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REGISTRATION STATEMENT  
UNDER  
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

GEOVAX LABS, INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	2834 (Primary Standard Industrial Classification Code Number)	87-0455038 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)
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PROSPECTUS

PRELIMINARY PROSPECTUS, SUBJECT TO COMPLETION DATED MAY 12, 2011

GEOVAX LABS, INC.

UP TO \_\_\_\_\_ UNITS, EACH CONSISTING OF ONE SHARE OF COMMON STOCK AND A WARRANT TO PURCHASE ONE ADDITIONAL SHARE OF COMMON STOCK

This is a best efforts offering of up to \$10,000,000 (\_\_\_\_\_ units) at a price of \$\_\_\_\_\_ per unit. Each unit consists of one share of GeoVax Labs, Inc. common stock (\$0.001 par value) and a five-year callable warrant to purchase one additional share of GeoVax Labs, Inc. common stock at an exercise price of \$\_\_\_\_\_, or 20% above the offering price of the units. The units will separate immediately upon issuance and trade separately. Proceeds will be deposited in an escrow account until the closing of the offering. Investors will have no right to the return of their funds during the term of the escrow.

Our common stock is quoted on the OTC Bulletin Board under the symbol "GOVX." On May 10, 2011, the last reported sale price for our common stock on the OTC Bulletin Board was \$1.20 per share. We do not intend to apply for listing of the warrants on any securities exchange.

Investing in the common stock involves certain risks. See "Risk Factors" beginning on page 5 for a discussion of these risks.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

	Per Unit	Total \$5,000,000 of Gross Proceeds	Total Maximum Offering
Public offering price	\$	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 10,000,000
Placement agents' commissions	\$	\$ 400,000	\$ 800,000
Proceeds to us(1)	\$	\$ 4,600,000	\$ 9,200,000

(1) We have agreed to pay our placement agent an aggregate commission of (i) 8% of the aggregate gross proceeds (\$\_\_\_\_\_ per unit) received by the Company if they are more than \$2,000,000 and (ii) 6% of aggregate gross proceeds (\$\_\_\_ per unit) if they are less than \$2,000,000. See "Plan of Distribution."

(2) Before deducting expenses of this offering payable by us estimated to be approximately \$150,000.

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The placement agent is not required to sell any specific number of units or dollar amount of units but will use its best efforts to sell the units. Brokers or dealers effecting transactions in these shares should confirm that the units are registered under the applicable state law or that an exemption from registration is available.

This offering will terminate on \_\_\_\_\_, 2011, unless the offering is fully subscribed before that date or we decide to terminate the offering prior to that date. In either event, the offering may be closed without further notice to you. All costs associated with the registration will be borne by us.

Gilford Securities Incorporated

The date of this Prospectus is May \_\_, 2011

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You should rely only on the information contained in this prospectus and in any accompanying prospectus supplement. We have not authorized anyone to provide you with different information.

We have not authorized anyone to make an offer of these shares of common stock in any jurisdiction where the offer is not permitted.

You should not assume that the information in this prospectus or prospectus is accurate as of any date other than the date on the front of this prospectus.



## PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

This summary highlights information contained elsewhere in this prospectus. It does not contain all of the information that you should consider before investing in our securities. Please read the entire prospectus carefully, including the section entitled “Risk Factors” and our consolidated financial statements and the related notes. We have not authorized anyone else to provide you with different information, and if you receive any unauthorized information you should not rely on it. The information appearing in this prospectus is accurate only as of its date. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects may have changed since that date.

You should not invest unless you can afford to lose your entire investment.

### Company Overview

GeoVax, Labs, Inc. is a biotechnology company dedicated to developing vaccines that prevent and fight human immunodeficiency virus, commonly known as HIV, infections that result in acquired immunodeficiency syndrome, or AIDS. Our HIV/AIDS vaccines are being evaluated in humans who are not HIV infected for their potential to be used to prevent infection should the person be exposed to HIV. Our vaccines are also being evaluated in HIV infected individuals for their potential to serve as a therapy for those who are already infected. Our vaccines are designed to function against the clade B subtype of the HIV virus that is prevalent in the US and the developed world. There is a large need for a clade B HIV vaccine. Currently there are an estimated 2.7 million people infected with clade B and 55,000 - 58,000 new clade B infections occurring in the U.S. every year. Each of these U.S. infections costs an estimated \$500,000 over the lifetime of the infected individual.

The therapeutic use of our vaccine is in Phase 1/2 human clinical testing sponsored by GeoVax. These trials were initiated based on promising preclinical data from therapeutic trials in infected non-human primates. We expect the Phase 1/2 human trial to begin generating vaccine safety and performance data during late 2011 and early 2012. If the data are encouraging, we expect to amend and expand this study into a larger Phase 2 clinical trial.

The preventative use of our vaccine is being tested in humans by the U.S. National Institutes of Health-funded HIV Vaccine Trials Network, or the HVTN. The first generation of our preventative vaccine is one of only five vaccine candidates out of more than 80 tested by the HVTN to have progressed to Phase 2 testing. Based on current enrollment progress, we expect this 300 participant Phase 2a clinical trial to complete enrollment and inoculations during 2011 with study analysis and completion during 2012. We have commenced planning for a Phase 2b clinical trial of our preventative vaccine – vaccine production is being scheduled and discussions are underway with government sponsors for protocol development. The HVTN is also planning to test a granulocyte-macrophage colony-stimulating factor (GM-CSF) co-expressing second generation of our vaccine that was successfully tested in non-human primates, with a target start date of Phase 1 clinical testing in late 2011. The new vaccine induced immune responses that resulted in a 70% rate of prevention of infection.

Our vaccine candidates currently incorporate two delivery components: a recombinant deoxyribonucleic acid, or DNA vaccine, and a recombinant poxvirus designated modified vaccinia Ankara or MVA vaccine. Both the DNA and MVA vaccines contain sufficient HIV genes to support the production of non-infectious virus-like particles. These particles display the native trimeric-membrane-bound form of the viral envelope glycoprotein that mediates entry into cells and is the target for protective antibody. When used together, the recombinant DNA component primes immune responses, which are boosted by administration of the recombinant MVA component. For the preventative uses of our vaccine, we are also investigating use of the recombinant MVA vaccine alone for both priming and boosting.

Support for the therapeutic use of the vaccine comes from pre-clinical studies in non human primates in which infected animals were drug-treated, vaccinated and then drug interrupted. Following treatment interruption, median levels of viral replication, measured as a function of viral RNA, were 100-times lower than those measured prior to



drug and vaccine treatment. The therapeutic reductions in viral replication were associated with the vaccine eliciting T-cells (a form of white blood cell) with functional characteristics known to successfully control viral infections.

The preventative use of our vaccine candidates are supported by strong clinical data in humans and preclinical data in non-human primates. In Phase 1 human trials in uninfected people, our vaccines have induced both anti-viral antibodies and anti-viral T cells. In preventative vaccine studies in non-human primates, the antibodies and T cells elicited by a GM-CSF-co-expressing SIV prototype of our second generation HIV vaccine induced immune responses that prevented SIV infection in 70% of animals. This prevention is associated with the tightness with which the antibody elicited by our vaccines binds to the surface envelope glycoprotein of the virus.

Work on our vaccines began during the 1990s at Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia, under the direction of Dr. Harriet L. Robinson, who is now our Chief Scientific Officer. The vaccine technology was developed in collaboration with researchers at the United States National Institutes of Health (NIH) and the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The technology developed by the collaboration is exclusively licensed to us from Emory University. We also have nonexclusive rights through our license to certain patents owned by the NIH and exclusive license rights to certain manufacturing process patents of MFD, Inc.

Much of our vaccine effort has been supported by government funds. Human clinical testing, except for the therapeutic trial, has been conducted by the HVTN using funding from the NIH. Recently, the HVTN has accelerated plans for clinical testing of the highly promising GM-CSF-co-expressing second generation form of our preventative vaccine, with a targeted start date in late 2011. This planning includes discussion of the large scale trials needed for efficacy testing. Research on the addition of adjuvants to our vaccine is supported by a \$19 million, five-year Integrated Preclinical/Clinical AIDS Vaccine Development (IPCAVD) grant from the NIH.

Our common stock is quoted on the OTC Bulletin Board under the symbol "GOVX." On May 10, 2011, the last reported sale price for our common stock on the OTC Bulletin Board was \$1.20 per share. We do not intend to apply for listing of the warrants on any securities exchange.

As used herein, "GeoVax," the "Company," "we," "our," and similar terms include GeoVax Labs, Inc., and its operating subsidiary, GeoVax, Inc., unless the context indicates otherwise.

We are incorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware. Our principal executive offices are located at 1900 Lake Park Drive, Suite 380, Smyrna, Georgia 30080 (metropolitan Atlanta). Our telephone number is (678) 384-7220. The address of our website is [www.geovax.com](http://www.geovax.com). Information on our website is not part of this prospectus.

### SUMMARY FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The following summary financial data are derived from our consolidated financial statements. The historical results presented below are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for any future period. You should read the information set forth below in conjunction with "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations," and our consolidated financial statements and the related notes, beginning on page F-1 of this prospectus.

Statement of Operations Data	Three Months Ended March 31		Years Ended December 31,				
	2011	2010	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
Total revenues (grant income)	\$ 893,002	\$ 1,338,560	\$ 5,185,257	\$ 3,668,195	\$ 2,910,170	\$ 237,004	\$ 852,905
Net loss	\$ (606,282)	\$ (690,789 )	\$ (2,747,328)	\$ (3,284,252)	\$ (3,728,187)	\$ (4,241,796)	\$ (584,166)
Basic and diluted net loss per	\$ (0.04 )	\$ (0.04 )	\$ (0.18 )	\$ (0.22 )	\$ (0.25 )	\$ (0.30 )	\$ (0.07 )

common  
share(1)

Balance Sheet

Data:

	2011	March 31, 2010	2010	2009	December 31, 2008	2007	2006
Total assets	\$2,067,917	\$ 3,835,150	\$2,357,834	\$ 4,315,597	\$ 3,056,241	\$ 3,246,404	\$ 2,396,330
Total stockholders' equity	\$1,395,059	\$ 3,362,055	\$1,836,226	\$ 3,744,232	\$ 2,709,819	\$ 2,647,866	\$ 2,203,216

THE OFFERING

Securities Offered	Up to _____ units representing an aggregate price of \$10,000,000. Each unit will consist of one share of our common stock and a warrant to purchase another share of our common stock.
Number of Shares Outstanding Prior to the Offering	15,699,909 shares. (1)
Number of Shares to be Outstanding After the Offering	_____ shares if \$5,000,000 of units is sold. (1) _____ shares if all units offered are sold.
Description of Unit Warrants:	The five-year callable warrants will have an exercise price of \$_____ per share, or 20% above the offering price of the units. See “Description of Capital Stock and Unit Warrants.”
Use of Proceeds	To have vaccines manufactured for our therapeutic and preventative clinical trials; to conduct Phase 1/2 human clinical trials for the therapeutic use of our vaccine; regulatory and technical support for the preventative clinical trials being conducted by HVTN; and for working capital and general corporate purposes.
OTC Bulletin Board Symbol for Our Common Stock	GOVX
Risk Factors	The securities offered by this prospectus are speculative and involve a high degree of risk and investors purchasing securities should not purchase the securities unless they can afford the loss of their entire investment. See “Risk Factors” beginning on page 5.

(1) The number of shares of our common stock to be outstanding after this offering is based on the number of shares outstanding as of April 30, 2011, and excludes:

- 1,197,529 shares of common stock reserved for future issuance under our equity incentive plans. As of April 30, 2011, there were options to purchase 1,137,356 shares of our common stock outstanding under our equity incentive plans with a weighted average exercise price of \$5.33 per share;
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882,776 shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of currently outstanding warrants as of April 30, 2011, with a weighted average exercise price of \$6.20 per share; and

- Up to \_\_\_\_\_ shares of common stock that will be issuable upon exercise of the unit warrants at an exercise price of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per share (20% above the offering price per unit) sold as part of the units in this offering.

## RISK FACTORS

You should carefully consider the risks, uncertainties and other factors described below before you decide whether to buy units. Any of the factors could materially and adversely affect our business, financial condition, operating results and prospects and could negatively impact the market price of our securities. Also, you should be aware that the risks and uncertainties described below are not the only ones we face. Additional risks and uncertainties, of which we are not yet aware, or that we currently consider to be immaterial, may also impair our business operations. You should also refer to the other information contained in this prospectus, including our financial statements and the related notes.

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

We have a history of operating losses, and we expect losses to continue for the foreseeable future.

We have had no product revenue to date and there can be no assurance that we will ever generate any product revenue. We have experienced operating losses since we began operations in 2001. As of March 31, 2011, we had an accumulated deficit of approximately \$20.9 million. We expect to incur additional operating losses and expect cumulative losses to increase as our research and development, pre-clinical, clinical, manufacturing and marketing efforts expand. Our ability to generate revenue and achieve profitability depends on our ability to successfully complete the development of our product candidates, conduct pre-clinical tests and clinical trials, obtain the necessary regulatory approvals, and manufacture and market the resulting products. Unless we are able to successfully meet these challenges, we will not be profitable and may not remain in business.

Our business will require continued funding. If we do not receive adequate funding, we will not be able to continue our operations.

To date, we have financed our operations principally through the private placement of equity securities and through NIH grants. We will require substantial additional financing at various intervals for our operations, including clinical trials, operating expenses, intellectual property protection and enforcement, for pursuit of regulatory approvals, and for establishing or contracting out manufacturing, marketing and sales functions. There is no assurance that such additional funding will be available on terms acceptable to us or at all. If we are not able to secure the significant funding that is required to maintain and continue our operations at current levels, or at levels that may be required in the future, we may be required to delay clinical studies or clinical trials, curtail operations, or obtain funds through collaborative arrangements that may require us to relinquish rights to some of our products or potential markets.

The costs of conducting all of our human clinical trials to date have been borne by the HVTN, funded by the NIH, with GeoVax incurring costs associated with manufacturing the clinical vaccine supplies and other study support. This includes the cost of conducting the ongoing Phase 2a human clinical study of our preventative vaccine. We cannot predict the level of support we will receive from the HVTN or the NIH for any additional clinical trials. We are currently not receiving any governmental support for our Phase 1 therapeutic vaccine human clinical trial.

Our operations are also partially supported by the IPCAVD grant awarded to us to support our HIV/AIDS vaccine program. The project period for the grant, which is renewable annually, covers a five year period which commenced October 2007. The most recent annual award under the grant is for the period from September 1, 2010 through August 31, 2011 in the amount of \$4.9 million. We intend to pursue additional grants from the federal government. However, as we progress to the later stages of our vaccine development activities, government financial support may be more difficult to obtain, or may not be available at all. Therefore, it will be necessary for us to look to other sources of funding in order to finance our development activities.

We believe that our current working capital, combined with proceeds from the IPCAVD grant awarded from the NIH, and without consideration given to net proceeds from this offering will be sufficient to support our planned level of operations into the first quarter of 2012.

Assuming \$5,000,000 of units is sold, we expect to have sufficient funding to support our planned operations through at least mid-2013. Assuming the maximum amount of units is sold, we expect to have sufficient funding to support our planned and expanded operations at least through mid-2014. Should the financing we require to sustain our working capital needs be unavailable or prohibitively expensive when we require it, the consequences could have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results, financial condition and prospects.

The current economic downturn may adversely impact our ability to raise capital.

The recession and adverse conditions in the national and global markets may negatively affect both our ability to raise capital and our operations in the future. The volatile equity markets and adverse credit markets may make it difficult for us to raise capital or procure credit in the future to fund the growth of our business, which could have a negative impact on our business and results of operations.

## Risks Related to Development and Commercialization of Product Candidates and Dependence on Third Parties

Our products are still being developed and are unproven. These products may not be successful.

To become profitable, we must generate revenue through sales of our products. However our products are in varying stages of development and testing. Our products have not been proven in human clinical trials and have not been approved by any government agency for sale. If we cannot successfully develop and prove our products and processes, or if we do not develop other sources of revenue, we will not become profitable and at some point we would discontinue operations.

Whether we are successful will be dependent, in part, upon the leadership provided by our management. If we were to lose the services of any of these individuals, our business and operations may be adversely affected. Further, we may not carry key man insurance on our executive officers or directors.

Whether our business will be successful will be dependent, in part, upon the leadership provided by our officers, particularly our President and Chief Executive Officer and our Chief Scientific Officer. The loss of the services of these individuals may have an adverse effect on our operations. Although we carry some key man insurance on Dr. Harriet L. Robinson, the amount of such coverage may not be sufficient to offset any adverse economic effects on our operations and we do not carry key man insurance on any of our other executive officers or directors. Further, our employees, including our executive officers and directors, are not subject to any covenants not to compete against the Company, and our business could be adversely affected if any of our employees or directors engaged in an enterprise competitive with the Company.

Regulatory and legal uncertainties could result in significant costs or otherwise harm our business.

To manufacture and sell our products, we must comply with extensive domestic and international regulation. In order to sell our products in the United States, approval from the FDA is required. Satisfaction of regulatory requirements, including FDA requirements, typically takes many years, and if approval is obtained at all, it is dependent upon the type, complexity and novelty of the product, and requires the expenditure of substantial resources. We cannot predict whether our products will be approved by the FDA. Even if they are approved, we cannot predict the time frame for approval. Foreign regulatory requirements differ from jurisdiction to jurisdiction and may, in some cases, be more stringent or difficult to meet than FDA requirements. As with the FDA, we cannot predict if or when we may obtain these regulatory approvals. If we cannot demonstrate that our products can be used safely and successfully in a broad segment of the patient population on a long-term basis, our products would likely be denied approval by the FDA and the regulatory agencies of foreign governments.

