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FORM 10-Q

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

For the quarterly period ended June 30, 2013

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

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

**RETROPHIN, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

000-53293  
(Commission File No.)

27-4842691  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

777 Third Avenue, 22nd Floor, New York, NY, 10017  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(646) 837-5863  
(Issuer Telephone number)

(Former Name or Former Address if Changed Since Last Report)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company.

Large accelerated filer  Accelerated filer   
Non-accelerated filer  Smaller reporting company

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes  No

The number of shares of outstanding common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share, of the Registrant as of September 13, 2013 was 18,150,837.

**RETROPHIN, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY**  
**Form 10Q**  
**June 30, 2013**

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## FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

This report contains forward-looking statements regarding our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects. Words such as “expects,” “anticipates,” “intends,” “plans,” “believes,” “seeks,” “estimates” and similar expressions or variations of such words are intended to identify forward-looking statements, but are not deemed to represent an all-inclusive means of identifying forward-looking statements as denoted in this report. Additionally, statements concerning future matters are forward-looking statements.

Although forward-looking statements in this report reflect the good faith judgment of our management, such statements can only be based on facts and factors currently known by us. Consequently, forward-looking statements are inherently subject to risks and uncertainties and actual results and outcomes may differ materially from the results and outcomes discussed in or anticipated by the forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause or contribute to such differences in results and outcomes include, without limitation, those specifically addressed under the heading “Risks Factors” in our annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2012 and under the heading “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations” in our annual report on Form 10-K/A for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2012, in “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations” in this Form 10-Q and information contained in other reports that we file with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”). You are urged not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date of this report.

We file reports with the SEC. The SEC maintains a website ([www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov)) that contains reports, proxy and information statements, and other information regarding issuers that file electronically with the SEC, including us. You can also read and copy any materials we file with the SEC at the SEC’s Public Reference Room at 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549. You can obtain additional information about the operation of the Public Reference Room by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330.

We undertake no obligation to revise or update any forward-looking statements in order to reflect any event or circumstance that may arise after the date of this report, except as required by law. Readers are urged to carefully review and consider the various disclosures made throughout the entirety of this quarterly report, which are designed to advise interested parties of the risks and factors that may affect our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

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PART I-FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements

RETROPHIN, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY  
(A DEVELOPMENT STAGE COMPANY)  
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	June 30, 2013 (unaudited)	December 31, 2012
<b>Assets</b>		
Current assets:		
Cash	\$ 286,514	\$ 11,388
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	117,895	21,830
Total current assets	404,409	33,218
Property and equipment, net	28,642	23,790
Patents pending	18,093	18,093
Due from affiliate	-	137,547
Security deposit	137,547	-
Technology license, net	2,083,851	2,178,617
Total assets	\$ 2,672,542	\$ 2,391,265
<b>Liabilities and Stockholders' Deficit</b>		
Current liabilities:		
Technology license liability	\$ -	\$ 1,300,000
Accounts payable	1,425,707	1,023,320
Accrued expenses	741,610	2,467,796
Registration payment obligation	360,000	-
Settlement payable	1,691,400	-
Note payable - related party	-	884,764
Investors' deposits	-	100,000
Due to related parties	10,000	23,200
Derivative financial instruments, at estimated fair value - warrants	6,901,223	-
Total current liabilities	11,129,940	5,799,080
Stockholders' Deficit:		
Preferred stock Series A \$0.001 par value; 20,000,000 shares authorized; 0 issued and outstanding	-	-
Common stock \$0.0001 par value; 100,000,000 shares authorized; 12,321,973 and 8,952,905 issued and outstanding, respectively	1,232	895
Additional paid-in capital	34,944,917	30,203,402
Deficit accumulated during the development stage	(43,403,547)	(33,612,112)
Total stockholders' deficit	(8,457,398)	(3,407,815)
Total liabilities and stockholders' deficit	\$ 2,672,542	\$ 2,391,265

**RETROPHIN, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY**  
**(A DEVELOPMENT STAGE COMPANY)**  
**UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS**

	For the three months ended June		For the six months ended June 30,		For the period
	30,				from March 11,
	2013	2012	2013	2012	2011
					(inception)
					through June
					30, 2013
<b>Operating expenses:</b>					
Compensation and related costs - inclusive of share base compensation \$57,516, \$1,391,863, \$78,349, \$2,943,767 and \$17,816,166	\$ 492,131	\$ 1,532,943	\$ 1,537,418	\$ 3,302,774	\$ 21,898,171
Professional fees - inclusive of share based compensation \$70,872, \$2,647,001, \$209,243, \$3,650,125 and \$6,860,948	1,701,264	3,062,461	2,393,841	4,770,890	12,497,693
Selling, general and administrative	2,906,507	144,288	3,319,127	224,482	4,675,235
Technology license contingent fee	-	-	100,000	-	1,800,000
<b>Total operating expenses</b>	<b>5,099,902</b>	<b>4,739,692</b>	<b>7,350,386</b>	<b>8,298,146</b>	<b>40,871,099</b>
<b>Operating loss</b>	<b>(5,099,902)</b>	<b>(4,739,692)</b>	<b>\$ (7,350,386)</b>	<b>(8,298,146)</b>	<b>(40,871,099)</b>
<b>Other income (expense):</b>					
Interest income	5	5,984	5	9,732	21,910
Interest expense	-	(26,471)	(41,563)	(43,798)	(147,480)
Change in fair value of derivative financial instruments - warrants	56,041	-	(2,395,618)	-	(2,395,618)
Loss on transactions denominated in foreign currencies	(4,657)	-	(3,873)	-	(11,260)
<b>Total other income (expense), net</b>	<b>51,389</b>	<b>(20,487)</b>	<b>(2,441,049)</b>	<b>(34,066)</b>	<b>(2,532,448)</b>
<b>Net loss</b>	<b>\$ (5,048,513)</b>	<b>\$ (4,760,179)</b>	<b>\$ (9,791,435)</b>	<b>\$ (8,332,212)</b>	<b>\$ (43,403,547)</b>
<b>Net loss per common share, basic and diluted</b>	<b>\$ (0.41)</b>	<b>\$ (1.55)</b>	<b>\$ (0.85)</b>	<b>\$ (3.00)</b>	
<b>Weighted average common shares outstanding, basic and diluted</b>	<b>12,253,599</b>	<b>3,064,764</b>	<b>11,492,475</b>	<b>2,781,992</b>	

