shares has been adjusted to reflect the reverse stock split which occurred in April 2000.

* Confidential treatment granted for certain portions of this exhibit.

** Confidential treatment requested for certain portions of this exhibit.

This certification accompanies this Annual Report on Form 10-K, is not deemed filed with the SEC and is not to be incorporated by reference into any filing of the Company under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (whether made before or after the date of this Annual Report on Form 10-K), irrespective of any general incorporation language contained in such filing.

1. Filed as an Exhibit to Exelixis, Inc. s Current Report on Form 8-K, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on September 28, 2004 and incorporated herein by reference.
2. Filed as an Exhibit to Exelixis, Inc. s Registration Statement on Form S-1 (File No. 333-96335), as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 7, 2000, as amended, and incorporated herein by reference.
3. Filed as an Exhibit to Exelixis, Inc. s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2004, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 5, 2004 and incorporated herein by reference.
4. Filed as an Exhibit to Exelixis, Inc. s Current Report on Form 8-K, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 15, 2004 and incorporated herein by reference.
5. Filed as an Exhibit to Exelixis, Inc. s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2005, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 9, 2005 and incorporated herein by reference.

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6. Filed as an Exhibit to Exelixis, Inc. s Current Report on Form 8-K, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on June 15, 2006 and incorporated herein by reference.
7. Filed as an Exhibit to Exelixis, Inc. s Current Report on Form 8-K, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on October 21, 2004 and incorporated herein by reference.
8. Filed as an Appendix to Exelixis, Inc. s Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 18, 2005 and incorporated herein by reference.
9. Filed as an Exhibit to Exelixis, Inc. s Registration Statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-52434), as filed with the Securities Exchange Commission on December 21, 2000 and incorporated herein by reference.
10. Filed as an Exhibit to Exelixis, Inc. s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2004, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 8, 2004 and incorporated herein by reference.

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11. Filed as an Exhibit to Exelixis, Inc. s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 15, 2005 and incorporated herein by reference.
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16. Filed as an Exhibit to Exelixis, Inc. s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2002, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 8, 2002 and incorporated herein by reference.
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21. Filed as an Exhibit to Exelixis, Inc. s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2000, filed with the Securities Exchange Commission on May 15, 2000 and incorporated herein by reference.
22. Filed as an Exhibit to Exelixis, Inc. s Current Report on Form 8-K, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 27, 2005 and incorporated herein by reference.
23. Filed as an Exhibit to Exelixis, Inc. s Current Report on Form 8-K, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 23, 2004 and incorporated herein by reference.

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33. Filed as an Exhibit to Exelixis, Inc. s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 28, 2007, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 25, 2008 and incorporated herein by reference.

34. Filed as an Exhibit to Exelixis, Inc. s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 28, 2008, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 6, 2008 and incorporated herein by reference.

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