We will face intense competition and rapid technological change that could result in products that are superior to the products we will be commercializing or developing.

The market for vaccines that protect against or treat HIV/AIDS is intensely competitive and is subject to rapid and significant technological change. We will have numerous competitors in the United States and abroad, including, among others, large companies with substantially greater resources than us. These competitors may develop technologies and products that are more effective or less costly than any of our future technology or products or that could render our technology or products obsolete or noncompetitive. If our technology or products are not competitive, we may not be able to remain in business.

Our product candidates are based on new medical technology and, consequently, are inherently risky. Concerns about the safety and efficacy of our products could limit our future success.



We are subject to the risks of failure inherent in the development of product candidates based on new medical technologies. These risks include the possibility that the products we create will not be effective, that our product candidates will be unsafe or otherwise fail to receive the necessary regulatory approvals, and that our product candidates will be hard to manufacture on a large scale or will be uneconomical to market.

Many pharmaceutical products cause multiple potential complications and side effects, not all of which can be predicted with accuracy and many of which may vary from patient to patient. Long term follow-up data may reveal additional complications associated with our products. The responses of potential physicians and others to information about complications could materially affect the market acceptance of our products, which in turn would materially harm our business.

We may experience delays in our clinical trials that could adversely affect our financial results and our commercial prospects.

We do not know whether planned clinical trials will begin on time or whether we will complete any of our clinical trials on schedule, if at all. Product development costs will increase if we have delays in testing or approvals or if we need to perform more or larger clinical trials than planned. Significant delays may adversely affect our financial results and the commercial prospects for our products, and delay our ability to become profitable.

We rely heavily on the HVTN, independent clinical investigators, and other third party service providers for successful execution of our clinical trials, but do not control many aspects of their activities. We are responsible for ensuring that each of our clinical trials is conducted in accordance with the general investigational plan and protocols for the trial. Moreover, the FDA requires us to comply with standards, commonly referred to as Good Clinical Practices, for conducting, recording, and reporting the results of clinical trials to assure that data and reported results are credible and accurate and that the rights, integrity and confidentiality of trial participants are protected. Our reliance on third parties that we do not control does not relieve us of these responsibilities and requirements. Third parties may not complete activities on schedule, or may not conduct our clinical trials in accordance with regulatory requirements or our stated protocols. The failure of these third parties to carry out their obligations could delay or prevent the development, approval and commercialization of our product candidates.

Failure to obtain timely regulatory approvals required to exploit the commercial potential of our products could increase our future development costs or impair our future sales.

None of our vaccines are approved by the FDA for sale in the United States or by other regulatory authorities for sale in foreign countries. To exploit the commercial potential of our technologies, we are conducting and planning to conduct additional pre-clinical studies and clinical trials. This process is expensive and can require a significant amount of time. Failure can occur at any stage of testing, even if the results are favorable. Failure to adequately demonstrate safety and efficacy in clinical trials could delay or preclude regulatory approval and restrict our ability to commercialize our technology or products. Any such failure may severely harm our business. In addition, any approvals we obtain may not cover all of the clinical indications for which approval is sought, or may contain significant limitations in the form of narrow indications, warnings, precautions or contraindications with respect to conditions of use, or in the form of onerous risk management plans, restrictions on distribution, or post-approval study requirements.

State pharmaceutical marketing compliance and reporting requirements may expose us to regulatory and legal action by state governments or other government authorities.

In recent years, several states have enacted legislation requiring pharmaceutical companies to establish marketing compliance programs and file periodic reports on sales, marketing, pricing and other activities. Similar legislation is being considered in other states. Many of these requirements are new and uncertain, and available guidance is limited. Unless we are in full compliance with these laws, we could face enforcement action and fines and other penalties and could receive adverse publicity, all of which could harm our business.

We may be subject to new federal and state legislation to submit information on our open and completed clinical trials to public registries and databases.

In 1997, a public registry of open clinical trials involving drugs intended to treat serious or life-threatening diseases or conditions was established under the FDA Modernization Act, or the FDMA, to promote public awareness of and access to these clinical trials. Under the FDMA, pharmaceutical manufacturers and other trial sponsors are required to post the general purpose of these trials, as well as the eligibility criteria, location and contact information of the trials.

Since the establishment of this registry, there has been significant public debate focused on broadening the types of trials included in this or other registries, as well as providing for public access to clinical trial results. A voluntary coalition of medical journal editors has adopted a resolution to publish results only from those trials that have been registered with a no-cost, publicly accessible database, such as [www.clinicaltrials.gov](http://www.clinicaltrials.gov). Federal legislation was introduced in the fall of 2004 to expand [www.clinicaltrials.gov](http://www.clinicaltrials.gov) and to require the inclusion of trial results in this registry. The Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America also issued voluntary principles for its members to make results from certain clinical trials publicly available and established a website for this purpose. Other groups have adopted or are considering similar proposals for clinical trial registration and the posting of clinical trial results. Failure to comply with any clinical trial posting requirements could expose us to negative publicity, fines and other penalties, all of which could materially harm our business.

We will face uncertainty related to pricing and reimbursement and health care reform.

In both domestic and foreign markets, sales of our products will depend in part on the availability of reimbursement from third-party payers such as government health administration authorities, private health insurers, health maintenance organizations and other health care-related organizations. Reimbursement by such payers is presently undergoing reform and there is significant uncertainty at this time how this will affect sales of certain pharmaceutical products.

Medicare, Medicaid and other governmental healthcare programs govern drug coverage and reimbursement levels in the United States. Federal law requires all pharmaceutical manufacturers to rebate a percentage of their revenue arising from Medicaid-reimbursed drug sales to individual states. Generic drug manufacturers' agreements with federal and state governments provide that the manufacturer will remit to each state Medicaid agency, on a quarterly basis, 11% of the average manufacturer price for generic products marketed and sold under abbreviated new drug applications covered by the state's Medicaid program. For proprietary products, which are marketed and sold under new drug applications, manufacturers are required to rebate the greater of (a) 15.1% of the average manufacturer price or (b) the difference between the average manufacturer price and the lowest manufacturer price for products sold during a specified period.

Both the federal and state governments in the United States, and foreign governments, continue to propose and pass new legislation, rules and regulations designed to contain or reduce the cost of health care. Existing regulations that affect the price of pharmaceutical and other medical products may also change before any of our products are approved for marketing. Cost control initiatives could decrease the price that we receive for any product developed in the future. In addition, third-party payers are increasingly challenging the price and cost-effectiveness of medical products and services and litigation has been filed against a number of pharmaceutical companies in relation to these issues. Additionally, some uncertainty may exist as to the reimbursement status of newly approved injectable pharmaceutical products. Our products may not be considered cost-effective or adequate third-party reimbursement may not be available to enable us to maintain price levels sufficient to realize an adequate return on our investment.

We may not be successful in establishing collaborations for product candidates we may seek to commercialize, which could adversely affect our ability to discover, develop, and commercialize products.

We expect to seek collaborations for the development and commercialization of product candidates in the future. The timing and terms of any collaboration will depend on the evaluation by prospective collaborators of the clinical trial results and other aspects of our vaccine's safety and efficacy profile. If we are unable to reach agreements with suitable collaborators for any product candidate, we will be forced to fund the entire development and commercialization of such product candidates, ourselves, and we may not have the resources to do so. If resource constraints require us to enter into a collaboration agreement early in the development of a product candidate, we may be forced to accept a more limited share of any revenues this product may eventually generate. We face significant competition in seeking appropriate collaborators. Moreover, these collaboration arrangements are complex and time-consuming to negotiate and document. We may not be successful in our efforts to establish collaborations or other alternative arrangements for any product candidate. Even if we are successful in establishing collaborations, we may not be able to ensure fulfillment by collaborators of their obligations or our expectations.

We do not have manufacturing, sales or marketing experience and our lack of experience may restrict our success in commercializing our product candidates.

We do not have experience in manufacturing, marketing, or selling vaccines. We may be unable to establish satisfactory arrangements for manufacturing, marketing, sales, and distribution capabilities necessary to commercialize and gain market acceptance for our products. To obtain the expertise necessary to successfully manufacture, market, and sell our vaccines, we will require the development of our own commercial infrastructure and/or collaborative commercial arrangements and partnerships. Our ability to make that investment and also execute our current operating plan is dependent on numerous factors, including, the performance of third party collaborators with whom we may contract. Accordingly, we may not have sufficient funds to successfully commercialize our vaccines in the United States or elsewhere.

Furthermore, our products may not gain market acceptance among physicians, patients, healthcare payers and the medical community. Significant factors in determining whether we will be able to compete successfully include:

- the efficacy and safety of our vaccines;
- the time and scope of regulatory approval;
- reimbursement coverage from insurance companies and others;
- the price and cost-effectiveness of our products; and
- the ability to maintain patent protection.

We may be required to defend lawsuits or pay damages for product liability claims.

Product liability is a major risk in testing and marketing biotechnology and pharmaceutical products. We may face substantial product liability exposure in human clinical trials and for products that we sell after regulatory approval. We carry product liability insurance and we expect to continue such policies. However, product liability claims, regardless of their merits, could exceed policy limits, divert management's attention, and adversely affect our reputation and the demand for our products.

## Risks Related to Our Intellectual Property

We could lose our license rights to our important intellectual property if we do not fulfill our contractual obligations to our licensors.

Our rights to significant parts of the technology we use in our vaccines are licensed from third parties and are subject to termination if we do not fulfill our contractual obligations to our licensors. Termination of intellectual property rights under any of our license agreements could adversely impact our ability to produce or protect our vaccines. Our obligations under our license agreements include requirements that we make milestone payments to our licensors upon the achievement of clinical development and regulatory approval milestones, royalties as we sell commercial products, and reimbursement of patent filing and maintenance expenses. Should we become bankrupt or otherwise unable to fulfill our contractual obligations, our licensors could terminate our rights to critical technology that we rely upon.

Other parties may claim that we infringe their intellectual property or proprietary rights, which could cause us to incur significant expenses or prevent us from selling products.

Our success will depend in part on our ability to operate without infringing the patents and proprietary rights of third parties. The manufacture, use and sale of new products have been subject to substantial patent rights litigation in the pharmaceutical industry. These lawsuits generally relate to the validity and infringement of patents or proprietary rights of third parties. Infringement litigation is prevalent with respect to generic versions of products for which the patent covering the brand name product is expiring, particularly since many companies that market generic products focus their development efforts on products with expiring patents. Pharmaceutical companies, biotechnology companies, universities, research institutions or other third parties may have filed patent applications or may have been granted patents that cover aspects of our products or our licensors' products, product candidates or other technologies.

Future or existing patents issued to third parties may contain patent claims that conflict with our products. We expect to be subject to infringement claims from time to time in the ordinary course of business, and third parties could assert infringement claims against us in the future with respect to our current products or with respect to products that we may develop or license. Litigation or interference proceedings could force us to:

- stop or delay selling, manufacturing or using products that incorporate, or are made using, the challenged intellectual property;
- pay damages; or
- enter into licensing or royalty agreements that may not be available on acceptable terms, if at all.

Any litigation or interference proceedings, regardless of their outcome, would likely delay the regulatory approval process, be costly and require significant time and attention of our key management and technical personnel.

Any inability to protect intellectual property rights in the United States and foreign countries could limit our ability to manufacture or sell products.

We will rely on trade secrets, unpatented proprietary know-how, continuing technological innovation and, in some cases, patent protection to preserve our competitive position. Our patents and licensed patent rights may be challenged, invalidated, infringed or circumvented, and the rights granted in those patents may not provide proprietary protection or competitive advantages to us. We and our licensors may not be able to develop patentable products.

Even if patent claims are allowed, the claims may not issue, or in the event of issuance, may not be sufficient to protect the technology owned by or licensed to us. If patents containing competitive or conflicting claims are issued to third parties, we may be prevented from commercializing the products covered by such patents, or may be required to obtain or develop alternate technology. In addition, other parties may duplicate, design around or independently develop similar or alternative technologies.

We may not be able to prevent third parties from infringing or using our intellectual property, and the parties from whom we may license intellectual property may not be able to prevent third parties from infringing or using the licensed intellectual property. We generally will attempt to control and limit access to, and the distribution of, our product documentation and other proprietary information. Despite efforts to protect this proprietary information, unauthorized parties may obtain and use information that we may regard as proprietary. Other parties may independently develop similar know-how or may even obtain access to these technologies.

The laws of some foreign countries do not protect proprietary information to the same extent as the laws of the United States, and many companies have encountered significant problems and costs in protecting their proprietary information in these foreign countries.

Neither the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office nor the courts have established a consistent policy regarding the breadth of claims allowed in pharmaceutical patents. The allowance of broader claims may increase the incidence and cost of patent interference proceedings and the risk of infringement litigation. On the other hand, the allowance of narrower claims may limit the value of our proprietary rights.

#### Risks Related to This Offering and Our Securities

We will have broad discretion over the use of the net proceeds from this offering.

We intend to use the proceeds as described in “Use of Proceeds.” However, the allocation of proceeds will depend in part upon how much money we raise and future developments in our business. Our judgment as to such allocations may not result in positive returns on your investment and you will not have an opportunity to evaluate the economic, financial, or other information upon which we base our decisions.

Future sales by our stockholders may adversely affect our stock price and our ability to raise funds in new stock offerings.

Sales of substantial amounts of our common stock in the public market following this offering, or the perception that these sales could occur, could cause the market price of our common stock to decline. These sales could also 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. Most of the outstanding shares held by our affiliates will be eligible for sale upon the expiration of lock-up agreements 180 days after the date of this prospectus, subject in some cases to volume and other restrictions of Rule 144 under the Securities Act. The lock-up period may be extended in certain cases for up to 18 additional days.

There is no public market for the warrants to purchase common stock being offered in this offering.

There is no established public trading market for the warrants being offered in this offering, and we do not expect a market to develop. In addition, we do not intend to apply for listing the warrants on any securities exchange. Without an active market, the liquidity of the warrants will be limited.

If the registration statement covering the shares issuable upon exercise of the warrants contained in the units is no longer effective, the shares issuable upon exercise of the warrants will be issued with restrictive legends unless such shares are eligible for sale under Rule 144.

There is no firm commitment to purchase units, and there can be no assurance we will sell any units.

The Company is offering the units through the placement agent on a “best efforts” basis. The placement agent has made no commitment to purchase any units offered hereby. Consequently, there can be no assurance that the units offered hereby will be sold.

Investors in this offering will experience immediate and substantial dilution and may experience additional dilution in the future.



Investors in this offering will incur immediate and substantial dilution as a result of this offering. After giving effect to the sale by us of all of units offered in this offering at a public offering price of \$     per unit, and after deducting placement agent commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us, our net tangible book value per share, as of March 31, 2011, would have been \$     , representing an immediate dilution of \$     per share, or     %, of the public offering price, assuming no exercise of the warrants. In addition, in the past, we issued options and warrants to acquire shares of common stock. To the extent these options and warrants are ultimately exercised at prices below the then-current market value, investors in this offering will sustain future dilution.

The market price of our common stock is highly volatile.

The market price of our common stock has been, and is expected to continue to be, highly volatile. Certain factors, including announcements of new developments by us or other companies, regulatory matters, new or existing medicines or procedures, concerns about our financial position, operating results, litigation, government regulation, developments or disputes relating to agreements, patents or proprietary rights, may have a significant impact on the market price of our stock. In addition, potential dilutive effects of future sales of shares of common stock by us, including those sold pursuant to this prospectus, and subsequent sales of common stock by the holders of warrants and options could have an adverse effect on the market price of our shares.

Our common stock does not have a vigorous trading market and you may not be able to sell your securities when desired.

We have a limited active public market for our common shares. A more active public market, allowing you to sell large quantities of our common stock, may never develop. Consequently, you may not be able to liquidate your investment in the event of an emergency or for any other reason.

We have never paid dividends and have no plans to do so.

Holders of shares of our common stock are entitled to receive such dividends as may be declared by our Board of Directors. To date, we have paid no cash dividends on our shares of common stock and we do not expect to pay cash dividends on our common stock in the foreseeable future. We intend to retain future earnings, if any, to provide funds for operations of our business. Therefore, any potential return investors in our common stock may have will be in the form of appreciation, if any, in the market value of their shares of common stock.

If we fail to maintain an effective system of internal controls, we may not be able to accurately report our financial results or prevent fraud.

We are subject to reporting obligations under the United States securities laws. The Securities and Exchange Commission, or the SEC, as required by the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, adopted rules requiring every public company to include a management report on such company's internal controls over financial reporting in its annual report. Effective internal controls are necessary for us to produce reliable financial reports and are important to help prevent fraud. As a result, our failure to achieve and maintain effective internal controls over financial reporting could result in the loss of investor confidence in the reliability of our financial statements, which in turn could negatively impact the trading price of our stock.

If we fail to remain current in our reporting requirements, our securities could be removed from the OTC Bulletin Board, which would limit the ability of broker-dealers to sell our securities and the ability of stockholders to sell their securities in the secondary market.

United States companies trading on the OTC Bulletin Board must be reporting issuers under Section 12 of the Exchange Act, and must be current in their reports under Section 13. If we fail to remain current on our reporting requirements, we could be removed from the OTC Bulletin Board. As a result, the market liquidity for our securities could be severely adversely affected by limiting the ability of broker-dealers to sell our securities and the ability of stockholders to sell their securities in the secondary market.