**RETROPHIN, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY**  
**(A DEVELOPMENT STAGE COMPANY)**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDERS' DEFICIT**  
**FOR THE PERIOD FROM MARCH 11, 2011 (INCEPTION) THROUGH JUNE 30, 2013**

	Common stock		Additional paid in capital	Receivables due from stockholder	Accumulated deficit	Total Stockholders' deficit
	Shares	Amount				
Balance - March 11, 2011 (inception)	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Issuance of common shares	1,608,300	161	24,839	(25,000)	-	-
Issuance of common shares to founders in connection with the initial capital contribution	50,000	5	95	-	-	100
Incentive shares granted- employees	1,758,300	176	(176)	-	-	-
Incentive shares granted- non employees	381,000	38	(38)	-	-	-
Incentive shares forfeited - employees	(45,835)	(5)	5	-	-	-
Share based compensation - employees	-	-	1,724,967	-	-	1,724,967
Share based compensation - non employees	-	-	254,332	-	-	254,332
Issuance of shares in connection with March 2011 private placement, net of fees of \$66,061	253,750	25	658,914	-	-	658,939
Issuance of Series A preferred in connection with March 2011 private placement, net of fees of \$1,367, recapitalization to common stock	36,750	4	103,629	-	-	103,633
Loan made to stockholder	-	-	-	(10,000)	-	(10,000)
Net loss	-	-	-	-	(3,268,256)	(3,268,256)
Balance - December 31, 2011	4,042,265	404	2,766,567	(35,000)	(3,268,256)	(536,285)
Prior Issuance of Series A preferred in connection with January 2012 private placement, net of fees of \$61,677, exchanged to common stock	326,963	33	1,806,644	-	-	1,806,677
Prior Issuance of Series A preferred in connection with May 2012 private placement, net of fees of \$12,275, exchanged to common stock	470,764	47	1,668,979	-	-	1,669,026
Shares transferred to consultants by founder for services	-	-	4,400,000	-	-	4,400,000
Shares transferred to employees by founders for services	-	-	1,375,000	-	-	1,375,000
Shares issued in accordance with license agreement	620,000	62	1,549,938	-	-	1,550,000
Shares outstanding at time of reverse merger date December 12, 2012	2,585,583	259	1,142	-	-	1,401
Incentive shares granted- employees	866,180	86	(86)	-	-	-
Incentive shares granted - non employees	87,503	9	(9)	-	-	-
Incentive shares forfeited - employees	(46,353)	(5)	5	-	-	-
Share based compensation - employees	-	-	14,637,850	-	-	14,637,850
Share based compensation - non employees	-	-	1,997,372	-	-	1,997,372
Receivable due from stockholder charged to compensation	-	-	-	407,900	-	407,900
Loan made to stockholder	-	-	-	(372,900)	-	(372,900)
Net loss	-	-	-	-	(30,343,856)	(30,343,856)
Balance - December 31, 2012	8,952,905	895	30,203,402	-	(33,612,112)	(3,407,815)
Incentive shares granted - non employees (unaudited)	12,500	1	(1)	-	-	-
Incentive shares granted - employees (unaudited)	120,000	12	(12)	-	-	-
Share based compensation - employees (unaudited)	-	-	78,349	-	-	78,349
Share based compensation - non employees (unaudited)	-	-	209,243	-	-	209,243
Incentive shares forfeited - employees (unaudited)	(20,833)	(2)	2	-	-	-
Incentive shares forfeited - non employees (unaudited)	(72,082)	(7)	7	-	-	-
Issuance of common stock in connection with January 2013 private placement at \$3.00 per share, net of fees of \$0 (unaudited)	272,221	27	816,637	-	-	816,664
Issuance of common stock in connection with February 2013 private placement at \$3.00 per share, net of fees of \$678,986 and registration payment obligation of \$360,000 (unaudited)	3,045,929	305	3,592,891	-	-	3,593,196
Shares issued on behalf of related party	6,000	1	44,399	-	-	44,400
Adjustment to existing shareholder (unaudited)	5,333	-	-	-	-	-
Net loss (unaudited)	-	-	-	-	(9,791,435)	(9,791,435)
Balance - June 30, 2013 (unaudited)	12,321,973	\$ 1,232	\$ 34,944,917	\$ -	\$ (43,403,547)	\$ (8,457,398)

**RETROPHIN, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY**  
**(A DEVELOPMENT STAGE COMPANY)**  
**UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**