We may need additional capital, and the sale of additional shares or other equity securities could result in additional dilution to our stockholders.

We believe that our current cash and cash equivalents, anticipated cash flow from operations and the net proceeds from this financing (assuming the mid-point of \$5 million) will be sufficient to meet our anticipated cash needs at least through mid-2013. We may, however, require additional cash resources. If our resources are insufficient to satisfy our cash requirements, we may seek to sell additional equity securities or borrow money. The sale of additional equity securities could result in additional dilution to our stockholders. The incurrence of indebtedness would result in debt service obligations and could result in operating and financing covenants that would restrict our operations. We cannot assure you that financing will be available in amounts or on terms acceptable to us, if at all.

Our directors and executive officers beneficially own a significant amount of our common stock and will be able to exercise significant influence on matters requiring stockholder approval.

Our directors and executive officers collectively beneficially own approximately 18.1% of our common stock as of April 30, 2011. After the offering and assuming all units offered hereby are sold, our directors and executive officers will collectively beneficially own approximately % of our common stock. Consequently, our directors and executive officers as a group will continue to be able to exert significant influence over the election of directors and the outcome of most corporate actions requiring stockholder approval and our business, which may have the effect of delaying or precluding a third party from acquiring control of us. Furthermore, Emory University beneficially owns 29.4% of our common stock as of April 30, 2011, and will beneficially own approximately % if all units offered hereby are sold. If our directors and executive officers move to act in concert with Emory University, their ability to influence stockholder actions will be even more significant.

Certain provisions of our certificate of incorporation may make it more difficult for a third party to effect a change in control.

Our certificate of incorporation authorizes our Board of Directors to issue up to 10,000,000 shares of preferred stock. The preferred stock may be issued in one or more series, the terms of which may be determined at the time of issuance by our Board of Directors without further action by the stockholders. These terms may include voting rights including the right to vote as a series on particular matters, preferences as to dividends and liquidation, conversion rights, redemption rights and sinking fund provisions. The issuance of any preferred stock could diminish the rights of holders of our common stock, and therefore could reduce the value of our common stock. In addition, specific rights granted to future holders of preferred stock could be used to restrict our ability to merge with, or sell assets to, a third party. The ability of our Board of Directors to issue preferred stock could make it more difficult, delay, discourage, prevent or make it more costly to acquire or effect a change-in-control, which in turn could prevent the stockholders from recognizing a gain in the event that a favorable offer is extended and could materially and negatively affect the market price of our common stock.

### FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

The information contained in this prospectus, includes forward-looking statements as defined in the Private Securities Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements are often identified by words such as “may,” “will,” “expect,” “intend,” “anticipate,” “believe,” “estimate,” “continue,” “plan,” their negatives, and similar expressions, although not all forward-looking statements contain these identifying words. These statements involve estimates, assumptions and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed for the reasons described in this prospectus. You should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements.

The forward-looking statements contained in this prospectus are based on our expectations, which reflect estimates and assumptions made by our management. These estimates and assumptions reflect our best judgment based on currently known industry developments, our scientific work, contractual arrangements, and other factors. Although we believe such estimates and assumptions to be reasonable, they are inherently uncertain and involve a number of risks and uncertainties that are beyond our control. In addition, our assumptions about future events may prove to be inaccurate. We caution all readers that the forward-looking statements contained in this prospectus are not guarantees of future performance, and we cannot assure any reader that such statements will be realized or the forward-looking events and circumstances will occur. Actual results may differ materially from those anticipated or implied in the forward-looking statements due to the factors listed in the “Risk Factors” section and elsewhere in this prospectus. All forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this prospectus. We do not intend to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. These cautionary statements qualify all forward-looking statements attributable to us, or persons acting on our behalf. The risks, contingencies and uncertainties relate to, among other matters, the following: our history of operating losses, our need for continued funding, the development stage of our vaccines, regulatory and legal uncertainties, competition, the difficulty of obtaining timely regulatory approvals, uncertainty as to third party reimbursements, the impact of healthcare reform, difficulties related to our intellectual property, and other factors discussed under “Risk Factors.”

Other factors besides those described in this prospectus and any prospectus supplement could also affect our actual results. These forward-looking statements are largely based on our expectations and beliefs concerning future events, which reflect estimates and assumptions made by our management. These estimates and assumptions reflect our best judgment based on currently known market conditions and other factors relating to our operations and business environment, all of which are difficult to predict and many of which are beyond our control.



## USE OF PROCEEDS

We estimate that the net proceeds, after commissions of 8% and after expenses estimated at \$500,000, from the sale of the units will be approximately \$4.1 million assuming that we sell the \$5,000,000 of units, and \$8.7 million assuming we sell the maximum number of such units we are offering pursuant to this prospectus. If aggregate gross proceeds are \$2,000,000 or less, we will pay a commission of 6%. We will retain broad discretion over the use of the net proceeds to us from any sale of the units under this prospectus.

SOURCES AND USES	\$5,000,000 OF GROSS PROCEEDS		MAXIMUM OFFERING	
Sources:				
Gross Proceeds	\$ 5,000,000	(100.0)%	\$ 10,000,000	(100.0)%
Uses:				
Commissions	\$ 400,000	(8.0)%	\$ 800,000	(8.0)%
Offering expenses, other than commissions	\$ 150,000	(3.0)%	\$ 150,000	(1.5)%
Manufacture vaccine for clinical trials	\$ 1,200,000	(24.0)%	\$ 2,000,000	(20.0)%
Phase 1/2 clinical trials for therapeutic use of our HIV vaccine	\$ 1,500,000	30.0%	\$ 4,000,000	40.0%
Working capital and general corporate purposes, including regulatory and technical support for preventative clinical trials conducted by HTVN	\$ 1,750,000	35.0%	\$ 3,050,000	30.5%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 5,000,000</b>	<b>(100.0)%</b>	<b>\$ 10,000,000</b>	<b>(100)%</b>

We plan to apply the proceeds in approximately the order listed above. However, as our business develops, the amount to be allocated to particular uses may change. For example, if a clinical trial is extended or terminated, then a greater or lesser amount of funds will be required. If we raise less than \$5,000,000 in gross proceeds, we will need additional funding before mid-2013 in order to continue our operations at their planned level.

We may receive proceeds from the exercise of warrants included within the units sold pursuant to this offering. Since the warrants may or may not be exercised and, if exercised, may be exercised in whole or in part using a cashless exercise mechanism, we cannot predict the amount or timing of sums we may receive as a result of any warrant exercises.

MARKET FOR REGISTRANT'S COMMON EQUITY  
AND RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS

Market Information

Our common stock is currently traded on the OTC Bulletin Board market under the symbol "GOVX." The following table sets forth the high and low bid prices for our common stock for the periods indicated. The prices represent quotations between dealers and do not include retail mark-up, markdown, or commission, and do not necessarily represent actual transactions:

	High	Low
2011		
Second Quarter (through May 10, 2011)	\$1.40	\$1.10
First Quarter	\$ 1.53	\$ 1.10
2010		
Fourth Quarter	\$ 2.18	\$ 0.63
Third Quarter	\$ 3.35	\$ 1.52
Second Quarter	\$ 6.50	\$ 2.25
First Quarter	\$ 9.00	\$ 5.00
2009		
Fourth Quarter	\$ 12.50	\$ 7.00
Third Quarter	\$ 16.50	\$ 6.00
Second Quarter	\$ 19.00	\$ 5.00
First Quarter	\$ 10.00	\$ 4.50

Holders

On April 30, 2011, there were approximately 1,000 holders of record of our common stock. The number of record holders does not reflect the number of beneficial owners of our common stock for whom shares are held by brokerage firms and other institutions.

Dividends

We have not paid any dividends since our inception and do not contemplate paying dividends in the foreseeable future.

## CAPITALIZATION

The following table sets forth our capitalization as of March 31, 2011:

- on an actual basis; and
- on a pro forma as adjusted basis giving effect to the sale of units, each of which will include one share of common stock, in this offering at an assumed public offering price of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per unit, after deducting the estimated commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us, and application of net proceeds.

	Actual	Pro Forma as Adjusted(1) \$5,000,000 of Gross Proceeds	Maximum
Common stock, \$0.001 par value 40,000,000 shares authorized, 15,676,099 shares outstanding at March 31, 2011, _____ shares outstanding if \$5,000,000 of units is sold, _____ shares outstanding if the maximum number of units is sold	\$ 15,677	\$ —	—
Preferred stock, \$0.001 par value, 10,000,000 shares authorized, none outstanding	\$ —	\$ —	—
Additional paid-in-capital	\$ 22,270,840	\$ —	—
Deficit accumulated during the development stage	\$ (20,891,458)	\$ (20,891,458)	\$ (20,891,458)
Total Stockholders' Equity	\$ 1,395,059	\$ —	—

(1) These columns do not reflect the issuance or exercise of any warrants included within the units sold as part of this offering.

## SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

The following selected financial data are derived from our consolidated financial statements. The historical results presented below are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for any future period. You should read the information set forth below in conjunction with the information contained in Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, and our consolidated financial statements and the related notes, beginning on page F-1 of this prospectus.

Statement of Operations Data	Three Months Ended March 31		Years Ended December 31,				
	2011	2010	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
	\$ 893,002	\$ 1,338,560	\$ 5,185,257	\$ 3,668,195	\$ 2,910,170	\$ 237,004	\$ 852,905



Total revenues (grant income)

Net loss \$ (606,282) \$ (690,789 ) \$ (2,747,328) \$ (3,284,252) \$ (3,728,187) \$ (4,241,796) \$ (584,166)

Basic and diluted net loss per common share(1) \$ (0.04 ) \$ (0.04 ) \$ (0.18 ) \$ (0.22 ) \$ (0.25 ) \$ (0.30 ) \$ (0.07 )

Balance Sheet

Data:	2011	March 31, 2010	2010	2009	December 31, 2008	2007	2006
Total assets	\$2,067,917	\$ 3,835,150	\$2,357,834	\$ 4,315,597	\$ 3,056,241	\$ 3,246,404	\$ 2,396,330

Total stockholders' equity	\$1,395,059	\$ 3,362,055	\$1,836,226	\$ 3,744,232	\$ 2,709,819	\$ 2,647,866	\$ 2,203,216
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## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations should be read together with the discussion under "Selected Financial Data" and our consolidated financial statements included in this prospectus beginning at page F-1. This discussion contains forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties because they are based on current expectations and relate to future events and our future financial performance. Our actual results may differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements as a result of many important factors, including those set forth under "Risk Factors" and elsewhere in this prospectus.

### Overview

GeoVax, a biotechnology company, focuses on developing vaccines to protect against or to treat diseases caused by HIV. We have exclusively licensed vaccine technology from Emory University that was developed at Emory University in collaboration with the NIH and the CDC.

Our major ongoing research and development programs are focused on the clinical development of our DNA and MVA vaccines designed for use together in a prime-boost system for the prevention and/or treatment of HIV/AIDS. We are developing two clinical pathways for our vaccine candidates — (i) as a therapeutic vaccine to prevent development of AIDS in those individuals who have already been infected with the HIV virus, and (ii) as a preventative vaccine to prevent or control infection of individuals who are exposed to the HIV virus..

The therapeutic use of our vaccine is currently being tested in a Phase 1/2 human clinical trial being sponsored by GeoVax. We expect this trial to begin generating vaccine safety and performance data during late 2011 and early 2012. If the data are encouraging, we expect to amend and expand this study into a larger Phase 2 clinical trial.

Our preventative HIV vaccine candidate has completed Phase 1 clinical testing trials in humans and is currently in a Phase 2a clinical trial, being conducted by the HIV Vaccine Trials Network, or the "HVTN", with funding from the NIH. We expect to complete patient enrollment and inoculations for this trial during 2011, with full study results available during 2012. Early results from this Phase 2a trial are still blinded, but consistent with continued safety and reproducible immunogenicity.

In addition to our clinical development program, we are conducting pre-clinical research on the impact of adding adjuvants (immune system stimulants) to the DNA priming component of our vaccine. Specifically, this novel vaccine co-expresses human granulocyte-macrophage stimulating factor ("GM-CSF") and non-infectious HIV virus-like particles. In non human primate models the GM-CSF-enhanced vaccine achieved protection against simian immunodeficiency virus ("SIV") in 70% of the animals. The HVTN is currently planning Phase 1 human clinical testing of the GM-CSF adjuvanted version of our vaccine, which we expect to begin in late 2011.

### Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

This discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations is based on our consolidated financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. The preparation of these financial statements requires management to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses and related disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. On an ongoing basis, management evaluates its estimates and adjusts the estimates as necessary. We base our estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ materially from these estimates

under different assumptions or conditions.

Our significant accounting policies are summarized in Note 2 to our consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2010. We believe the following critical accounting policies affect our more significant judgments and estimates used in the preparation of our consolidated financial statements:

#### Impairment of Long-Lived Assets

Long-lived assets are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. Recoverability of assets to be held and used is measured by a comparison of the carrying amount of the assets to the future net cash flows expected to be generated by such assets. If such assets are considered to be impaired, the impairment to be recognized is measured by the amount by which the carrying amount of the assets exceeds the discounted expected future net cash flows from the assets.

## Revenue Recognition

We recognize revenue in accordance with the SEC's Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 101, Revenue Recognition in Financial Statements, as amended by Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 104, Revenue Recognition, or SAB 104 provides guidance in applying U.S. generally accepted accounting principles to revenue recognition issues, and specifically addresses revenue recognition for upfront, non-refundable fees received in connection with research collaboration agreements. Our revenue consists solely of grant funding received from the NIH. Revenue from this arrangement is approximately equal to the costs incurred and is recorded as income as the related costs are incurred.

## Stock-Based Compensation

We account for stock-based transactions in which the Company receives services from employees, directors or others in exchange for equity instruments based on the fair value of the award at the grant date. Compensation cost for awards of common stock is estimated based on the price of the underlying common stock on the date of issuance. Compensation cost for stock options or warrants is estimated at the grant date based on each instrument's fair-value as calculated by the Black-Scholes option pricing model. The Company recognizes stock-based compensation cost as expense ratably on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period for the award.

## Liquidity and Capital Resources

At March 31, 2011, we had cash and cash equivalents of \$541,727 and total assets of \$2,067,917, as compared to \$1,079,087 and \$2,357,834, respectively, at December 31, 2010. Working capital totaled \$658,633 at March 31, 2011, compared to \$1,080,584 at December 31, 2010.

## Sources and Uses of Cash

We are a development-stage company as defined by Financial Accounting Standards Board, or FASB, Accounting Standards Codification, or ASC, Topic 915, "Development Stage Entities" and do not have any products approved for sale. Due to our significant research and development expenditures, we have not been profitable and have generated operating losses since our inception in 2001. Our primary sources of cash are from sales of our equity securities and from government grant funding.

## Cash Flows from Operating Activities

Net cash used in operating activities was \$529,484 for the three month period ended March 31, 2011 as compared to \$540,779 for the comparable period in 2010. Net cash used in operating activities was \$2,007,169, \$1,425,150, and \$2,367,886 for the years ended December 31, 2010, 2009 and 2008, respectively. Generally, the differences between periods are due to fluctuations in our net losses which, in turn, result from fluctuations in expenditures from our research activities, offset by net changes in our assets and liabilities.

The costs of conducting all of our human clinical trials to date, except for the therapeutic trial, have been borne by the HVTN, funded by the NIH, with GeoVax incurring costs associated with manufacturing the clinical vaccine supplies and other study support. The HVTN and the NIH are bearing the cost of conducting our ongoing Phase 2a human clinical trial and have indicated their support for the planned Phase 1 clinical trial of the GM-CSF adjuvanted version of our vaccine. We cannot, however, predict the level of support we will receive from the HVTN or the NIH for any additional clinical trials. We are currently not receiving any governmental support for our Phase 1/2 therapeutic vaccine trial.

Our operations are also partially funded by the IPCAVD grant awarded to us in September 2007 by the NIH to support our HIV/AIDS vaccine program. The project period for the grant, which is renewable annually, covers a five-year period which commenced in October 2007, with an expected annual award of generally between \$3 and \$4 million per year (approximately \$19.4 million in the aggregate). The most recent annual award under the grant is for the period from September 1, 2010 through August 31, 2011 in the amount of \$4.9 million. We are utilizing this funding to further our HIV/AIDS vaccine development, optimization and production for human clinical trial testing, primarily with regard to our research into vaccine adjuvants. The funding we receive pursuant to this grant is recorded as revenue at the time the related expenditures are incurred, and thus partially offsets our net losses. As of March 31, 2011, there is approximately \$3.6 million remaining from the current grant year's award. Assuming that the remaining budgeted amounts under the grant are awarded to us, there is an additional \$3.8 million available through the grant for the remainder of the original five year project period ending August 31, 2012. If the annual grant does not occur, we will experience a shortfall in anticipated cash flow and will be required to promptly seek other funds to address the shortfall.

We intend to pursue additional grants from the federal government. However, as we progress to the later stages of our vaccine development activities, government financial support may be more difficult to obtain, or may not be available at all. Therefore, it will be necessary for us to look to other sources of funding in order to finance our development activities.

#### Cash Flows from Investing Activities

Our investing activities have consisted predominantly of capital expenditures. There were no capital expenditures during the three months ended March 31, 2011 or for the comparable period in 2010. Capital expenditures for the years ended December 31, 2010, 2009 and 2008, were \$4,706, \$270,246, and \$99,831, respectively, and during 2010, we received \$5,580 in proceeds from the sale of equipment.

#### Cash Flows from Financing Activities

Net cash used by financing activities was \$7,876 for the three month period ended March 31, 2011, as compared to \$371,897 for the comparable period in 2010. Net cash used by financing activities was \$430,402 for the year ended December 31, 2010, as compared to net cash provided by financing activities of \$3,020,000 and \$2,668,541 for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively. The cash used by financing activities during 2011 and 2010 relates to costs associated with our proposed 2010 public offering, as well as this offering. During 2009, we received \$1,500,000 from the exercise of a stock purchase warrant. During 2009 and 2008, we received \$1,520,000 and \$406,091, respectively, net of associated costs, from the sale of our common stock pursuant to a stock purchase agreement that provided us the right to sell shares to an investor through July 31, 2010. The remaining cash generated by our financing activities during 2008 relates to the sale of our common stock and warrants to individual accredited investors.

Our capital requirements, particularly as they relate to product research and development, have been and will continue to be significant. We anticipate incurring additional losses for several years as we expand our drug development and clinical programs and proceed into higher cost human clinical trials. Conducting clinical trials for our vaccine candidates in development is a lengthy, time-consuming and expensive process. We will not generate revenues from the sale of our technology or products for at least several years, if at all. For the foreseeable future, we will be dependent on obtaining financing from third parties in order to maintain our operations, including our clinical program. Due to the existing uncertainty in the capital and credit markets, and adverse regional and national economic conditions that may persist or worsen, capital may not be available on terms acceptable to the Company or at all. If we fail to obtain additional funding when needed, we would be forced to scale back or terminate our operations, or to seek to merge with or to be acquired by another company.

In any event, we anticipate raising additional capital during 2011, although there can be no assurance that we will be able to do so. While we believe that we will be successful in obtaining the necessary financing to fund our operations through grants, this offering, exercise of options and warrants, and/or other sources, there can be no assurances that such additional funding will be available to us on reasonable terms or at all.

The units sold in this offering will include only shares and warrants offered by the Company. There can be no assurance that we will be able to successfully complete the offering, or that we will be able to sell all of the units offered.

We believe that our current working capital combined with the proceeds from the IPCAVD grant awarded from the NIH, and without consideration given to net proceeds from this offering, will be sufficient to support our planned level of operations into the first quarter of 2012 without significant changes to our business plan. Assuming \$5,000,000 of units is sold, we expect to have sufficient funding to support our planned operations through mid-2013.

Assuming the maximum amount of units is sold, we expect to have sufficient funding to support our planned and expanded operations through at least mid-2014. Should the financing we require to sustain our working capital needs be unavailable or prohibitively expensive when we require it, the consequences could have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results, financial condition and prospects.

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

#### Contractual Obligations

As of March 31, 2011, we had firm purchase obligations of approximately \$910,000 as compared to approximately \$942,000 at December 31, 2010. We have no committed lines of credit and no other committed funding or long-term debt. We have employment agreements with our senior management team, each of which may be terminated with 30 days advance notice. There have been no other material changes to our contractual obligations since December 31, 2010.

The table below represents our contractual obligations as of December 31, 2010, aggregated by type (in thousands). At that date, we had no other material firm purchase obligations or commitments for capital expenditures and no committed lines of credit or other committed funding or long-term debt. The table excludes budgeted expenses under our two Research Agreements with Emory University which are fully reimbursable to us pursuant to the IPCAVD grant from the NIH and cover a period of less than one year.

Contractual Obligations	Total	Payments Due by Period			
		Less than 1 Year	1-3 Years	4-5 Years	More than 5 years
Operating Lease Obligations (1)	\$494	\$118	\$376	\$--	\$--
Firm Purchase Commitments (2)	\$942	\$641	\$301	\$--	\$--
Emory University – License Agreement (3)	--	--	--	--	--
Total	\$1,436	\$759	\$677	\$--	\$--

- (1) Our operating lease obligations relate to the facility lease for our 8,430 square foot facility in Smyrna, Georgia, which houses our laboratory operations and our administrative offices. The lease, which was effective November 1, 2009, expires on December 31, 2014.
- (2) Firm purchase commitments relate to contracts for production and testing of our vaccine products, conduct of clinical trials, and other research-related activities.
- (3) Pursuant to the Emory License, we have committed to make potential future milestone and royalty payments which are contingent upon the occurrence of future events. Such events include development milestones, regulatory approvals and product sales. Because the achievement of these milestones is currently neither probable nor reasonably estimable, the contingent payments have not been included in the table above or recorded on our Consolidated Balance Sheets. The aggregate total of all potential milestone payments included in the Emory License (excluding royalties on net sales) is approximately \$3.5 million.

#### Net Operating Loss Carryforwards

At December 31, 2010, we had consolidated net operating loss carryforwards for income tax purposes of \$72.1 million, which will expire in 2011 through 2030 if not utilized. Approximately \$59.7 million of our net operating loss carryforwards relate to the operations of our predecessor, Dauphin Technology, Inc. prior to the 2006 merger between Dauphin Technology, Inc. and GeoVax, Inc. We also have research and development tax credits of approximately \$735,000 available to reduce income taxes, if any, which will expire in 2022 through 2030 if not utilized. The amount of net operating loss carryforwards and research tax credits available to reduce income taxes in any particular year may be limited in certain circumstances. Based on an assessment of all available evidence including, but not limited to, our limited operating history in our core business and lack of profitability, uncertainties of the commercial viability of our technology, the impact of government regulation and healthcare reform initiatives, and other risks normally associated with biotechnology companies, we have concluded that it is more likely than not that these net operating loss carryforwards and credits will not be realized and, as a result, a 100% deferred tax valuation allowance has been recorded against these assets.

#### Results of Operations – Three months ended March 31, 2011 compared to three months ended March 31, 2010

##### Net Loss

We recorded a net loss of \$606,282 for the three months ended March 31, 2011 as compared to \$690,789 for the three months ended March 31, 2010. Our net losses will typically fluctuate due to the timing of activities and related costs associated with our vaccine research and development activities and our general and administrative costs, as described in more detail below.

##### Grant Revenue



During the three months ended March 31, 2011 we recorded grant revenue of \$893,002, as compared to \$1,338,560 during the comparable period of 2010. Our grant revenues relate to the IPCAVD grant awarded to us in 2007 by the NIH to support our HIV/AIDS vaccine program. This five-year grant is subject to annual renewal, with the latest grant award covering the period from September 2010 through August 2011 in the amount of \$4.9 million. As of March 31, 2011, there was approximately \$3.6 million remaining from the current grant year's award and (assuming that the remaining budgeted amounts under the grant are awarded to the Company) there is an additional \$3.8 million available through the grant for the remainder of the original five-year project period ending August 31, 2012. The difference in our grant revenues from period to period is directly related to our expenditures for activities supported by the IPCAVD grant, and can fluctuate dramatically based on the timing of the related expenditures.

## Research and Development

During the three months ended March 31, 2011, we incurred \$838,467 of research and development expense as compared to \$1,369,185 during the three months ended March 31, 2010. Research and development expenses can vary considerably on a period-to-period basis, depending on our need for vaccine manufacturing and testing of manufactured vaccine by third parties, and due to fluctuations in the timing of other external expenditures related to our IPCAVD grant from the NIH. As discussed above under Grant Revenue, during the three month period ended March 31, 2010, our grant expenditures were significantly higher due primarily to the cost of supplemental primate studies being conducted at Emory University. Research and development expense also includes stock-based compensation expense of \$53,885 and \$51,446 for the three months ended March 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively (see discussion under “Stock-Based Compensation Expense” below). Our research and development costs do not include costs incurred by HVTN in conducting trials of GeoVax vaccines.

We expect that our research and development costs will increase during the remainder of 2011 and beyond as we continue to perform the activities supported by the IPCAVD grant, and as we progress into the later stages of clinical testing for our vaccine candidates currently in human clinical trials.

Our vaccine candidates still require significant, time-consuming and costly research and development, testing and regulatory clearances. Completion of clinical development will 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 cost of the ongoing Phase 2a clinical trial for our preventative vaccine is being funded by the HVTN, but we cannot be certain whether the HVTN or any other external source will provide funding for further development. We intend to seek government and/or third party support for future clinical human trials, but there can be no assurance that we will be successful. The duration and the cost of future clinical trials may vary significantly over the life of the project as a result of differences arising during development of the human clinical trial protocols, including, among others:

- the number of patients that ultimately participate in the clinical trial;
- the duration of patient follow-up that seems appropriate in view of the results;
- the number of clinical sites included in the clinical trials; and
- the length of time required to enroll suitable patient subjects.

Due to the uncertainty regarding the timing and regulatory approval of clinical trials and pre-clinical studies, our future expenditures are likely to be highly volatile in future periods depending on the outcomes of the trials and studies. From time to time, we will make determinations as to how much funding to direct to these programs in response to their scientific, clinical and regulatory success, anticipated market opportunity and the availability of capital to fund our programs.

In developing our product candidates, we are subject to a number of risks that are inherent in the development of products based on innovative technologies. For example, it is possible that our vaccines may be ineffective or toxic, or will otherwise fail to receive the necessary regulatory clearances, causing us to delay, extend or terminate our product development efforts. Any failure by us to obtain, or any delay in obtaining, regulatory approvals could cause our research and development expenditures to increase which, in turn, could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and cash flows. Because of the uncertainties of clinical trials, estimating the completion dates or cost to complete our research and development programs is highly speculative and subjective. As a result of these factors, we are unable to accurately estimate the nature, timing and future costs necessary to complete the development of our product candidates. In addition, we are unable to reasonably estimate the period when material net cash inflows could commence from the sale, licensing or commercialization of such product candidates, if ever.

## General and Administrative Expense

Our general and administrative expenses were \$661,813 during the three months ended March 31, 2011, as compared to \$668,821 during the three months ended March 31, 2010. General and administrative costs include officers' salaries, legal and accounting costs, patent costs, amortization expense associated with intangible assets, and other general corporate expenses. General and administrative expense includes stock-based compensation expense of \$111,230 and \$167,166 for the three months ended March 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively (see discussion under "Stock-Based Compensation Expense" below). We expect that our general and administrative costs will increase in the future in support of expanded research and development activities and other general corporate activities.

#### Stock-Based Compensation Expense

We recorded stock-based compensation expense of \$165,115 and \$218,612 during the three months ended March 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively, which was allocated to research and development expense or general and administrative expense according to the classification of cash compensation paid to the employee, consultant or director to whom the stock compensation was granted. In addition to amounts related to the issuance of stock options to employees, the figures include amounts related to common stock and stock purchase warrants issued to consultants and financial advisors. For the three months ended March 31, 2011 and 2010, stock-based compensation expense was allocated as follows:

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2011	2010
General and Administrative Expense	\$ 111,230	\$ 167,166
Research and Development Expense	53,885	51,446
Total Stock-Based Compensation Expense	\$ 165,115	\$ 218,612

#### Other Income

Interest income for the three months ended March 31, 2011 and 2010 was \$996 and \$8,657, respectively. The variances between periods are primarily attributable to cash available for investment and interest rate fluctuations.

#### Results of Operations — Years ended December 31, 2010, 2009, and 2008

##### Net Loss

We recorded net losses of \$2,747,328, \$3,284,252, and \$3,728,187 for the years ended December 31, 2010, 2009 and 2008, respectively. Our operating results typically fluctuate due to the timing of activities and related costs associated with our vaccine research and development activities and our general and administrative costs, as described in more detail below.

##### Grant Revenue

We recorded grant revenues of \$5,185,257, \$3,668,195, and \$2,910,170 for the years ended December 31, 2010, 2009 and 2008, respectively. During 2007, we were awarded the IPCAVD grant by the NIH to support our HIV/AIDS vaccine program. The grant is subject to annual renewal, with the latest grant award covering the period from September 2010 through August 2011 in the amount of \$4.9 million. As of December 31, 2010, there was approximately \$4.3 million remaining from the current grant year's award and (assuming that the remaining budgeted amounts under the grant are awarded to the Company) there is an additional \$3.8 million available through the grant for the remainder of the original five-year project period ending August 31, 2012.

##### Research and Development

Our research and development expenses were \$4,793,956, \$4,068,682, and \$3,741,489 for the years ended December 31, 2010, 2009 and 2008, respectively. Research and development expenses can vary considerably on a period-to-period basis, depending on our need for vaccine manufacturing by third parties, and due to fluctuations in the timing of expenditures related to our IPCAVD grant from the NIH. Research and development expense for these periods includes stock-based compensation expense of \$206,501, \$304,654, and \$494,041 for 2010, 2009 and 2008, respectively (see discussion under "Stock-Based Compensation Expense" below). Our research and development costs do not include costs incurred by HVTN in conducting trials of GeoVax vaccines.

The increase in research and development expense during each of the periods is due primarily to increased costs associated with activities funded by our IPCAVD grant, vaccine manufacturing costs, and costs associated with initiating a Phase 1/2 clinical trial for our therapeutic vaccine candidate.

The table below summarizes our research and development expenses for each of the years in the three year period ended December 31, 2010. The amounts shown related to the IPCAVD grant represent all direct costs associated with the grant activities, including salaries and personnel-related expenses, supplies, consulting, contract services and travel. The remainder of our research and development expense is allocated to our general HIV/AIDS vaccine program.

R&D Project	2010	2009	2008
IPCAVD Grant — Vaccine Adjuvants	\$ 3,385,193	\$ 2,772,397	\$ 2,504,850
DNA/MVA Vaccines — HIV/AIDS	1,408,763	1,296,285	1,236,639
Total Research and Development Expense	\$ 4,793,956	\$ 4,068,682	\$ 3,741,489

#### General and Administrative Expense

Our general and administrative expenses were \$3,162,134, \$2,914,845, and \$2,970,068 for the years ended December 31, 2010, 2009 and 2008, respectively. General and administrative costs include officers' salaries, legal and accounting costs, patent costs, amortization expense associated with intangible assets, and other general corporate expenses. General and administrative expense includes stock-based compensation expense of \$544,031, \$994,011, and \$1,525,008 for 2010, 2009 and 2008, respectively (see discussion under "Stock-Based Compensation Expense" below).

### Stock-Based Compensation Expense

We recorded total stock-based compensation expense of \$750,532, \$1,298,665, and \$2,019,049 during the years ended December 31, 2010, 2009 and 2008, respectively, which was allocated to research and development expense or general and administrative expense according to the classification of cash compensation paid to the employee, consultant or director to whom the stock compensation was granted. In addition to amounts related to the issuance of stock options to employees, the figures include amounts related to common stock and stock purchase warrants issued to consultants and non-employee directors. For the three years ended December 31, 2010, stock-based compensation expense was allocated as follows:

	2010	2009	2008
General and administrative expense	\$ 544,031	\$ 994,011	\$ 1,525,008
Research and development expense	206,501	304,654	494,041
Total stock-based compensation expense	\$ 750,532	\$ 1,298,665	\$ 2,019,049

### Other Income

Interest income was \$23,505, \$31,080, and \$73,200 for the years ended December 31, 2010, 2009 and 2008, respectively. The variances between years are primarily attributable to the cash available for investment and to interest rate fluctuations.

### Impact of Inflation

For the three year period ended December 31, 2010, we do not believe that inflation and changing prices had a material impact on our operations or on our financial results.

### Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

Our exposure to market risk is limited primarily to interest income sensitivity, which is affected by changes in the general level of U.S. interest rates, particularly because a significant portion of our investments are in short-term bank certificates of deposits and institutional money market funds. The primary objective of our investment activities is to preserve principal while at the same time maximizing the income received without significantly increasing risk. Due to the nature of our short-term investments, we believe that we are not subject to any material market risk exposure. We do not have any derivative financial instruments or foreign currency instruments.

### Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

We have not entered into off-balance sheet financing arrangements other than operating leases.

## BUSINESS

### Introduction

GeoVax is a biotechnology company dedicated to developing vaccines that prevent and fight HIV infections that result in AIDS. Our HIV/AIDS vaccines are being evaluated in humans who are not HIV infected for their potential to be used to prevent infection should the person be exposed to HIV. Our vaccines are also being evaluated in HIV infected individuals for their potential to serve as a therapy for those who are already infected. Our vaccines are designed to function against the clade B subtype of the HIV virus that is prevalent in the US and the developed world. There is a large need for a clade B HIV vaccine. Currently there are an estimated 2.7 million people infected with clade B and 55,000 – 58,000 new clade B infections in the U.S. every year. Each of these U.S. infections costs an estimated \$500,000 over the lifetime of the infected individual.

The therapeutic use of our vaccine is in Phase 1/2 human clinical testing sponsored by GeoVax. These trials were initiated based on promising preclinical data from therapeutic trials in infected non-human primates. We expect the Phase 1 human trial to begin generating vaccine safety and performance data during late 2011 and early 2012. If the data are encouraging, we expect to amend and expand the study into a larger Phase 2 clinical trial.

The preventative use of our vaccine is being tested in humans by the U.S. National Institutes of Health-funded HIV Vaccine Trials Network (HVTN). The first generation of our vaccine is one of only five vaccine candidates out of more than 80 tested by the HVTN to have progressed to Phase 2 testing. Based on current enrollment progress, we expect this 300 participant Phase 2a clinical trial to complete enrollment and inoculations during 2011 with study analysis and completion during 2012. The HVTN is also planning to test a granulocyte-macrophage colony-stimulating factor (GM-CSF) co-expressing second generation of our preventative vaccine that was successfully tested in non-human primates, with a target start date of Phase 1 clinical testing in late 2011. The new vaccine induced immune responses that resulted in a 70% rate of prevention of infection. We have commenced planning for a Phase 2b clinical trial of our preventative vaccine – vaccine production is being scheduled and discussions are underway with government sponsors for protocol development.