	For the six months ended June 30,		For the period from March 11, 2011 (inception) through June 30, 2013
	2013	2012	
<b>Cash Flows From Operating Activities:</b>			
Net loss	\$ (9,791,435)	\$ (8,332,212)	\$ (43,403,547)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities:			
Depreciation and amortization	105,307	37,695	230,547
Compensation in lieu of receivable	-	-	407,900
Share based compensation - employees	78,349	2,943,767	17,816,166
Share based compensation - non-employees	209,243	3,650,125	6,860,947
Share based payment - Technology license contingent fee	-	-	1,550,000
Change in estimated fair value of derivative financial instruments - warrants	2,395,618	-	2,395,618
<b>Changes in operating assets and liabilities:</b>			
Prepaid expenses	(96,065)	(6,032)	(117,895)
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	312,001	89,102	3,800,796
Net cash used in operating activities	<u>(6,786,982)</u>	<u>(1,617,555)</u>	<u>(10,459,468)</u>
<b>Cash Flows From Investing Activities:</b>			
Purchase of fixed assets	(9,693)	(3,490)	(37,339)
Purchase of intangible assets	(5,700)	(1,082,971)	(1,173,793)
Repayment of technology license liability	(1,300,000)	-	(1,150,000)
Cash received in merger transaction	-	-	3,721
Payments made on behalf of affiliate	-	-	(137,547)
Loans made to stockholder	-	-	(382,900)
Increase in note receivable - related party	-	(193,500)	-
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(1,315,393)</u>	<u>(1,279,961)</u>	<u>(2,877,858)</u>
<b>Cash Flows From Financing Activities:</b>			
Proceeds from related parties	-	-	56,500
Repayment of net amounts due to related parties	(13,200)	-	(46,500)
Proceeds from note payable - related party	-	838,764	930,000
Repayment of note payable - related party	(884,764)	-	(930,000)
Investors' deposits	-	-	100,000
Proceeds received from issuance of common stock, net of fees of \$678,986, \$73,952, and \$820,367, respectively	9,275,465	2,045,115	13,513,840
Repayment of stock subscription receivable	-	35,000	-
Net cash provided by financing activities	<u>8,377,501</u>	<u>2,918,879</u>	<u>13,623,840</u>
Net increase in cash	275,126	21,363	286,514
Cash, beginning of period	11,388	10,053	-
Cash, end of period	<u>\$ 286,514</u>	<u>\$ 31,416</u>	<u>\$ 286,514</u>
<b>Supplemental Disclosure of Cash Flow Information:</b>			
Cash paid for interest	\$ 28,263	\$ -	\$ 43,027
<b>Non-cash investing and financing activities:</b>			
Forfeiture of subscription receivable	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 25,000
Shares issued on behalf of related party	\$ 44,400	\$ -	\$ 44,400
Allocation of proceeds from issuance of common stock to registration payment arrangement	\$ 360,000	\$ -	\$ 360,000

**RETROPHIN, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY**  
**(A DEVELOPMENT STAGE COMPANY)**  
**NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**NOTE 1. DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS**

*Organization and Description of Business*

Retrophin, Inc. (the “Company”) is an emerging biotechnology company dedicated to developing drugs for rare and life-threatening diseases. The Company’s primary business objective is to develop and commercialize therapies for orphan diseases, such as Duchenne muscular dystrophy, or DMD, focal segmental glomerulosclerosis, and pantothenate kinase-associated neurodegeneration. The Company is considered to be a development stage company and, as such, the Company’s financial statements are prepared in accordance with the Accounting Standards Codification (“ASC”) 915 “Development Stage Entities.” The Company is subject to all of the risks and uncertainties associated with development stage companies.

**NOTE 2. BASIS OF PRESENTATION**

The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements of the Company should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in the Company’s Annual Report on Form 10-K/A for the year ended December 31, 2012 (the “2012 10-K/A”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) on September 13, 2013. The accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (“GAAP”) for interim financial information, the instructions to Form 10-Q and the rules and regulations of the SEC. Accordingly, since they are interim statements, the accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements do not include all of the information and notes required by GAAP for annual financial statements, but reflect all adjustments consisting of normal, recurring adjustments, that are necessary for a fair presentation of the financial position, results of operations and cash flows for the interim periods presented. Interim results are not necessarily indicative of results for a full year. The December 31, 2012 balance sheet information was derived from the audited financial statements as of that date.

**NOTE 3. LIQUIDITY, FINANCIAL CONDITION AND MANAGEMENT PLANS**

The Company incurred a net loss of approximately \$43 million, including stock-based compensation charge of approximately \$25 million for the period from March 11, 2011 (inception) to June 30, 2013. At June 30, 2013, the Company had a cash balance of approximately \$286,500 and a working capital deficit of approximately \$10.7 million. The Company’s accumulated deficit amounted to \$43,403,547 at June 30, 2013.

The Company has principally financed its operations from inception using proceeds from sales of its equity securities in a series of private placement transactions (see Note 10 and Note 12). The Company to date has no revenues, significantly limited capital resources and is subject to all of the risks and uncertainties that are typical of a development stage enterprise. Significant uncertainties include, among others, whether it will be able to raise the capital it needs to finance the start of its planned operations and whether such operations, if launched, will enable the Company to become a profitable enterprise.

On August 14, 2013, the Company and the investors who participated in the private placement transaction that the Company completed on February 14, 2013, entered into the first amendment to the registration rights agreement (the “Amended Registration Rights Agreement”) associated with that transaction. The Amended Registration Rights Agreement provides, among other things, for (i) a waiver of any and all liquidated damages that the Company incurred for its inability to cause the a registration statement to be declared effective within certain contractually defined time-frames stipulated in the original agreement; (ii) a commitment on the part of the investors in the February private placement to participate in a private placement transaction that the Company completed on August 15, 2013, and (iii) a covenant on the part of the Company to proceed with the sale of shares that were issued under the August 15, 2013 private placement transaction. In exchange, the Company paid an aggregate fee to these investors of \$2,495,256 consisting of (i) 73,710 shares of the Company’s common stock with an aggregate fair value of \$331,695 (based on the selling price of \$4.50 per share in the August financing transaction ); (ii) cash in the amount of \$1,835,000 (Note 13); and (iii) warrants to purchase 98,756 shares of common stock with a fair value of \$328,561. The investors were also given the option to purchase shares of the Company’s common stock at \$4.50 as a use of the cash portion of the payment arrangement. Accordingly, \$946,196 of the cash portion of the fee was settled in cash and the remainder was settled by the issuance of 197,512, shares. Additionally, the Company paid \$103,425 to an investor to whom the Company sold shares in a private placement transaction in January 2013 and who participated in the August 2013 private placement transaction. This payment was settled entirely by the issuance of 20,685 shares of the Company’s common stock at a value of \$5.00 per share.

The Company entered into an additional settlement agreement on August 29, 2013 (Note 13).

On August 16, 2013, the Company announced that it had signed an agreement with a major pharmaceutical company for the exclusive right to negotiate a royalty-bearing U.S. license for a product to be developed for the treatment of Autism and Schizophrenia. Pursuant to the exclusivity agreement, the Company paid the major pharmaceutical company a non-refundable upfront fee and will have an exclusive period of 120 days to negotiate a license agreement (see Note 13).