Our vaccine candidates currently incorporate two delivery components: a DNA vaccine, and an MVA vaccine. Both the DNA and MVA vaccines contain sufficient HIV genes to support the production of non-infectious virus-like particles. These particles display the native trimeric-membrane-bound form of the viral envelope glycoprotein that mediates entry into cells and is the target for protective antibody. When used together, the recombinant DNA component primes immune responses, which are boosted by administration of the recombinant MVA component. For the preventative uses of our vaccine, we are also investigating the use of the recombinant MVA vaccine alone for both priming and boosting.

Support for the therapeutic use of the vaccine comes from pre-clinical studies in non human primates in which infected animals were drug-treated, vaccinated and then drug interrupted. Following treatment interruption, median levels of viral replication, measured as a function of viral RNA, were 100-times lower than those measured prior to drug and vaccine treatment. The therapeutic reductions in viral replication were associated with the vaccine eliciting T-cells (a form of white blood cell) with functional characteristics known to successfully control viral infections.

The preventative uses of our vaccine candidates are supported by strong clinical data in humans and preclinical data in non-human primates. In Phase 1 human trials in uninfected people, our vaccines have induced both anti-viral antibodies and anti-viral T cells. In preventative vaccine studies in non-human primates, the antibodies and T cells elicited by a GM-CSF-co-expressing SIV prototype of our second generation HIV vaccine induced immune responses that prevented SIV infection in 70% of animals. This prevention is associated with the tightness with which the antibody elicited by our vaccines binds to the surface envelope glycoprotein of the virus.

Work on our vaccines began during the 1990s at Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia, under the direction of Dr. Harriet L. Robinson, who is now our Chief Scientific Officer. The vaccine technology was developed in collaboration with researchers at the United States National Institutes of Health (NIH) and the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The technology developed by the collaboration is exclusively licensed to us from Emory University. We also have nonexclusive rights through our license to certain patents owned by the NIH and exclusive license rights to certain manufacturing process patents of MFD, Inc.

Much of our vaccine effort has been supported by government funds. Human clinical testing, except for the therapeutic trial, has been conducted by the HVTN using funding from the NIH. Recently, the HVTN has accelerated plans for clinical testing of the highly promising GM-CSF-co-expressing second generation form of our vaccine. This planning includes discussion of the large scale trials needed for efficacy testing. Research on the addition of adjuvants to our vaccine is supported by a \$19 million, five-year IPCAVD grant from the NIH.

Our primary business is conducted by our subsidiary, GeoVax, Inc., which was incorporated under the laws of Georgia in June 2001. The predecessor of our parent company, GeoVax Labs, Inc. (the reporting entity) was originally incorporated in June 1988 under the laws of Illinois as Dauphin Technology, Inc., or Dauphin. In September 2006, Dauphin completed a merger with GeoVax, Inc. As a result of that merger, GeoVax, Inc. became a wholly-owned subsidiary of Dauphin, and Dauphin changed its name to GeoVax Labs, Inc. Unless otherwise indicated, information for periods prior to the September 2006 merger is that of GeoVax, Inc. In June 2008, the Company was reincorporated under the laws of Delaware. We currently do not conduct any business other than GeoVax, Inc.'s business of developing new products for the treatment or prevention of human diseases.



## Overview of HIV/AIDS

### What is HIV?

HIV is a retrovirus that carries its genetic code in the form of ribonucleic acid, or RNA. Retroviruses use RNA and the reverse transcriptase enzyme to create DNA from the RNA template. The HIV-1 virus invades a human cell and produces its viral DNA that is subsequently inserted into the chromosomes, which are the genetic material of a cell. HIV preferentially infects and replicates in T-cells, which are a type of white blood cell. Infection of T-cells alters them from immunity mediating cells to cells that produce and release HIV. This process results in the destruction of the immune defense system of infected individuals and ultimately, the development of AIDS.

There are several AIDS-causing HIV virus subtypes, or clades, that are found in different regions of the world. These clades are identified as clade A, clade B and so on. The predominant clade found in Europe, North America, parts of South America, Japan and Australia is clade B whereas the predominant clades in Africa are clades A and C. In India the predominant clade is clade C. Each clade differs by at least 20% with respect to its genetic sequence from other clades. These differences may mean that vaccines or treatments developed against HIV of one clade may only be partially effective or ineffective against HIV of other clades. Thus there is often a geographical focus to designing and developing vaccines suited for the local clade.

HIV, even within clades, has a high rate of mutation that supports a significant level of genetic variation. In drug treatment programs, virus mutation can result in the development of drug resistance, referred to as virus drug escape, thereby rendering drug therapy ineffective. Hence, we believe that multi-drug therapy is very important. If several drugs are active against virus replication, the virus must undergo multiple simultaneous mutations to escape, which is less likely. The same is true for immune responses. HIV can escape single targeted immune responses. However, our scientists believe if an immune response is directed against multiple targets, which are referred to as epitopes, virus escape is much less frequent. Vaccination against more than one of the proteins found in HIV increases the number of targets for the immune response as well as the chance that HIV will not escape the vaccine-stimulated immune response, thus resulting in protection against infection or the development of clinical AIDS once infection occurs.

### What is AIDS?

AIDS is the final, life-threatening stage of infection with the virus known as HIV. Infection with HIV severely damages the immune system, the body's defense against disease. HIV infects and gradually destroys T-cells and macrophages, which are white blood cells that play key roles in protecting humans against infectious disease caused by viruses, bacteria, fungi and other micro-organisms.

Opportunistic infections by organisms, normally posing no problem for control by a healthy immune system, can ravage persons with immune systems damaged by HIV infections. Destruction of the immune system occurs over years. The average onset of the clinical disease recognized as AIDS occurs after three to ten years of HIV infection if the virus is not treated effectively with drugs, but the time to developing AIDS is highly variable.

AIDS in humans was first identified in the United States in 1981, but researchers believe that it was present in Central Africa as early as 1959. AIDS is most often transmitted sexually from one person to another but it is also transmitted by blood in shared needles and through pregnancy and childbirth. Heterosexual activity is the most frequent route of transmission worldwide.

The level of virus in blood, known as viral load, is the best indicator of the speed with which an individual will progress to AIDS, as well as the frequency with which an individual will spread infection. An estimated 1% or fewer of those infected have low enough levels of the virus to preclude progression to AIDS and to not transmit the

infection. These individuals are commonly called long-term non-progressors.

AIDS is considered by many in the scientific and medical community to be the most lethal infectious disease in the world. According to the 2008 Report on the Global AIDS Epidemic published by UNAIDS, the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS, the total number of people living with HIV is 33.4 million globally with approximately 2.7 million newly infected in 2008 alone. Approximately 25 million people infected with HIV have died since the start of the HIV pandemic in 1981. The United States currently suffers about 56,000 infections per year with the highest rates found in Washington, D.C., where an estimated 3% of the population is infected, which is a prevalence rate higher than in some developing countries. According to International AIDS Vaccine Initiative, or the IAVI, in a model developed with Advanced Marketing Commitment dated June 2005, the global market for a safe and effective preventative AIDS vaccine is estimated at approximately \$4 billion or more.

At present, the standard approach to treating HIV infection is to decrease viral replication rates through the use of combinations of drugs. Available drugs include reverse transcriptase inhibitors, protease inhibitors, integration inhibitors and inhibitors of cell entry to block multiple essential steps in virus replication. However, HIV is prone to genetic changes that can produce strains that are resistant to currently approved drugs. When HIV acquires resistance to one drug within a class, it can often become resistant to the entire class, meaning that it may be impossible to re-establish control of a genetically altered strain by substituting different drugs in the same class. Furthermore, these treatments continue to have significant limitations which include toxicity, patient non-adherence to the treatment regimens and cost. As a result, over time, many patients develop intolerance to these medications or simply give up taking the medications due to the side effects.

According to the IAVI, the cost and complexity of new treatment advances for AIDS puts them out of reach for most people in the countries where treatment is most needed, and as noted above, in industrialized nations, where drugs are more readily available, side effects and increased rates of viral resistance have raised concerns about their long term use. AIDS vaccines, therefore, are seen by many as the most promising way to end the HIV/AIDS pandemic. It is expected that vaccines for HIV/AIDS, once developed, will be used universally and administered worldwide by any organization that provides health care services, including hospitals, medical clinics, the military, prisons and schools.

#### HIV/AIDS Vaccines Being Developed by GeoVax

Our vaccines, initially developed by our Chief Scientific Officer, Dr. Harriet L. Robinson at Emory University in collaboration with scientists at the NIH and the CDC, incorporate two vaccine delivery components: (1) a recombinant DNA and (2) a recombinant poxvirus, known as MVA, both of which deliver genes that encode inactivated HIV derived proteins to the immune system. Both the DNA and MVA vaccines contain sufficient HIV genes to support the production of non-infectious virus-like particles which display forms of proteins that appear authentic to the immune system. When used together, the recombinant DNA component is used to prime immune responses which are boosted by administration of the recombinant MVA component. However, in certain settings the recombinant MVA alone may be sufficient for priming and boosting the immune responses.

Our initial work focused on the development of a preventative vaccine for use in uninfected humans to prevent infection should they be exposed to the virus. In 2008, we undertook the development of a therapeutic vaccine for use in HIV infected humans to supplement approved drug regimens. For both preventative and therapeutic applications, our current focus is on a vaccine for use against clade B, which is common in the United States and the industrially developed world. However, if efficacy is documented against clade B, we plan to develop vaccines designed for use to combat the subtypes of HIV that predominate in developing countries, including clades A, C and an AG recombinant.

#### Induction of T-cell and Antibody Immune Responses

In both preclinical and clinical trials, our vaccines induce both anti-viral antibody and T-cell responses. The induction of both antibodies and T-cells is beneficial because these immune responses work through different mechanisms. Antibodies can block viruses from infecting cells. In preclinical vaccine studies using repeated rectal challenges with moderate doses of virus, the avidity, or tightness, of antibody binding to the surface envelope glycoprotein of HIV correlates with the prevention of infection. In high dose challenges that infect every animal at the first exposure, the avidity of the antibody for envelope glycoprotein correlates with reduced levels of virus replication. These results likely reflect the tightly binding antibody both blocking infection as well as tagging the virus and infected cells for destruction. Our vaccines elicit CD8 T-cells, a type of T-cell that can recognize and kill cells that become infected by virus. CD8 T-cells are important for the control of the virus that has established an infection. In our therapeutic vaccinations, our vaccines elicit high frequencies of CD8 T-cells with the functional characteristics of CD8 T-cells associated with control of viral infections in individuals termed "long-term non-progressors". Long-term non-progressors, who constitute less than 1% of all HIV-infected individuals, enjoy years of disease-free life without

the use of drugs.

#### DNA and MVA as Vaccine Vectors

Both the DNA and MVA vaccines produce virus-like particles containing the three major proteins of HIV. The virus-like particles cannot cause disease because they were designed with mutated or deleted enzymatic functions that are essential for virus replication. The virus-like particles display trimeric membrane bound forms of the HIV-1 envelope glycoprotein (Env). This is important because the natural form of the envelope glycoprotein elicits antibody capable of recognizing incoming virus and blocking infections. Expression of multiple proteins by the vaccine is important because each protein provides targets for cytotoxic T-cells. Elicitation of a multi-target T-cell response limits immune escape, just as multi-drug therapies limit drug escape.

MVA was selected for use as the live viral component of our vaccines because of its well established safety record and because of the ability of this vector to carry sufficient HIV proteins to produce virus-like particles. MVA was originally developed as a safer smallpox vaccine for use in immune compromised humans. It was developed by further attenuating the standard smallpox vaccine by making over 500 passages of the virus in chicken embryos or chick embryo fibroblasts which resulted in large genomic deletions. These deletions affected the ability of MVA to replicate in human cells, which can cause safety problems, but did not compromise the ability of MVA to grow on avian cells that are used for manufacturing the virus. The deletions also resulted in the loss of immune evasion genes which assist the spread of wild type smallpox infections, even in the presence of human immune responses. MVA was safely administered to over 120,000 people in the 1970s as a smallpox vaccine.

The availability of DNA and MVA vaccine delivery vectors provides GeoVax with the means to use combination vaccines that induce different patterns of T-cell and antibody responses. Specifically, the use of DNA to prime immune responses and MVA to boost immune responses elicits high levels of T-cells and thus could be particularly well-suited for therapeutic uses. Alternatively, the use of MVA to both prime and boost the immune response elicits higher levels of antibodies and therefore could be well-suited for use in prevention. The DNA prime also facilitates the targeting of genetic adjuvants, which are co-expressed by the vaccine vector with HIV proteins, to the site of immunization. This has proven to be particularly effective in our work using GM-CSF as an adjuvant in which a single DNA expresses both virus-like particles and GM-CSF.

#### Pre-clinical Studies

During the development of our preventative vaccines, multiple efficacy trials were conducted by vaccinating non-human primates with simian immunodeficiency virus prototypes of our HIV vaccines and then testing them for resistance to simian immunodeficiency virus. The experimental data produced by these trials documented the ability of the simian prototypes of our vaccines to induce immune responses that can prevent infection as well as reduce the levels of viral replication in those animals that become infected. Challenge studies completed by infecting animals using the rectal route and a viral dose estimated to be between 30 and 300 times higher than that to which humans are naturally exposed demonstrated that vaccination using our GM-CSF-adjuvanted product can prevent infections in approximately 70% of the vaccinated animals, even after 12 weekly experimental challenges.

For studies on the therapeutic potential of our vaccines, non-human primates were infected with simian immunodeficiency virus, placed on antiretroviral drugs, which mimic those used in humans, and vaccinated prior to ceasing drug therapy. Animals were then removed from drugs and monitored for the ability of the vaccine to control re-emergent virus. The vaccinated animals had virus replication at reduced levels over those before drug treatment and vaccination. The median level for these reductions in virus levels was 100-fold.

Based on the findings obtained from our preventative vaccination studies in animals, the FDA allowed our vaccines to be tested in Phase 1 and now Phase 2a clinical trials in HIV uninfected humans. The use of the vaccines for a therapeutic in HIV infected humans has also been allowed by the FDA, and this trial is ongoing.

#### Preventative Vaccine — Phase 1 Human Clinical Trials

All of our preventative vaccination trials in humans have been conducted by the HIV Vaccine Trials Network (HVTN), a network that is funded and supported by the NIH. The HVTN is the largest worldwide clinical trials network focused on the development and testing of HIV/AIDS vaccines. In our first Phase 1 clinical trial, HVTN 045, our DNA vaccine was tested without MVA boosting to document the safety of the DNA. Our second Phase 1 clinical trial, HVTN 065, was designed to test the combined use of DNA and MVA and consisted of a dose escalation for DNA delivered at 0 and 8 weeks and MVA delivered at 16 and 24 weeks, a DDMM regimen. The low dose consisted of 0.3 mg of DNA and  $1 \times 10^7$  tissue culture infectious doses (TCID<sub>50</sub>) of MVA. Once safety was demonstrated for

the low dose in 10 participants, the full dose (3 mg of DNA and  $1 \times 10^8$  TCID<sub>50</sub> of MVA) was administered to 30 participants. A single dose of DNA at time 0 followed by MVA at weeks 8 and 24, a DMM regimen, and three doses of MVA administered at weeks 0, 8 and 24, an MMM regimen, were also tested in 30 participants each. Participants were followed for 12 months to assess vaccine safety and to measure vaccine-induced immune responses.

Data from the HVTN 065 trial again documented the safety of the vaccine products but also showed that the DDMM and MMM regimens induced different patterns of immune responses (*Journal of Infectious Diseases*, Volume 203, pages 610-619). The full dose DDMM regimen induced higher response rates of CD4+ T-cells (77%) and CD8+ T-cells (42%) compared to the MMM regimen (43% CD4 and 17% CD8 response rates). In contrast, the highest response rates and highest titers of antibodies to the HIV Env protein were induced in the group that received only the MVA using the MMM regimen. Antibody response rates were documented to be higher for the MMM group using three different assays designed to measure total binding antibody levels for an immune dominant portion of the Env protein (27% for DDMM and 75% for MMM), binding of antibodies to the gp120 subunit of the envelope glycoprotein (81% for DDMM and 86% for MMM) and neutralizing antibodies (7% for DDMM and 30% for MMM). The 1/10th dose DDMM regimen induced overall similar T-cell responses but reduced antibody responses while the response rates were intermediate in the DMM group.

### Preventative Vaccine — Phase 2 Human Clinical Trials

Based on the safety and the immunogenicity results in the HVTN 045 and HVTN 065 trials, the use of two full dose DNA priming immunizations followed by two full dose MVA booster immunizations was selected for testing by the HVTN in a Phase 2a trial (designated HVTN 205) which commenced patient enrollment in February 2009. The Phase 2a clinical trial is designed to produce a larger database of safety and immunogenicity data in low risk individuals before proceeding to a Phase 2b clinical trial in high risk individuals.

The HVTN 205 trial was originally designed to test only the DDMM regimen, which consists of two DNA priming doses followed by two MVA booster doses, but has been amended to include testing the MVA priming and boosting regimen, or MMM, for a total of 300 participants. The addition of an amendment to add the MMM arm was triggered by two factors:

- the success of the U.S. Military-Thailand Phase 3 clinical trial, the first successful HIV-1 vaccine efficacy trial, which tested a vaccine that did not elicit high T-cell responses; and
- recent data from our ongoing studies in non-human primates showing that the MMM vaccine protected as well as the more complex DDMM regimen against infection by repeated experimental challenge using the rectal route.