In the second quarter of 2013, the Company, its Chief Executive Officer and a related party became parties to a series of agreements to settle up to \$2,286,511 of liabilities, which Company management believes are the primary obligation of the related party. The Company paid \$593,111 of these settlements in the second quarter on behalf of the related party and had outstanding liabilities of \$1,691,400 as of June 30, 2013, which is entirely past due as of the date of this filing. The counter parties to these agreements reserve the right to demand payment at any time. The Chief Executive Officer also agreed to deliver or cause to be delivered 47,128 shares of common stock to one of the counter parties as a separate component of one of these agreements. Accordingly, the Company does not believe it is required to record a liability for the shared-based component of this specific agreement during the second quarter ended June 30, 2013. There is uncertainty as to whether the related party will have sufficient liquidity to repay the Company or fund the indemnification agreements should it become necessary (see Note 9).

On August 29, 2013, the Company entered into an additional settlement agreement for \$300,000 due following execution of the agreement. As of the date of this filing, this settlement has been paid (see Note 13).

These conditions raise substantial doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. These condensed consolidated financial statements do not include any adjustments relating to the recovery of assets or the classification of liabilities that might be necessary should the Company be unable to continue as a going concern.

Management believes the Company's ability to continue its operations depends on its ability to raise capital. In February 2012, the Company entered into a license agreement providing it with the use of certain technology. The Company is currently developing pre-clinical and clinical studies of drug candidates. The license agreement (described in Note 7) also enables the Company to sell the licensed technology as a research product or sublicense the technology to other third parties as alternative sources of revenue to its own product development efforts. The Company's future depends on the costs, timing, and outcome of regulatory reviews of its product candidates and the costs of commercialization activities, including product marketing, sales and distribution. During the first quarter of 2013, the Company raised an aggregate of approximately \$9.95 million in certain private placement transactions. During the third quarter of 2013, the Company raised an additional \$25 million in aggregate proceeds in connection with a private placement transaction. The Company expects to continue to finance its cash needs through additional private equity offerings and debt financings, corporate collaboration and licensing arrangements and grants from patient advocacy groups, foundations and government agencies. Although management believes that the Company has access to capital resources, there are no commitments for financing in place at this time, nor can management provide any assurance that such financing will be available on commercially acceptable terms, if at all.

#### **NOTE 4. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

A summary of the significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of the accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements follows:

##### *Principles of Consolidation*

The condensed consolidated financial statements represent the consolidation of the accounts of the Company and its subsidiary in conformity with U.S. GAAP. All intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

##### *Cash and Cash Equivalents*

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the Company considers cash instruments with maturities of less than three months when purchased to be cash equivalents. There are no cash equivalents as of the balance sheet dates.

##### *Property and Equipment*

Property and equipment are stated at cost. Depreciation is provided for using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets. At June 30, 2013 and 2012, property and equipment consisted of computers with an estimated useful life of three years, leasehold improvements with an estimated life of four years and furniture with an estimated life of seven years.

##### *Employee Stock-Based Compensation*

The Company accounts for stock-based compensation in accordance with ASC 718 Compensation — Stock Compensation ("ASC 718"). ASC 718 addresses all forms of share-based payment ("SBP") awards including shares issued under employee stock purchase plans and stock incentive shares. Under ASC 718 awards result in a cost that is measured at fair value on the awards' grant date, based on the estimated number of awards that are expected to vest and will result in a charge to operations.

### *Non-Employee Stock-Based Compensation*

The Company accounts for equity instruments issued to non-employees in accordance with the provisions of ASC 505, "Equity Based Payments to Non-Employees", ("ASC 505") and ASC 718 which requires that such equity instruments are recorded at their fair value on the measurement date. The measurement of stock-based compensation is subject to periodic adjustment as the underlying equity instruments vest. Non-employee stock-based compensation charges are being amortized over their respective contractual vesting periods.

### *Use of Estimates*

In preparing financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP, management is required to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, as well as the reported amounts of expenses during the reporting period. Due to inherent uncertainty involved in making estimates, actual results reported in future periods may be affected by changes in these estimates. On an ongoing basis, the Company evaluates its estimates and assumptions. These estimates and assumptions include valuing equity securities in share-based payments, estimating fair value of equity instruments recorded as derivative liabilities, estimating the useful lives of depreciable and amortizable assets and estimating the fair value of long-lived assets to assets whether impairment charges may apply.

### *Research and Development Costs*

Research and development costs are charged to operations as incurred and consist primarily of consulting costs, contract research and development costs, and compensation costs. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012, and for the period from March 11, 2011 (inception) through June 30, 2013, the Company recognized \$605,203, \$141,962, \$713,937, \$176,233, and \$1,608,451, respectively, of research and development costs.

### *Patents*

The Company capitalized external cost, such as filing fees and associated attorney fees, incurred to obtain issued patents and patent applications pending. The Company expense cost associated with maintaining and defending patents subsequent to their issuance in the period incurred. The Company amortizes patent cost once issued on a straight-line basis over the estimate useful lives of the patents. The Company assess the potential impairment to all capitalized patent cost when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of our patent may not be recoverable.

### *Basic and diluted Net Loss Per Share*

Basic and diluted net loss per share has been computed by dividing net loss by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. All potentially dilutive common shares have been excluded since their inclusion would be anti-dilutive.

An aggregate of 1,597,969 and 0 warrants were excluded from the computation of diluted net loss per common share for the three and six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012 because to do so would have an anti-dilutive effect for the periods presented.

An aggregate of 120,000 and 0 stock options were excluded from the computation of diluted net loss per common share for the three and six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012 because they were contingent options subject to recall and to do so would have an anti-dilutive effect for the periods presented.

An aggregate of 231,493 and 1,973,142 common stock equivalents (incentive shares) were excluded from the computation of diluted net loss per common share for the three and six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012 because they were contingent shares subject to recall.