We expect the enrollment and inoculations for the expanded Phase 2a clinical trial to be completed in 2011 with study analysis and completion during 2012.

Early results from the HVTN 205 trial for which data are still blinded suggest continuing safety and reproducible immunogenicity.

GeoVax is currently manufacturing vaccine material to support the next step: efficacy testing --so that progression through the development path can proceed smoothly for our preventative vaccine.

### Pre-clinical preventative studies using Granulocyte/Monocyte-Colony Stimulating Factor (GM-CSF)

GeoVax's research pipeline includes the use of adjuvants together with our DNA/MVA vaccine. Adjuvants are agents that improve vaccine efficacy. One of these, GM-CSF, a normal human protein that stimulates the first stages of immune responses, has shown particular promise. When GM-CSF is co-expressed in the DNA prime for the MVA boost, 70% prevention (not just control) of infection is achieved against 12 repeated rectal challenges with a dose of virus 30 to 300 times higher than typical heterosexual transmissions in humans. This work is being funded by the NIH through an IPCAVD grant to GeoVax. The HVTN is planning clinical testing of our GM-CSF adjuvanted vaccine with a targeted start date for Phase 1 clinical testing in late 2011.

### Therapeutic Vaccine — Phase 1/2 Human Clinical Trials

To help serve those people who are already infected with HIV, the Company is testing its vaccine for the ability to supplement, or even supplant, the need for antiretroviral therapeutic drugs in HIV-infected individuals. Antiretroviral therapeutic drugs, which are taken for life by individuals once infected with HIV, have side effects and are expensive, costing \$16,000 - \$18,000 per year. Thus the need for improved therapies is well known.

In 2007-2008, data were generated in three pilot studies on therapeutic vaccination in simian immunodeficiency virus-infected non-human primates. The vaccine used in these pilot studies was specific for simian immunodeficiency virus but with the design features of our HIV/AIDS vaccine. In these pilot studies, conducted at Yerkes National

Primate Research Center of Emory University, the immune systems of most infected and then vaccinated animals were able to control the infection. This control resulted in median levels of viral replication following post vaccination treatment interruption being 100-times lower than the median for viral replication prior to vaccination. In late February 2010, we filed an IND with the FDA to support Phase 1/2 clinical trials in HIV infected individuals. The Company received permission to begin the clinical trial, initiated the study and is currently enrolling patients. This initial trial is being conducted in Atlanta and Birmingham and will enroll individuals who began successful antiretroviral therapeutic drug treatment within 18 months of a negative HIV-1 antibody test. The primary goals of this clinical trial are to document the safety and immunogenicity of the vaccine using the DDMM regimen in patients with well-controlled infections. However, vaccine efficacy will be directly assessed through a period of anti-retroviral drug cessation. We expect this Phase 1/2 clinical trial to begin generating vaccine safety and immunogenicity data during late 2011 and early 2012. If the data are encouraging, we expect that this study would then be amended and expanded into a larger Phase 2 therapeutic trial.



### Support from the Federal Government

All of our Phase 1 human clinical trials to date, and our ongoing Phase 2a clinical trial, with the exception of the therapeutic clinical trial, have been conducted by the HVTN and funded by NIH-NIAID. Our responsibility for these clinical trials has been to provide sufficient supplies of vaccine materials and technical expertise when necessary.

In September 2007, we were the recipient of the IPCAVD grant to support our HIV/AIDS vaccine program, which was subsequently amended such that the total award now totals approximately \$19.4 million. This grant was awarded by the NIH-NIAID. The project period for the grant is over the five-year period that commenced October 1, 2007. The grant is subject to annual renewal with the latest grant award covering the period from September 1, 2010 through August 31, 2011. Only meritorious HIV/AIDS prevention vaccine candidates are considered to receive an IPCAVD award. Candidate companies are highly scrutinized and must supply substantial positive AIDS vaccine data to support their application. IPCAVD grants are awarded on a competitive basis and are designed to support later stage vaccine research, development and human trials. We are utilizing this funding to further our HIV/AIDS vaccine development, optimization and production, including the GM-CSF adjuvant program.

### Government Regulation

Regulation by governmental authorities in the United States and other countries is a significant factor in our ongoing research and development activities and in the manufacture of our products under development. Complying with these regulations involves a considerable amount of time and expense.

In the United States, drugs are subject to rigorous federal and state regulation. The Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act, as amended, or the FDC Act, and the regulations promulgated thereunder, and other federal and state statutes and regulations govern, among other things, the testing, manufacture, safety, efficacy, labeling, storage, record keeping, approval, advertising and promotion of medications and medical devices. Product development and approval within this regulatory framework is difficult to predict, takes a number of years and involves great expense.

The steps required before a pharmaceutical agent may be marketed in the United States include:

- pre-clinical laboratory tests, in vivo pre-clinical studies and formulation studies;
- the submission to the FDA of an IND application for human clinical testing which must become effective before human clinical trials can commence;
- adequate and well-controlled human clinical trials to establish the safety and efficacy of the product;
- the submission of a New Drug Application to the FDA; and
- FDA approval of the New Drug Application prior to any commercial sale or shipment of the product.

Each of these steps is described further below.

In addition to obtaining FDA approval for each product, each domestic manufacturing establishment must be registered with, and approved by, the FDA. Domestic manufacturing establishments are subject to biennial inspections by the FDA and must comply with the FDA's Good Manufacturing Practices for products, drugs and devices.

### Pre-Clinical Testing

Pre-clinical testing includes laboratory evaluation of chemistry and formulation, as well as cell culture and animal studies to assess the safety and potential efficacy of the product. Pre-clinical safety tests must be conducted by laboratories that comply with the FDA's Good Laboratory Practices, or GLP. The results of pre-clinical testing are submitted to the FDA as part of the IND application and are reviewed by the FDA prior to the commencement of human clinical trials. Unless the FDA objects to an IND, the IND becomes effective 30 days following its receipt by the FDA.

#### Clinical Trials

Clinical trials involve the administration of the HIV vaccines to volunteers or to patients under the supervision of a qualified, medically trained principal investigator. Clinical trials are conducted in accordance with the GCP under protocols that detail the objectives of the trial, the parameters to be used to monitor safety and the efficacy criteria to be evaluated. Each protocol must be submitted to the FDA as part of the IND. Further, each clinical trial must be conducted under the auspices of an independent institutional review board at the institution where the trial will be conducted. The institutional review board will consider, among other things, ethical factors, the safety of human subjects and the possible liability of the institution.

Clinical trials are typically conducted in three sequential phases, but the phases may overlap. In the Phase 1 clinical trial, the initial introduction of the product into healthy human subjects, the vaccine is tested for safety (including adverse side effects) and dosage tolerance. The Phase 2 clinical trial is the proof of principal stage and involves trials in a limited patient population to determine whether the product induces the desired effect (for vaccine this means immune responses) and to better determine optimal dosage. The continued identification of possible safety risks is also a focus. When there is evidence that the product may be effective and has an acceptable safety profile in Phase 2 clinical trials, Phase 3 clinical trials are undertaken to evaluate clinical efficacy and to test for safety within an expanded patient population. Phase 3 trials are completed using multiple clinical study sites which are geographically dispersed. The manufacturer or the FDA may suspend clinical trials at any time if either believes that the individuals participating in the trials are being exposed to unacceptable health risks.

#### New Drug Application and FDA Approval Process

The results and details of the pre-clinical studies and clinical trials are submitted to the FDA in the form of a New Drug Application. If the New Drug Application is approved, the manufacturer may market the product in the United States.

#### International Approval

Whether or not the FDA has approved the drug, approval of a product by regulatory authorities in foreign countries must be obtained prior to the commencement of commercial sales of the drug in such countries. The requirements governing the conduct of clinical trials and drug approvals vary widely from country to country, and the time required for approval may be longer or shorter than that required for FDA approval.

#### Other Regulations

In addition to FDA regulations, our business activities may also be regulated by the Occupational Safety and Health Act, the Environmental Protection Act, the Toxic Substances Control Act, the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act and other present and potential future federal, state or local regulations. Violations of regulatory requirements at any stage may result in various adverse consequences, including regulatory delay in approving or refusal to approve a product, enforcement actions, including withdrawal of approval, labeling restrictions, seizure of products, fines, injunctions and/or civil or criminal penalties. Any product that we develop must receive all relevant regulatory approvals or clearances before it may be marketed.

#### Competition

There currently is no FDA licensed and commercialized HIV/AIDS vaccine or competitive vaccine available in the world market.

There are several small and large biopharmaceutical companies pursuing HIV/AIDS vaccine research and development, including Novartis, Sanofi-Aventis and GlaxoSmithKline. Other HIV/AIDS vaccines are in varying stages of research, testing and clinical trials including those supported by the NIH Vaccine Research Center, the U.S. Military, IAVI, the European Vaccine Initiative, and the South African AIDS Vaccine Initiative. Following the reported failure of the vaccine developed by Merck & Co., Inc. in September 2007, Merck & Co., Inc.'s vaccine program and the NIH Vaccine Research Center vaccine program, both of which use Ad5 vectors, were placed on hold. Since then, the NIH Vaccine Research Center product has moved into an experimental Phase 2b clinical trial to learn more about immune responses and AIDS control. This clinical trial has been restricted to individuals who do not have high levels of antibodies to the Ad5 vector used in the vaccine (approximately 50% of U.S. citizens) and to men who are circumcised.

In October 2009, the results from a Phase 3 community-based clinical trial in Thailand using a recombinant canarypox (designated ALVAC and produced by Sanofi Pasteur) as a priming vaccine and a bivalent mixture of the gp120 subunit of Env from HIV clades B and C (produced by VaxGen, Inc. and currently licensed to Global Solutions for Infectious Diseases) as a protein booster vaccine were reported. In this clinical trial, protection against HIV infection at the rate of 31% was reported. This level of protection was significant in a “modified intent to treat” analysis in which the seven participants in the 16,500 person trial who had become infected by the day of the first inoculation were excluded. The results of this clinical trial are encouraging because they represent the first success of an AIDS vaccine in humans and demonstrate that a vaccine can provide protection against HIV infections.

To our knowledge, none of our competitors' products have been tested in large scale non-human primate trials that have included experimental infection through the rectal site and shown to induce levels of protection or duration of protection comparable to that achieved using experimental prototypes of GeoVax's vaccines. Furthermore, many of our competitors' vaccine development programs require vaccine compositions which are more complicated than ours. For these reasons, we believe that it may be possible for our vaccine to compete successfully in the marketplace if licensed.

Overall, the biopharmaceutical industry is competitive and subject to rapid and substantial technological change. Developments by others may render our proposed vaccination technologies noncompetitive or obsolete, or we may be unable to keep pace with technological developments or other market factors. Technological competition in the industry from pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies, universities, governmental entities and others diversifying into the field is intense and is expected to increase. Many of the pharmaceutical companies that compete with us have significantly greater research and development capabilities than we have, as well as substantially more marketing, manufacturing, and financial resources. In addition, acquisitions of, or investments in, small pharmaceutical or biotechnology companies by such large corporations could increase their research, financial, marketing, manufacturing and other resources. Competitor technologies may ultimately prove to be safer, more effective or less costly than any vaccine that we develop.

FDA and other regulatory approvals of our vaccines have not yet been obtained and we have not yet generated any revenues from product sales. Our future competitive position depends on our ability to obtain FDA and other regulatory approvals of our vaccines and to license or sell the vaccines to third parties on favorable terms.

#### Intellectual Property

We will be able to protect our proprietary rights from unauthorized use by third parties only to the extent that our proprietary rights are described by valid and enforceable patents or are effectively maintained as trade secrets. Accordingly, we are pursuing and will continue to pursue patent protection for our proprietary technologies developed through our collaborations with Emory University, the NIH, and the CDC, or developed by us alone. Patent applications have been filed with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and in specific international markets (countries). Patent applications include provisions to cover our DNA and MVA based HIV vaccines, their genetic inserts expressing multiple HIV protein components, composition, structure, claim of immunization against multiple subtypes of HIV, routes of administration, safety and other related factors. Patent claims filed for our vaccines include provisions for their therapeutic and prophylactic use against HIV and smallpox.

We are the exclusive, worldwide licensee of a number of patents and patent applications, which we refer to as the Emory Technology, owned, licensed or otherwise controlled by Emory University for HIV or smallpox vaccines pursuant to a License Agreement originally entered into on August 23, 2002 and restated on June 23, 2004, which we refer to as the Emory License. Through the Emory License we are also a non-exclusive licensee of four issued United States patents owned by the NIH related to the ability of our MVA vector vaccine to operate as a vehicle to deliver HIV virus antigens, and also to induce an immune response in humans. The four issued United States patents owned by the NIH expire in 2023. All of our obligations with respect to the NIH-owned MVA patents are covered by the Emory License. In addition to the issued United States patents owned by the NIH, and a recently issued patent owned by Emory University, there are six issued and five pending United States patent applications, 29 issued or pending patents in countries other than the United States. The Emory License expires on the expiration date of the last to expire of the patents licensed thereunder including those that are issued on patents currently pending. We will not know the final termination date of the Emory License until such patents are issued. The Company may terminate the Emory University License upon 90 days' written notice. The Emory License also contains standard provisions allowing Emory University to terminate upon breach of contract by the Company or upon the Company's bankruptcy.

The Emory License, among other contractual obligations, requires payments based on the following:

- Milestone Payments. An aggregate of \$3,450,000 is potentially due to Emory University in the future upon the achievement of clinical development and regulatory approval milestones as defined in the Emory License. To date, we have paid a nominal milestone fee upon entering Phase 2 clinical trials for our preventative HIV/AIDS vaccine.

- **Maintenance Fees.** The Company has achieved the specified milestones and met its obligations with regard to the related payments, and no maintenance fees are (or will be) owed to Emory University.
- **Royalties.** Upon commercialization of products covered by the Emory License, we will owe royalties to Emory University of between 5% and 7.5%, depending on annual sales volume, of net sales made directly by GeoVax. The Emory License also requires minimum annual royalty payments of \$3 million in the third year following product launch, increasing annually to \$12 million in the sixth year.
- **Sublicense Royalties.** In the event that we sublicense a covered product to a third party, we will owe royalties to Emory University based on all payments, cash or noncash, that we receive from our sublicensees. Those royalties will be 19% of all sublicensing consideration we receive prior to the first commercial sale of a related product. Commencing with the first commercial sale, the royalty owed to Emory University will be 27.5% of all sublicensing consideration we receive.
- **Patent Reimbursements.** During the term of the Emory License we are obligated to reimburse Emory University for ongoing third party costs in connection with the filing, prosecution and maintenance of patent applications subject to the Emory License. The expense associated with these ongoing patent cost reimbursements to Emory University amounted to \$193,674, \$85,673, and \$102,141 for the years ended December 31, 2010, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

We may only use the Emory Technology for therapeutic or prophylactic HIV or smallpox vaccines. Emory University also reserved the right to use the Emory Technology for research, educational and non-commercial clinical purposes. Due to the use of federal funds in the development of the Emory Technology, the U.S. Government has the irrevocable, royalty-free, paid-up right to practice and have practiced certain patents throughout the world, should it choose to exercise such rights.

We are not a party to any litigation, opposition, interference, or other potentially adverse proceeding with regard to our patent positions. However, if we become involved in litigation, interference proceedings, oppositions or other intellectual property proceedings, for example as a result of an alleged infringement or a third-party alleging an earlier date of invention, we may have to spend significant amounts of money and time and, in the event of an adverse ruling, we could be subject to liability for damages, invalidation of our intellectual property and injunctive relief that could prevent us from using technologies or developing products, any of which could have a significant adverse effect on our business, financial conditions or results of operations. In addition, any claims relating to the infringement of third-party proprietary rights, or earlier date of invention, even if not meritorious, could result in costly litigation, lengthy governmental proceedings, divert management's attention and resources and require us to enter royalty or license agreements which are not advantageous if available at all.

We are also the exclusive licensee of five patents from MFD, Inc., which we refer to as the MFD Patents, pursuant to a license agreement dated December 26, 2004 with MFD, Inc., which we refer to as the MFD license agreement, related to certain manufacturing processes used in the production of our vaccines. Pursuant to the MFD license agreement, we obtained a fully paid, worldwide, irrevocable, exclusive license in and to the MFD Patents to use, market, offer for sale, sell, lease and import any AIDS and smallpox vaccine made with GeoVax Technology, as such term is defined in the MFD license agreement, and non-exclusive rights for other products. The term of the MFD license agreement ends on the expiration date of the last to expire of the MFD Patents, one of which expires in 2017. The license granted also extends to any and all current or future customers of GeoVax the right to commercially practice the GeoVax Technology, as such term is defined in the MFD license agreement, or any portion thereof. The license also extends to any and all current or future GeoVax Users, as such term is defined in the MFD license agreement, the right to use any GeoVax Technology, as such term is defined in the MFD license agreement.

In addition to patent protection, we also attempt to protect our proprietary products, processes and other information by relying on trade secrets and non-disclosure agreements with our employees, consultants and certain other persons who have access to such products, processes and information. Under these agreements, all inventions conceived by employees are our exclusive property. Nevertheless, there can be no assurance that these agreements will afford significant protection against misappropriation or unauthorized disclosure of our trade secrets and confidential information.