### *Derivative Instruments*

The Company does not use derivative instruments to hedge exposures to cash flow, market or foreign currency risks. The Company evaluates all of its financial instruments to determine if such instruments are derivatives or contain features that qualify as embedded derivatives. For derivative financial instruments that are accounted for as liabilities, the derivative instrument is initially recorded at its fair value and is then revalued at each reporting date, with changes in the fair value reported in the statements of operations. For stock-based derivative financial instruments, the Company calculates the fair value of the financial instruments using a probability-weighted Black-Scholes option pricing model, which is comparable to the Binomial Lattice options pricing model at inception and on each subsequent valuation date. The classification of derivative instruments, including whether such instruments should be recorded as liabilities or as equity, is evaluated at the end of each reporting period. (See Note 5 and Note 6).

### *Joint and Several Liability Assessment*

The Company measures obligations resulting from joint and several liability arrangements as the sum of the amount that the Company has (a) contractually agreed to pay, and (b) any additional amounts that the Company expects to pay on behalf of its co-obligors.

### *Financial Instruments and Fair Value*

ASC Topic 820, “Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures,” (“ASC Topic 820”) establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under ASC Topic 820 are described below:

*Level 1* – Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets that are accessible at the measurement date for identical, unrestricted assets or liabilities;

*Level 2* – Quoted prices in markets that are not active or financial instruments for which all significant inputs are observable, either directly or indirectly; and

*Level 3* – Prices or valuations that require inputs that are both significant to the fair value measurement and unobservable.

In estimating the fair value of the Company’s derivative liabilities, the Company used a probability-weighted Black-Scholes option pricing model. (See Note 5 and Note 6).

Financial assets with carrying values approximating fair value include cash and cash equivalents as well as prepaid expenses and other current assets. Financial liabilities with carrying values approximating fair value include accounts payable and other accrued liabilities.

### *Registration Payment Arrangement*

The Company accounted for registration rights agreements in accordance with ASC 825-20, “Registration Payment Arrangements.” ASC 825-20 addresses an issuer’s accounting for registration payment arrangements. This pronouncement specifies that the contingent obligation to make future payments or otherwise transfer consideration under a registration payment arrangement, whether issued as a separate agreement or included as a provision of a financial instrument, should be separately recognized and accounted for as a contingency in accordance with ASC 450-20 “Loss Contingencies”.

### *Subsequent Events*

The Company follows the provisions of ASC Topic 855-10, “Subsequent Events,” relating to subsequent events. This guidance establishes principles and requirements for subsequent events. This guidance defines the period after the balance sheet date during which events or transactions that may occur would be required to be disclosed in a company’s financial statements. The Company has evaluated subsequent events up to the date of issuance of this report.

### *Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements*

In February 2013, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Updated (“ASU”) 2013-04 “Obligations Resulting from Joint and Several Liability Arrangements for Which the Amount at the Reporting Date is Fixed”) (“ASU 2013-04”). The guidance in this update is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2013 with early adoption permitted. The guidance in this update requires companies to measure obligations resulting from joint and several liability arrangements as the sum of the amount the entity has (a) contractually agreed to pay, and (b) any additional amounts that the entity expects to pay on behalf of its co-obligors. The Company early adopted this guidance in the second quarter of 2013 (Note 9 and Note 13).

Except as noted above, management does not believe that any recently issued, but not yet effective accounting pronouncements, if adopted, would have a significant effect on the accompanying consolidated financial statements.

### **NOTE 5. DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS**

In accordance with ASC Topic 815-40, “Derivative and Hedging – Contracts in Entity’s Own Equity” (“ASC Topic 815-40”), instruments which do not have fixed settlement provisions are deemed to be derivative instruments. Based upon the Company’s analysis of the criteria contained in ASC Topic 815-40, the warrants issued in connection with the sale of the common stock during the period ended June 30, 2013 that do not have fixed settlement provisions, are not indexed to Company’s own stock. The fair value of the warrants are classified as derivative liabilities due to a ratchet provision that allows for a favorable adjustment to the exercise price if the Company issues additional equity instruments in the future at an effective price per share less than the exercise price then in effect.

The warrants are re-measured at each balance sheet date based on estimated fair value. Changes in estimated fair value are recorded as non-cash valuation adjustments within other income (expense) in the Company's results of operations. The Company recorded a gain and loss on a change in the estimated fair value of warrants of \$56,041 and \$2,395,618 for the three and six months ended June 30, 2013, respectively.

The Company calculated the fair value of the warrants using a probability-weighted Black-Scholes option pricing model which is comparable to the Binomial Lattice pricing model. The assumptions used at the date of issuance and at June 30, 2013 are noted in the following table:

	As of	
	Date of issuance February 14, 2013	June 30, 2013
Fair market price of common stock	\$3.75	\$5.50
Expected option term	5 years	4.63 years
Risk-free interest rate	0.86%	1.41%
Expected volatility	101%	98.59%

Expected volatility is based on historical stock volatilities of several comparable publicly-traded companies over a period equal to the expected terms of the warrants, as the Company does not have a long trading history to estimate the volatility of its own common stock. The warrants have a transferability provision. Based on guidance provided in SEC Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 107 ("SAB 107") for options issued with such a provision, the Company used the full contractual term as the initial expected term of the warrants. The risk free interest rate is based on the U.S. Treasury security rates for the remaining term of the warrants at the measurement date.

#### **NOTE 6. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS**

The following table presents the Company's liability that is measured and recognized at fair value on a recurring basis classified under the appropriate level of the fair value hierarchy as of June 30, 2013:

	Total carrying value at June 30, 2013	Fair Value Measurements at June 30, 2013		
		Quoted prices in active markets (Level 1)	Significant other observable inputs (Level 2)	Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3)
Derivative liabilities related to warrants	\$ 6,901,223	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,901,223

The following table sets forth a summary of changes in the estimated fair value of the Company's Level 3 liability for the six months ended June 30, 2013:

	Fair Value Measurements of Common Stock Warrants Using Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
Balance at December 31, 2012	\$ -
Issuance of common stock warrants	4,505,605
Change in fair value of common stock warrant liability	2,395,618
Balance at June 30, 2013	\$ 6,901,223

A financial instrument's level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. At each reporting period, the Company performs a detailed analysis of the assets and liabilities that are subject to ASC Topic 820. At each reporting period, all assets and liabilities for which the fair value measurement is based on significant unobservable inputs or instruments which trade infrequently and therefore have little or no price transparency are classified as Level 3.

#### **NOTE 7. LICENSE AGREEMENT**

On February 16, 2012 the Company entered into an agreement pursuant to which a biotech company (the "Sublicensor") with license rights to certain drug technologies agreed to grant us a worldwide sublicense for the development, manufacture and commercialization of RE-021 (DARA). The licensing agreement also enables the Company to sell the licensed technology as a research product or sublicense the technology to other third parties as potential sources of revenue. Under the license agreement, Sublicensor is obligated to transfer to the Company certain information, records, regulatory filings, materials and inventory controlled by Sublicensor and relating to or useful for developing RE-021. The Company must use commercially reasonable efforts to develop and commercialize RE-021 in specified major market countries and other countries in which the Company believes it is commercially reasonable to develop and commercialize such products. The agreement shall continue until neither party has any obligations under the agreement to make payments to the other party.

In accordance with the agreement as amended most recently as of January 7, 2013, the Company made two non-refundable payments totaling \$2,550,000, the first payment of \$1,150,000 made upon execution and the second payment of \$1,400,000 made in February 2013, which includes a \$250,000 fee payable to the sublicensee in exchange for extended due date of this payment from October 1, 2012 to February 2013. As of June 30, 2013, the Company has recognized \$2,300,000 for the cost of the License Agreement which is presented in the accompanying consolidated balance sheet as an intangible asset that is being amortized on a straight-line basis over the term of the License Agreement which expires on September 30, 2023. The \$250,000 of extension fees were expensed to operations in February 2013. In addition, the Company issued 620,000 common shares to Ligand valued at \$1,550,000 as a result of the merger transaction, the amount of which was expensed to operations in December 2012. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012, and for the period from March 11, 2011 (inception) through June 30, 2013, the Company recognized amortization expense of the license related to this agreement of \$50,511, \$36,581, \$100,466, \$36,581, and \$221,849 respectively.

#### **NOTE 8. NOTES PAYABLE**

##### *Note Payable - related party*

On February 1, 2012, the Company entered into a secured promissory note with a related party in the amount of \$900,000, with an interest rate of 12% per annum, compounded monthly. The outstanding principal and interest balance of this note was fully repaid during the first quarter of 2013.

Total interest expense recognized for the three and six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012, and for the period from March 11, 2011 (inception) through June 30, 2013 amounted to \$0, \$26,471, \$19,733, \$43,798 and \$147,480, respectively.

#### **NOTE 9. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

On December 8, 2011, the Company received advances of funds aggregating \$8,500 from entities related through common ownership. Such advances were repaid during the first quarter of 2013.

In August 2012, the Company paid a security deposit on behalf of an affiliate of \$137,547 in connection with a building lease entered into by such affiliate. The Company assumed the lease from its affiliate in April 2013, whereby the security deposit was assigned to the Company. The Company leases approximately 4,216 square feet of office space for approximately \$275,000 per year base rent plus rent escalations, common area maintenance, insurance, and real estate taxes, under a lease agreement expiring August 2016.

In the second quarter of 2013, the Company, its Chief Executive Officer and a related party became party to a series of agreements to settle up to \$2,286,511 of liabilities, which Company management believes are the primary obligation of the related party. The Company and the related party have entered into indemnification agreements whereby the related party has agreed to defend and hold the Company harmless against all such obligations and amounts, whether paid or unpaid, arising from these agreements. Notwithstanding the indemnification, the Company recorded a \$2,286,511 charge to operations during the quarter ended June 30, 2013 and a corresponding liability of \$1,691,400 for the difference between (a) the aggregate amount of all such settlements, and (b) \$593,111 of cash and non-cash consideration that the Company paid to immediately settle a portion of the agreement on behalf of the related party. The \$1,691,400 is past due as of the August 9, 2013. The counter parties to these agreements reserve the right to demand payment at any time. The Chief Executive Officer also agreed to deliver or cause to be delivered 47,128 shares of common stock to one of the counter parties as a separate component of one of these agreements. Accordingly, the Company does not believe it is required to record a liability for the shared-based component of this specific agreement during the second quarter ended June 30, 2013. There is uncertainty as to whether the related party will have sufficient liquidity to repay the Company or fund the indemnification agreements should it become necessary. As of the date of this filing, the Company owes \$1,655,000 in cash and 5,000 shares of common stock valued at \$36,400, due immediately.

Concurrent with the execution of such settlement agreements, the Company received promissory notes from the related party whereby the related party agreed to pay the Company the principal amount of \$593,111 plus interest at an annualized rate of 5% as reimbursement of the payments that the Company made to settle a portion of the agreements.

The Company applied the accounting guidance provided in ASU 2013-04. The guidance in this update is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2013 with early adoption permitted. The guidance in this update requires companies to measure obligations resulting from joint and several liability arrangements as the sum of the amount that the entity has (a) contractually agreed to pay, and (b) any additional amounts that the entity expects to pay on behalf of its co-obligors. The Company has recorded the full amount of the settlements as a charge to its operations due to uncertainty as to whether the related party will have sufficient liquidity to repay the Company or fund the indemnification agreements should it become necessary. Any amounts that the Company may recover under the note due from the related party or under the terms of the indemnification agreement, if in fact any amounts are recovered at all, would be characterized as a capital contribution at the date such payments are received.

## **NOTE 10. STOCKHOLDERS' DEFICIT**

### ***Issuances***

#### ***Common Stock***

In January 2013, the Company sold an aggregate of 272,221 shares of common stock, at a purchase price of \$3.00 per share in certain private placement transactions, for an aggregate purchase price of \$816,664 in cash. The issuance of such shares of common stock was not registered under the Securities Act as such issuance was exempt from registration under Section 4(2) of the Securities Act and Regulation D promulgated thereunder.

On February 14, 2013, the Company closed a private placement (the "Private Placement") of 3,045,929 shares of common stock, at a purchase price of \$3.00 per share, or \$9,137,787 in the aggregate, and warrants (the "Warrants") to purchase up to an aggregate of 1,597,969 shares of common stock with an exercise price of \$3.60 per such share underlying any Warrant. The Warrants are deemed to be derivative instruments due to a ratchet provision that adjusts the exercise price if the Company issues additional equity instruments in the future at an effective price per share less than the exercise price then in effect. Upon issuance of the warrants, the Company recorded a liability of \$4,505,605 to derivative financial instruments in its balance sheet.