We cannot be certain that any of the current pending patent applications we have licensed, or any new patent applications we may file or license, will ever be issued in the United States or any other country. Even if issued, there can be no assurance that those patents will be sufficiently broad to prevent others from using our products or processes. Furthermore, our patents, as well as those we have licensed or may license in the future, may be held invalid or unenforceable by a court, or third parties could obtain patents that we would need to either license or to design around, which we may be unable to do. Current and future competitors may have licensed or filed patent applications or received patents, and may acquire additional patents or proprietary rights relating to products or processes competitive to ours. In addition, any claims relating to the infringement of third-party proprietary rights, or earlier date of invention, even if not meritorious, could result in costly litigation, lengthy governmental proceedings, divert management's attention and resources and require us to enter royalty or license agreements which are not advantageous to us, if available at all.



## Manufacturing

We do not have the facilities or expertise to manufacture any of the clinical or commercial supplies of any of our products. To be successful, our products must be manufactured in commercial quantities in compliance with regulatory requirements and at an acceptable cost. To date, we have not commercialized any products, nor have we demonstrated that we can manufacture commercial quantities of our product candidates in accordance with regulatory requirements. If we cannot manufacture products in suitable quantities and in accordance with regulatory standards, either on our own or through contracts with third parties, it may delay clinical trials, regulatory approvals and marketing efforts for such products. Such delays could adversely affect our competitive position and our chances of achieving profitability. We cannot be sure that we can manufacture, either on our own or through contracts with third parties, such products at a cost or in quantities which are commercially viable.

We currently rely and intend to continue to rely on third-party contract manufacturers to produce vaccines needed for research and clinical trials. We have entered into arrangements with third party manufacturers for the supply of our DNA and MVA vaccines for use in our planned clinical trials. These suppliers operate under the FDA's Good Manufacturing Practices and similar regulations of the European Medicines Agency. We anticipate that these suppliers will be able to provide sufficient vaccine supplies to complete our currently planned clinical trials. Various contractors are generally available in the United States and Europe for manufacture of vaccines for clinical trial evaluation, however, it may be difficult to replace existing contractors for certain manufacturing and testing activities and costs for contracted services may increase substantially if we switch to other contractors.

## Research and Development

Our expenditures for research and development activities were approximately \$4,794,000, \$4,069,000, and \$3,741,000 during the years ended December 31, 2010, 2009 and 2008, respectively. As our vaccines continue to go through the process to obtain regulatory approval, we expect our research and development costs to continue to increase significantly as even larger human clinical trials proceed in the United States and foreign countries. We have not yet formulated any plans for marketing and sales of any vaccine candidate we may successfully develop. Compliance with environmental protection laws and regulations has not had a material effect on our capital expenditures, earnings or competitive position to date.

## Properties

We lease approximately 8,400 square feet of office and laboratory space located at 1900 Lake Park Drive, Suite 380, Smyrna, Georgia under a 62 month lease agreement which began November 1, 2009. We believe this space is adequate for our current needs.

## Legal Proceedings

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

## Employees

As of April 30, 2011, we had thirteen full-time and two part-time employees. None of our employees are covered by collective bargaining agreements and we believe that our employee relations are good.



## DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

## Directors and Executive Officers

The following table sets forth certain information with respect to our directors and executive officers.

Name	Age	Current Position
David A. Dodd(1)(2)	61	Chairman of the Board of Directors
Robert T. McNally, Ph.D.	63	President and Chief Executive Officer, Director
Mark J. Newman, Ph.D.	56	Vice President, Research and Development
Mark W. Reynolds, CPA	49	Chief Financial Officer and Corporate Secretary
Harriet L. Robinson, Ph.D.	73	Chief Scientific Officer, Director
Steven S. Antebi(1)(3)	67	Director
Donald G. Hildebrand	70	Director
Dean G. Kollintzas(1)(2)(3)	38	Director
John N. Spencer, Jr., CPA(2)(3)	70	Director

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- (1) Member of the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors.
- (2) Member of the Nominating and Governance Committee of the Board of Directors.
- (3) Member of the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors.

**David A. Dodd.** Mr. Dodd joined the Board of Directors in March 2010 and became Chairman of our Board of Directors on January 1, 2011. He is the Chief Executive Officer of RiversEdge BioVentures, an investment and advisory firm focused on the life sciences and pharmaceuticals industries, which he founded in 2009. He has more than 35 years of executive experience in the healthcare industry. From December 2007 to June 2009, Mr. Dodd was President, Chief Executive officer and Chairman of BioReliance Corporation, an organization that provided biological safety testing, viral clearance testing, genetic and mammalian technology testing and laboratory animal diagnostic services testing. From October 2006 to April 2009, he served as non-executive chairman of Stem Cell Sciences Plc. Before that, Mr. Dodd served as President, Chief Executive Officer and Director of Serologicals Corporation (Nasdaq: SERO) before it was sold to Millipore Corporation in July 2006 for \$1.5 billion. For five years prior to this, Mr. Dodd served as President and Chief Executive Officer of Solvay Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and Chairman of its subsidiary Unimed Pharmaceuticals, Inc. The Board of Directors concluded Mr. Dodd should serve on the Board of Directors due to his experience in the pharmaceutical industry, as well as his background in general management, business transformation, corporate partnering, and mergers and acquisitions.

**Robert T. McNally, Ph.D.** Dr. McNally joined the Board of Directors in December 2006 and was appointed as our President and Chief Executive Officer effective April 1, 2008. From 2000 to March 2008, Dr. McNally served as Chief Executive Officer of Cell Dynamics LLC, a cGMP laboratory services company. Previously, Dr. McNally was Senior Vice President of Clinical Research for CryoLife, Inc., a pioneering company in transplantable human tissues. Dr. McNally is a Fellow of the American Institute for Medical and Biological Engineering, serves on the advisory boards of the Petit Institute for Bioengineering and Dupree College of Management at the Georgia Institute of Technology, and is a former Chairman of Georgia Bio, a trade association. Dr. McNally graduated with a Ph.D. in biomedical engineering from the University of Pennsylvania. The Board of Directors has concluded that Dr. McNally should serve on its Board of Directors by virtue of his prior business and scientific experience, including his

experience as Chief Executive Officer of Cell Dynamics, LLC and as Senior Vice President of Clinical Research for CryoLife, Inc., and due to his intimate involvement with the Company's ongoing operations as its President and Chief Executive Officer.

Mark J. Newman, Ph.D. Dr. Newman joined the Company as Vice President, Research and Development in January 2010. Prior to joining GeoVax, Dr. Newman served in similar positions at PaxVax, Inc. (from March 2009 to December 2009), Pharmexa A/S (from January 2006 to December 2008), and Epimmune, Inc. (from February 1999 to December 2005). He has also served in senior scientific management roles at Vaxcel, Inc., Apollon, Inc. and Cambridge Biotech Corp. Dr. Newman's experience includes directing research, pre-clinical development and early stage clinical testing of protein, peptide, plasmid DNA and viral vectored vaccines and multiple vaccine adjuvants. He has co-authored more than 100 scientific papers, reviews and book chapters during his professional career, and is a named co-inventor on six issued U.S. patents and one European patent, all related to vaccine technologies. He has also been awarded multiple federal government and foundation grants and contracts to support research and early stage clinical development in the field of vaccines. Dr. Newman is a graduate of the Ohio State University (B.Sc. and M.Sc.) and received his Ph.D. in Immunology from the John Curtin School of Medical Research, the Australian National University. He completed four years of post-doctoral training at Cornell University, the National Cancer Institute, and the NIH and served as a full time member of the Louisiana State University faculty prior to joining the biotech industry.

Mark W. Reynolds, CPA Mr. Reynolds joined the Company on a part-time basis in October 2006 as Chief Financial Officer and Corporate Secretary, becoming a full-time employee in January 2010. From 2003 to 2006, before being named Chief Financial Officer of GeoVax Labs, Inc., Mr. Reynolds provided financial and accounting services to GeoVax, Inc. as an independent contractor. From 2004 to 2008, Mr. Reynolds served as Chief Financial Officer for Health Watch Systems, Inc. a privately-held company in the consumer healthcare industry. From 2004 to 2006, he served as Chief Financial Officer for Duska Therapeutics, Inc., a publicly-held biotechnology company. From 1988 to 2002, Mr. Reynolds was first Controller and later Chief Financial Officer and Corporate Secretary of CytRx Corporation, a publicly-held biopharmaceutical company. Mr. Reynolds began his career as an auditor with Arthur Andersen & Co. from 1985 to 1988. He is a certified public accountant and earned a masters of accountancy degree from the University of Georgia.

Harriet L. Robinson, Ph.D. Dr. Robinson joined the Company as Senior Vice President, Research and Development on a part-time basis in November 2007 and on a full-time basis in February 2008, and was elected to the Board of Directors in June 2008. She is a co-founder of GeoVax, Inc. and has served as chief of its scientific advisory board since formation of the company in 2001. From 1999 to February 2008, Dr. Robinson served as the Asa Griggs Candler Professor of Microbiology and Immunology at Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia, and from 1998 to February 2008 as Chief, Division of Microbiology and Immunology, Yerkes National Primate Center and Professor at the Emory University School of Medicine. She was Professor, Department of Microbiology & Immunology, at the University of Massachusetts Medical Center from 1988 to 1997 and Staff, then Senior, then Principal Scientist at the University of Massachusetts Worcester Foundation for Experimental Biology from 1977 to 1987. She was also a National Science Foundation Postdoctoral Fellow at the Virus Laboratory, University of California, Berkeley, from 1965 to 1967. Dr. Robinson received a bachelor of arts degree from Swarthmore College and M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. The Board of Directors has concluded that Dr. Robinson should serve on its Board of Directors by virtue of her extensive knowledge of the Company's technology as its scientific founder.

Steven S. Antebi. Mr. Antebi joined the Board of Directors in March 2010. During the last five years, he has served as President of Maple Capital Management, a fund focusing on debt and equity investments in North America (May 2007 to present), President and Chief Executive Officer of Galileo Partners LLC (2006 to present), and President of Blue and Gold Enterprises Inc. (2002-2009), funds that invest in registered direct investments, PIPE transactions, private placements, and open market equity transactions. Prior to that, he served for twenty years in various senior positions at Bear Stearns and Company, including institutional sales, trading the firm's capital in the over the counter market, syndicate distribution, and outside investment banking. He has served as a member of the Board of Governors of Cedars Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles, California, one of the largest hospital/research centers in the world, for over ten years. He serves as Chairman of the Board of Epinex Diagnostic Inc., a late stage development company, creating a rapid diagnostic system for testing glycosylated albumen in diabetics. Mr. Antebi is also the Chairman of the Board of the Royalty Review Council, a company doing royalty accounting for web casting and digital media, covering all five major record labels. The Board of Directors concluded that Mr. Antebi should serve on the Board of Directors because of his substantial experience in finance and his experience in healthcare and technology.

Donald G. Hildebrand. Mr. Hildebrand joined the Board of Directors as Chairman and became our President and Chief Executive Officer upon consummation of the merger with GeoVax, Inc. in September 2006. Effective April 1, 2008, upon the appointment of Dr. Robert T. McNally as our President and Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Hildebrand executed a consulting agreement with the Company and remained as Chairman of the Board until January 1, 2011. Mr. Hildebrand is a founder of GeoVax, Inc., our wholly-owned subsidiary, and served as its President and Chief Executive Officer and as a member of its Board of Directors from its inception in 2001 to April 2008. Prior to founding GeoVax, Mr. Hildebrand was North American President and Chief Executive Officer of Rhone Merieux, Inc., a subsidiary of Rhone Merieux, S.A., a world leader in the biopharmaceutical and animal health industries. In 1997, Mr. Hildebrand also became Global Vice President of Merial Limited, a position that he held until retiring in 2000. Mr. Hildebrand received his bachelor of science in microbiology from the University of Wisconsin. The Board

of Directors has concluded that Mr. Hildebrand should serve on the Board of Directors by virtue of his prior experience in the vaccine industry and his intimate knowledge of the Company's history and technology resulting from his prior service as its President and Chief Executive Officer.

Dean G. Kollintzas. Mr. Kollintzas joined the Board of Directors upon consummation of the merger with GeoVax, Inc. in September 2006. Since 2001 Mr. Kollintzas has been an intellectual property attorney specializing in biotechnology and pharmaceutical licensing, FDA regulation, and corporate/international transactions. Mr. Kollintzas received a microbiology degree from the University of Illinois and a J.D. from Franklin Pierce Law Center. He is a member of the Wisconsin and American Bar Associations. Since 2004, Mr. Kollintzas has owned and operated a restaurant in Joliet, Illinois called The Metro Grill. The Board of Directors has concluded that Mr. Kollintzas should serve on the Board of Directors by virtue of his experience with intellectual property matters, biotechnology and pharmaceutical licensing, and FDA regulation.

John N. (Jack) Spencer, Jr., CPA Mr. Spencer joined the Board of Directors upon consummation of the merger with GeoVax, Inc. in September 2006. Mr. Spencer is a certified public accountant and was a partner of Ernst & Young where he spent more than 38 years until he retired in 2000. Mr. Spencer also serves as a director SurgiVigon, Inc., a medical device company, where he also chairs the audit committee, and served as a director of Firstwave Technologies (Nasdaq:FSTW) from November 2003 until April of 2009. He also serves as a consultant to various companies primarily relating to financial accounting and reporting matters. Mr. Spencer received a bachelor of science degree from Syracuse University, and he earned an M.B.A. degree from Babson College. He also attended the Harvard Business School advanced management program. The Board of Directors has concluded that Mr. Spencer should serve on the Board of Directors by virtue of his experience at Ernst & Young where he was the partner in charge of that firm's life sciences practice for the southeastern United States, and his clients included a large number of publicly-owned and privately-held medical technology companies, together with his continuing expertise as a director of, and a consultant to, other publicly owned and privately held companies.

#### Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation

At various times during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2010, Mr. Antebi, Mr. Dodd, Mr. Kollintzas, Mr. Spencer and Mr. Tsolinas (a former director) served on our Compensation Committee. None of these individuals were officers or employees of the Company or any of its subsidiaries during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2010, nor at any time prior thereto. Mr. Dodd became Chairman of the Board of Directors on January 1, 2011. During the fiscal year ended December 31, 2010, none of the members of the Compensation Committee had any relationship with the Company requiring disclosure under Item 404 of Regulation S-K, and none of the Company's executive officers served on the compensation committee (or equivalent), or the Board of Directors, of another entity whose executive officer(s) served on our Board of Directors or Compensation Committee.

### COMPENSATION DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

In the paragraphs that follow, the Compensation Committee provides an overview and analysis of our compensation program and policies, the material compensation decisions made under those programs and policies with respect to our executive officers, and the material factors considered in making those decisions.

The Compensation Committee reviews, analyzes and approves the compensation of our senior executive officers, including the "Named Executive Officers" listed in the tables that follow this Compensation Discussion and Analysis. The Named Executive Officers for 2010 include our chief executive officer, our chief financial officer, and the two other individuals who served as executive officers during 2010 and whose total compensation for 2010 exceeded \$100,000, calculated in accordance with the rules and regulations of the SEC. Our Named Executive Officers for 2010 were:

- Robert T. McNally, President and Chief Executive Officer
- Mark W. Reynolds, Chief Financial Officer
- Harriet L. Robinson, Chief Scientific Officer
- Mark J. Newman, VP, Research and Development

The tables that follow this Compensation Discussion and Analysis contain specific data about the compensation earned or paid in 2010 to the Named Executive Officers. The discussion below is intended to help you understand the detailed information provided in the compensation tables and put that information into the context of our overall

compensation program.

#### Objectives of Our Compensation Program

In general, we operate in a marketplace where competition for talented executives is intense and significant. The biopharmaceutical industry is highly competitive and includes companies with far greater resources than ours. We are engaged in the long-term development of drug candidates without the benefit of significant current revenues, and therefore our operations involve a high degree of risk and uncertainty. This level of risk and uncertainty may make it difficult to attract and retain talented executives. Nevertheless, continuity of personnel across multi-disciplinary functions is critical to the success of our business. Furthermore, since we have relatively few employees, each must perform a broad scope of functions, and there is very little redundancy in skills.



The objectives of our compensation program for our executive officers and other employees are to provide competitive cash compensation, health, and retirement benefits, as well as long-term equity incentives that offer significant reward potential for the risks assumed and for each individual's contribution to our long-term performance. Although the Compensation Committee seeks to pay salaries and bonuses sufficient to hire and retain talented individuals, the Compensation Committee also believes, based on its subjective perception of their skills, that many of its employees could earn somewhat higher cash compensation at other companies, and seeks to address this concern by making stock option grants at a somewhat higher level than it would if the salaries and bonuses were higher. Individual performance is measured subjectively taking into account Company and individual progress toward overall corporate goals, as well as each individual's skills, experience, and responsibilities, together with corporate and individual progress in the areas of scientific innovation, regulatory compliance, business development, employee development, and other values designed to build a culture of high performance. No particular weight is assigned to these measures, and the Compensation Committee is of the view that much of the Company's progress results from team effort. These policies and practices are based on the principle that total compensation should serve to attract and retain those executives and employees critical to our overall success and are designed to reward executives for their contributions toward business performance that enhances stockholder value.

#### Role of the Compensation Committee

Our Compensation Committee assists our Board of Directors in discharging its responsibilities relating to the compensation of our executive officers. As such, the Compensation Committee has responsibility over certain matters relating to the fair and competitive compensation of our executives, employees and directors (only non-employee directors are compensated as directors) as well as matters relating to equity-based benefit plans. Each of the members of our Compensation Committee is independent in accordance with the criteria of independence set forth in Rule 5605(a)(2) of the Nasdaq Listing Rules and Rule 803(A)(2) of the NYSE Amex Listing Requirements. We believe that their independence from management allows the members of the Compensation Committee to provide unbiased consideration of various elements that could be included in an executive compensation program and apply independent judgment about which elements best achieve our compensation objectives.