On February 14, 2013, in connection with the closing of the Private Placement, the Company entered into a Registration Rights Agreement (the "Registration Rights Agreement") with the purchasers in the Private Placement (the "Purchasers"), which sets forth the rights of the Purchasers to have their shares of common stock purchased in the Private Placement and shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of the Warrants registered with the SEC for public resale.

Pursuant to the Registration Rights Agreement, the Company was required to file a Registration Statement on Form S-1 (the "Registration Statement") with the SEC within 30 days of the date of the Registration Rights Agreement registering the total number of shares of common stock purchased in the Private Placement and shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of the Warrants. The Company further agreed to use its reasonable efforts to have the Registration Statement declared effective within 60 days after the date of the Registration Rights Agreement (or, in the event of a "full review" by the SEC, within 90 days after the date of the Registration Rights Agreement). The Company has also agreed to use reasonable efforts to maintain the effectiveness of the Registration Statement until all of the securities covered by the Registration Statement have or may be sold by investors under Rule 144 of the Securities Act, without volume or manner-of-sale restrictions.

The Registration Rights Agreement provided that in the event the Registration Statement was not filed or declared effective within the prescribed time period or if the Company failed to maintain the effectiveness of the Registration Statement as required for specified time periods, the Company shall pay to the holders of registrable securities, on the date of each such event and on each monthly anniversary thereof until the applicable event is cured, partial liquidated damages equal to 2.0% of the aggregate purchase price paid by such Purchaser in the Private Placement, up to a maximum of 10.0% of such aggregate purchase price. If the Company fails to pay any partial liquidated damages pursuant to this Section in full within seven days after the date payable, the Company will pay interest thereon at a rate of 18% per annum (or such lesser maximum amount that is permitted to be paid by applicable law) to the Purchaser, accruing daily from the date such partial liquidated damages are due until such amounts, plus all such interest thereon, are paid in full.

The Company determined, as of the date of the financing transaction, that it was probable that it would not be in a position to cause the registration statement to be declared effective within the contractually defined time period. Accordingly, the Company allocated approximately \$360,000 of the proceeds to a registration payment arrangement liability on the date that the financing transaction closed, in accordance with the guidelines of ASC 825-20. As described in Notes 2 and 13, the Company and the investors who are parties to the registration payment arrangement entered into an the Amended Registration Rights Agreement which provides, among other things, for a waiver of the liquidated damages that the Company incurred under the original terms of the registration payment arrangement described herein.

Subsequent to June 30, 2013, in connection with a private placement transaction which closed in August 2013, the Company amended the February 2013 Registration Rights Agreement (see Note 13).

## Stock Options

On May 13, 2013, the Company issued options (the "Options") to purchase 120,000 shares of common stock in connection with an employment agreement with Horacio Plotkin, M.D. (the "Plotkin Employment Agreement") pursuant to which Dr. Plotkin was appointed as Chief Medical Officer of the Company. The options vest quarterly on a pro rata portion during the 3 years following the effective date of July 1, 2013. The Company valued these Options using the Black-Scholes options pricing model and the following assumption terms: risk-free interest rate of .83% (based on the US Treasury note yield), expected term (in years) of 5.81 (based on guidance provided in SAB 107 that allows the Company to use the simplified method for "plain vanilla" options for this calculation), expected volatility of 98.56% (based on historical stock volatilities of several comparable publicly-traded companies over a period equal to the expected term of the options, as the Company does not have a long trading history to estimate the volatility of its own common stock), and an exercise price equal to the fair value of the stock on the date of issuance of \$8.70 per share. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2013 the Company recognized \$36,683 as compensation expense related to the Options. At June 30, 2013, the unrecognized compensation expense, remaining amortization period, intrinsic value and remaining contract life of the Options are \$768,049, 2.75 years, \$0 and 9.87 years, respectively.

### NOTE 11. INCENTIVE SHARES

At June 30, 2013, the Company did not have any active share-based compensation plans available for grants to employees, non-employee directors and consultants. Since its inception, the Company has granted incentive shares.

For the three and six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012, and for the period from March 11, 2011 (inception) through June 30, 2013, the Company recognized \$91,705, \$4,038,864, \$250,909, \$6,593,892 and \$24,640,431 as compensation expense related to incentive shares granted in the consolidated statements of operations, respectively. Share compensation for non-employee awards subject to vesting is being accrued at current fair value. As of June 30, 2013, there was approximately \$1,114,984, of unrecognized compensation cost related to incentive shares issued. This amount is expected to be recognized over a weighted average of 2.17 years.

	Employee - number of shares	Non Employee - number of shares	Total number of shares	Weighted Average Fair Value
Unvested December 31, 2011	1,281,225	321,165	1,602,390	\$ 4.00
Granted	866,180	87,503	953,683	12.89
Vested	(2,048,280)	(193,672)	(2,241,952)	7.34
Forfeited	(46,353)	-	(46,353)	9.06
Unvested December 31, 2012	52,772	214,996	267,768	5.79
Granted	120,000	12,500	132,500	6.17
Vested	(11,112)	(64,748)	(75,860)	7.04
Forfeited	(20,833)	(72,082)	(92,915)	4.00
Unvested June 30, 2013	140,827	90,666	231,493	\$ 4.82

All of the Company's share base payments were originally issued as Retrophin LLC Class B incentive units that represent a profits interest up through the date of Retrophin LLC's conversion to a C Corporation, which was structured as a tax free exchange transaction.

Shares granted as incentive shares were originally subject to certain conditions at the time of grant. Such conditions specified that upon the occurrence of a Termination Event, as defined in the amended operating agreement the Company shall have the right, but not the obligation, to repurchase, all, of the vested incentive shares owned by such incentive shareholder, at a purchase price based on the fair market value of the incentive shares determined in good faith by the Board of Directors. The aforementioned repurchase option was rescinded upon the Company's conversion to a corporation.