In March 2010, the Compensation Committee and the Board of Directors approved a new charter for the Compensation Committee. Pursuant to the new charter, the Compensation Committee is responsible for, among other things:

- reviewing the Company's overall compensation philosophy and strategy;
- evaluating and determining the compensation of the Chief Executive Officer;
- evaluating and setting, in conjunction with the Chief Executive Officer, the compensation of other officers;
- reviewing and approving the annual Compensation Discussion and Analysis;
- evaluating and approving the components and amounts of compensation of the Company's employees;
- evaluating, considering and approving, in its discretion, the Company's equity-based compensation plans, as well as grants and awards made under any such plans to persons other than the Chief Executive Officer and submitting them to the Board of Directors for its consideration and approval;
- approving, with sole and exclusive authority, grants and awards made to the Company's Chief Executive Officer under the Company's equity-based compensation plans;

- evaluating, considering and approving, in its discretion, compensation for non-employee members of the Board of Directors; and
- managing and controlling the operation and administration of the Company's stock option plans.

Pursuant to its charter as in effect prior to March 2010, the Compensation Committee was charged specifically with reviewing and determining annually the compensation of our Chief Executive Officer, approving special bonus payments and perquisites paid to and other special compensation or benefit arrangements with executive officers, and approving (subject to approval of the Board of Directors) recommendations by the Chief Executive Officer with respect to grants under our stock option plan and any other equity-based plan we might adopt in the future. Subject to approval of the Board of Directors, the Compensation Committee also set salaries and determines bonuses, sometimes referred to as cash incentive awards, for the Company's employees. The Compensation Committee gave due consideration to the Chief Executive Officer's recommendations and could change them prior to recommending them to the Board of Directors. The Compensation Committee did not exercise the authority granted to it by its charter to approve a pool of options and other discretionary awards to be used by the Chief Executive Officer.

## Elements of Compensation

To achieve the objectives described above, the three primary compensation elements used for executive officers are base salary, cash bonus, and stock option awards. We believe that these three elements are the most effective combination in motivating and retaining our executive officers at this stage in our development. The Compensation Committee has not utilized other companies for benchmarking purposes because it believes that those businesses which would be most comparable to the Company are either privately held or divisions of very large medical products companies.

### Base Salary

Our philosophy is to maintain executive base salary at a competitive level sufficient to recruit and retain individuals possessing the skills and capabilities necessary to achieve our goals over the long term. Base salaries provide our executive officers with a degree of financial certainty and stability and also reward individual achievements and contributions.

### Cash Bonus

Annual cash incentive awards motivate our executive officers to contribute toward the achievement of corporate goals and objectives. Generally, every employee is eligible to earn an annual cash incentive award, promoting alignment and pay-for-performance at all levels of the organization. The Company does not have a formalized cash incentive award plan, and awards are based on the subjective recommendation of the President and Chief Executive Officer (except as to the Chief Executive Officer's cash bonus) and on the Compensation Committee's subjective judgment.

### Stock Option Awards

Stock option awards are a fundamental element in our executive compensation program because they emphasize our long-term performance, as measured by creation of stockholder value, and align the interests of our stockholders and management. In addition, the Compensation Committee believes they are crucial to a competitive compensation program for executive officers, and they act as a powerful retention tool. In our current pre-commercial state, we view the Company as still facing a significant level of risk, but with the potential for a high reward over a period of time, and therefore we believe that stock incentive awards are appropriate for executive officers. These awards are provided through initial grants at or near the date of hire and through subsequent, periodic grants. The initial grant is typically larger than subsequent, periodic grants and is intended to motivate the officer to make the kind of decisions and implement strategies and programs that will contribute to an increase in our stock price over time. Subsequent periodic stock option awards may be granted to reflect each executive officer's ongoing contributions to the Company, to create an incentive to remain at the Company, and to provide a long-term incentive to achieve or exceed our corporate goals and objectives. The Company does not have a formula for determining stock option awards. Awards are generally based on the subjective recommendation of the President and Chief Executive Officer and on the Compensation Committee's subjective judgment. The Compensation Committee does not typically give much weight to the overall levels of stock and stock options owned by the Company's executive officers and directors.

### Accounting and Tax Considerations

The accounting and tax treatment of compensation generally has not been a factor in determining the amounts of compensation for the Company's executive officers.

Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, limits tax deductions of public companies on compensation paid to certain executive officers in excess of \$1 million. The Compensation Committee considers the

impact of Section 162(m) on its compensation decisions, but has no formal policy to structure executive compensation so that it complies with the requirements of Section 162(m) due to the overall level of compensation paid. In general, stock options granted under the Company's 2006 Equity Incentive Plan, or the Plan, are intended to qualify under and comply with the "performance based compensation" exemption provided under Section 162(m), thus excluding from the Section 162(m) compensation limitation any income recognized by executives at the time of exercise of such stock options.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States require us to recognize an expense for the fair value of equity-based compensation awards. The Compensation Committee is informed of the accounting implications of significant compensation decisions, especially in connection with decisions that relate to our equity incentive award plans, but has no formal policy to structure executive compensation to align accounting expenses of our equity awards with our overall executive compensation philosophy and objectives. The Compensation Committee has considered the impact of cash payments to its employees as compared to the costs it recognizes on an accrual basis when stock options are granted.

### Setting Executive Compensation

Historically, we have not used quantitative methods or mathematical formulae in setting any element of executive compensation. We use discretion, guided in large part by the concept of pay-for-performance, and we consider all elements of an executive's compensation package when setting each portion of compensation. There is no pre-established policy or target for the allocation between cash and equity incentive compensation, although the Compensation Committee believes its stock option grants are at a level that permits it to retain talented personnel at somewhat lower levels of cash compensation than these individuals might otherwise receive. Year-to-year changes in base salary have usually been relatively modest, and executive officer base salaries are within a relatively narrow range. The Compensation Committee considers relative levels of compensation among its various executive officers. Our annual cash incentive awards have generally been modest. When made at all, the individual cash incentive awards have ranged from \$10,000 to \$15,000 over the last three years. Bonuses have usually been paid to all Named Executive Officers when they were paid at all. We may choose other compensation approaches if circumstances warrant.

When determining compensation for a new executive officer, and when annually reviewing the compensation for our executive officers, factors taken into consideration are the individual's skills, knowledge and experience, the individual's past and potential future impact on our short-term and long-term success, the individual's recent compensation levels in other positions, and any present and expected compensation information obtained from other prospective candidates interviewed during the recruitment process. In setting our executive compensation for 2010, no specific benchmarking activities were undertaken. We will generally make a grant of stock options when an executive officer joins us. Options are granted at no less than 100% of the fair market value on the date of grant. In determining the size of an initial stock option grant to an executive officer, we primarily consider company performance and the individual's scope of responsibility. For periodic grants, we also consider the Company's and the individual's continuing performance and the recommendations of the Chief Executive Officer, all on a subjective basis. Since the stock option grant is meant to be a retention tool, we also consider the importance to stockholders of that person's continued service. Stock option grants to executives generally vest over a period of three years.

The Compensation Committee annually reviews and determines the compensation for our Chief Executive Officer. Each year, recommendations for the compensation for other executive officers (other than himself) are prepared by the Chief Executive Officer and are reviewed with the Compensation Committee and modified by it where appropriate.

In order to assess the performance of a full calendar year, annual cash incentive and stock option awards are generally determined in December of each year. We do not currently have any program, plan or practice in place to time stock option grants to our executives or other employees in coordination with the release of material non-public information.

As part of our executive compensation review conducted annually in December, we review a tally sheet prepared by the President and Chief Executive Officer setting forth all components of total compensation to our Named Executive Officers and all other employees. The tally sheet includes current and proposed base salary, proposed annual cash incentive awards and historical, as well as proposed, stock option awards. Post-termination pay under employment agreements to which our executive officers are parties is not considered to be material at the present time. These tools

are employed by the Compensation Committee both in reviewing individual compensation awards and as a useful check on total compensation. These tools also show the effect of compensation decisions made over time on the total annual compensation to a Named Executive Officer and allow the Compensation Committee to review historical amounts for comparative purposes.

We considered whether our compensation policies and practices create risks that are reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on GeoVax, and concluded that they do not.

#### 2010 Executive Compensation

The amount of compensation earned by each of the Named Executive Officers during fiscal 2010, 2009 and 2008 is shown in the Summary Compensation Table below.

In December 2009, the Compensation Committee established the salaries of the named Executive Officers for 2010. The Compensation Committee used its subjective judgment and considered the overall progress of the Company, and the skills, experience, responsibilities, achievements and historical compensation of each of the Named Executive Officers, in determining the salary levels for 2010. In its deliberations on executive compensation, the Compensation Committee considered the fact that, during the preceding year (at its meeting in December 2008) the Compensation Committee had accepted the recommendation from Dr. McNally that none of the Named Executive Officers receive salary increases for 2009, except as related to Mr. Reynolds with respect to a proportionate increase relative to his time commitment to the business of the Company. The Compensation Committee felt that, under the circumstances, it should increase the salaries of the Company's executive officers, and decided to increase the salaries of the Company's executive officers for 2010. The Compensation Committee reviewed the salary increases it had approved for the other employees of the Company and determined the average of the increases was approximately 6.3%. The Compensation Committee then increased executive officer salaries by 6.3%, with the exception of Dr. McNally, who received a 10% increase in salary, and also with the exception of Dr. Newman, whose initial employment did not begin until January 2010. The Compensation Committee provided a higher salary to Dr. McNally because it felt that the Chief Executive Officer should be the most highly compensated executive.

In December 2010, the Compensation Committee considered 2010 stock option grants and cash incentive awards as well as base salaries for 2011. The Compensation Committee used its subjective judgment and considered the same factors it considered in December 2009: the overall progress of the Company, and the skills, experience, responsibilities, achievements and historical compensation of each of the Named Executive Officers, in determining the award of cash bonuses and stock option grants for 2010 and salary levels for 2011. In its deliberations, the Compensation Committee also gave significant consideration to the status of the Company's fund-raising efforts and Dr. McNally's recommendation that no cash bonuses or salary increases be paid to the Named Executive Officers but reconsider after completion of the Company's next financing round. The Compensation Committee accepted Dr. McNally's recommendation, partially in the interest of preserving the Company's overall cash flow to the extent reasonably possible.

**Robert T. McNally.** Dr. McNally serves as our President and Chief Executive Officer pursuant to an employment agreement effective April 1, 2008. In December 2010, the Compensation Committee awarded Dr. McNally a stock option grant for 10,000 shares at an exercise price of \$1.98 per share. It did not award a cash bonus. The Compensation Committee did not increase Dr. McNally's annual base salary of \$275,000.

**Mark W. Reynolds.** Mr. Reynolds serves as our Chief Financial Officer pursuant to an employment agreement amended and restated effective January 1, 2010. In December 2010, the Compensation Committee awarded Mr. Reynolds a stock option grant for 10,000 shares at an exercise price of \$1.98 per share. It did not award a cash bonus. The Compensation Committee did not increase Mr. Reynolds' annual base salary of \$212,600.

**Harriet L. Robinson.** Dr. Robinson serves as our Chief Scientific Officer pursuant to an employment agreement executed in November 19, 2007. In December 2009, the Compensation Committee awarded Dr. Robinson a stock option grant for 10,000 shares at an exercise price of \$1.98 per share. It did not award a cash bonus. The Compensation Committee did not increase Dr. Robinson's annual base salary of \$265,750.

**Mark J. Newman.** Dr. Newman serves as our Vice President, Research and Development pursuant to an employment agreement dated January 4, 2010. In December 2010, the Compensation Committee awarded Dr. Newman a stock option grant for 10,000 shares at an exercise price of \$1.98 per share. It did not award a cash bonus. The Compensation Committee did not increase Dr. Newman's annual base salary of \$225,000.

Benefits Provided to Executive Officers

We provide our executive officers with certain benefits that the Compensation Committee believes are reasonable and consistent with our overall compensation program. The Compensation Committee will periodically review the levels of benefits provided to our executive officers.

Dr. McNally, Dr. Newman, Mr. Reynolds and Dr. Robinson are eligible for health insurance and 401(k) benefits at the same level and subject to the same conditions as provided to all other employees. The amounts shown in the Summary Compensation Table under the heading "Other Compensation" represent the value of the Company's matching contributions to the 401(k) accounts of these executive officers. Executive officers did not receive any other perquisites or other personal benefits or property from the Company or any other source.

#### Employment Agreements

Robert T. McNally. On March 20, 2008, GeoVax entered into an employment agreement with Robert T. McNally, Ph.D. to become our President and Chief Executive Officer effective April 1, 2008. The employment agreement has no specified term. The employment agreement provided for an initial annual salary of \$200,000 to Dr. McNally, subject to periodic increases as determined by the Compensation Committee. The Board of Directors may also approve the payment of a discretionary bonus annually. Dr. McNally is eligible for grants of awards from the Plan and is entitled to participate in any and all benefits in effect from time-to-time for employees generally. We may terminate the employment agreement, with or without cause. If we terminate the employment agreement without cause, we will be required to provide Dr. McNally at least 30 days prior notice of the termination and one week of severance pay for each full year of service as President and Chief Executive Officer (\$15,865 if terminated in fiscal 2011, paid as salary continuance). Dr. McNally may terminate the employment agreement at any time by giving us 60 days notice. In that event, he would not receive severance.



Mark W. Reynolds. On February 1, 2008, GeoVax entered into an amended and restated employment agreement with Mark W. Reynolds, our Chief Financial Officer. The employment agreement has no specified term. The employment agreement provided for an initial annual salary of \$115,000 to Mr. Reynolds, which was increased to \$150,000 by the Compensation Committee and the Board of Directors effective January 1, 2009, commensurate with an increased time commitment provided by Mr. Reynolds (50% to 75%). The employment agreement was again amended and restated, effective January 1, 2010, to reflect a further adjustment for Mr. Reynolds time commitment (from 75% to 100%) together with a base salary increase to \$212,600. The Board of Directors may also approve the payment of a discretionary bonus annually. Mr. Reynolds is eligible for grants of awards from the Plan and is entitled to participate in any and all benefits in effect from time-to-time for employees generally. We may terminate the employment agreement, with or without cause. If we terminate the employment agreement without cause, we will be required to provide Mr. Reynolds at least 30 days prior notice of the termination and one week of severance pay for each full year of service as Chief Financial Officer (\$20,442 if terminated in fiscal 2011, paid as salary continuance). Mr. Reynolds may terminate the employment agreement at any time by giving us 60 days notice. In that event, he would not receive severance.

Harriet L. Robinson. On November 19, 2007, GeoVax entered into an employment agreement with Harriet L. Robinson, our Chief Scientific Officer. The employment agreement has no specified term. The employment agreement provided for an initial base salary of \$250,000 to Dr. Robinson, subject to periodic increases as determined by the Compensation Committee. Dr. Robinson initially worked part-time for the Company, and became a full-time employee in February 2008. The Board of Directors may also approve the payment of a discretionary bonus annually. Dr. Robinson is eligible for grants of awards from the Plan and is entitled to participate in any and all benefits in effect from time-to-time for employees generally. We may terminate the employment agreement, with or without cause. If we terminate the employment agreement without cause, we will be required to provide Dr. Robinson at least 30 days prior notice of the termination and one week of severance pay for each full year of service (\$20,443 if terminated in fiscal 2011, paid as salary continuance). Dr. Robinson may terminate the employment agreement at any time by giving us 60 days notice. In that event, she would not receive severance.

Mark Newman. On January 4, 2010, GeoVax entered into an employment agreement with Mark Newman, Ph.D. to become our Vice President, Research and Development. The employment agreement has no specified term. The employment agreement provides for an annual salary of \$225,000 to Dr. Newman, subject to periodic increases as determined by the Compensation Committee. The Board of Directors may also approve the payment of a discretionary bonus annually. On January 4, 2010, in connection with his initial employment, Dr. Newman received a grant of 24,000 stock options at an exercise price of \$8.00 per share. The options have a life of ten years and will vest over a three year period from the date of grant. Mr. Newman is also entitled to participate in any and all benefits in effect from time-to-time for employees generally. We may terminate the employment agreement, with or without cause. If we terminate the employment agreement without cause, we will be required to provide Dr. Newman at least 30 days prior notice of the termination and one week of severance pay for each full year of service (\$4,327 if terminated in fiscal 2011, paid as salary continuance). Dr. Newman may terminate the employment agreement at any time by giving us 60 days notice. In that event, he would not receive severance.

#### Indemnification Agreements

In October 2006 GeoVax Labs, Inc. and our subsidiary, GeoVax, Inc. entered into indemnification agreements with Messrs. McNally, Reynolds, Hildebrand, Kollintzas and Spencer. Pursuant to these agreements, we have agreed to indemnify them to the full extent permitted by Illinois and Georgia law against certain liabilities incurred by these individuals in connection with specified proceedings if they acted in a manner they believed in good faith to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Company and, with respect to any criminal proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe that such conduct was unlawful. The agreements also provide for the advancement of expenses to these individuals subject to specified conditions.



SUMMARY COMPENSATION TABLE

The following table sets forth information concerning the compensation earned during the fiscal years ended December 31, 2010, 2009, and 2008 by our Named Executive Officers.

Name and Principal Position	Year	Salary (\$)	Bonus (\$)	Option Awards \$(1)	All Other Compensation \$(2)	Total (\$)
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