Effective May 20, 2013, the Company entered into an employment agreement with Marc L. Panoff (the "Panoff Employment Agreement") pursuant to which Mr. Panoff was appointed as Chief Financial Officer and Chief Accounting Officer of the Company. In accordance with the terms of the Panoff Employment Agreement, Mr. Panoff will be granted 120,000 units of restricted common stock of the Company, a pro rata portion of which will vest quarterly beginning on December 31, 2013 during the 3 years following the effective date.

### NOTE 12. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

The Company assumed a building lease from an affiliate in April 2013 and is responsible for rent of approximately \$275,000 annually through August 2016 (see Note 9).

The Company is obligated to pay \$1,835,000 and 73,710 shares of Common Stock in liquidated damages in accordance with the February 14, 2013 Registration Rights Agreement (see Note 10).

The Company is required to make an upfront fee payment in connection with an exclusivity agreement entered into with a major pharmaceutical company in August 2013 (see Note 13).

### **NOTE 13. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

#### *First Amendment to the February Registration Rights Agreement*

As described in Notes 3 and 10, the Company and the investors who participated in the private placement transaction that the Company completed on February 14, 2013, entered into the Amended Registration Rights Agreement which provides, among other things, for (i) a waiver of any and all liquidated damages that the Company incurred for its inability to cause the registration statement from its February 14, 2013 private placement to be declared effective within certain contractually defined time-frames; (ii) a commitment on the part of the investors in the February private placement to participate in a private placement transaction that the Company completed on August 15, 2013, and (iii) a covenant on the part of the Company to proceed with the sale of shares that were issued under the August 15, 2013 private placement transaction. In exchange, the Company paid an aggregate fee to these investors of \$2,495,256 consisting of (i) 73,710 shares of the Company's common stock with an aggregate fair value of \$331,695 (based on the selling price of \$4.50 per share in the August financing transaction ); (ii) cash in the amount of \$1,835,000; and (iii) warrants to purchase 98,756 shares of common stock with a fair value of \$328,561. The investors were also given the option to purchase shares of the Company's common stock at \$4.50 as a use of the cash portion of the payment arrangement. Accordingly, \$946,196 of the cash portion of the fee was settled in cash and the remainder was settled by the issuance of 197,512 shares. Additionally, the Company paid \$103,425 to an investor to whom the Company sold shares in a private placement transaction in January 2013 and who participated in the August 2013 private placement transaction. This payment was settled entirely by the issuance of 20,685 shares of the Company's common stock at a value of \$5.00 per share. The Company will record the aggregate amount of the payments made to the investors by allocating approximately \$360,000 to the waiver of the original registration payment obligation to be taken as a charge to operations and the remaining amount of \$2,238,681 will be treated as reduction of the proceeds received in the August financing transaction.

#### *Private Placement Transaction*

On August 15, 2013, the Company closed a private placement and sold 5,536,957 shares of the Company's common stock, at a purchase price of \$4.50 per share, or approximately \$25,000,000 in the aggregate, and warrants to purchase up to an aggregate of 2,768,479 shares of common stock with an exercise price of \$6.00 per share underlying each warrant. The Warrants are deemed to be derivative instruments due to a ratchet provision that adjusts the exercise price if the Company issues additional equity instruments in the future at an effective price per share less than the exercise price then in effect. The issuance of the shares of common stock in such private placement was not registered under the Securities Act as such issuance was exempt from registration under Section 4(2) of the Securities Act and Regulation D promulgated thereunder.

#### *Exclusivity Agreement*

On August 16, 2013, the Company announced that it had signed an agreement with a major pharmaceutical company for the exclusive right to negotiate a royalty-bearing U.S. license for a product to be developed for the treatment of Autism and Schizophrenia. Pursuant to the exclusivity agreement, the Company paid the major pharmaceutical company a non-refundable upfront fee and will have an exclusive period of 120 days to negotiate a license agreement. Upon execution of a license agreement, the Company would receive the exclusive right to the intellectual property to develop, manufacture and sell the product in the United States and would pay an additional fee to the major pharmaceutical company.

#### *Additional Settlement Agreement*

On August 29, 2013, the Company entered into an additional settlement agreement for \$300,000 due following execution of the agreement. The Company charged this amount to selling, general and administrative expense in its statement of operations. As of the date of this filing, this settlement has been paid.



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

*The following discussion and analysis is intended as a review of significant factors affecting our financial condition and results of operations for the periods indicated. The discussion should be read in conjunction with our consolidated financial statements and the notes presented herein. In addition to historical information, the following Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations contains forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. Our actual results could differ significantly from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements as a result of certain factors discussed in this Form 10-Q.*

### Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

Certain information contained in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Retrophin, Inc., a Delaware corporation (“we”, “us”, the “Company” or “Retrophin”) include forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. The statements herein which are not historical reflect our current expectations and projections about the Company’s future results, performance, liquidity, financial condition, prospects and opportunities and are based upon information currently available to the Company and our management and their interpretation of what is believed to be significant factors affecting the businesses, including many assumptions regarding future events. Such forward-looking statements include statements regarding, among other things:

- our ability to produce, market and generate sales of our products;
- our ability to develop, acquire and/or introduce new products;
- our projected future sales, profitability and other financial metrics;
- our future financing plans;
- our plans for expansion of our facilities;
- our anticipated needs for working capital;
- the anticipated trends in our industry;
- our ability to expand our sales and marketing capability;
- acquisitions of other companies or assets that we might undertake in the future;
- our operations in the United States and abroad, and the domestic and foreign regulatory, economic and political conditions; and
- competition existing today or that will likely arise in the future.

Forward-looking statements, which involve assumptions and describe our future plans, strategies and expectations, are generally identifiable by use of the words “may,” “should,” “expect,” “anticipate,” “estimate,” “believe,” “intend,” “seek,” or “project” or the negative of these words or other variations on these words or comparable terminology. Actual results, performance, liquidity, financial condition and results of operations, prospects and opportunities could differ materially from those expressed in, or implied by, these forward-looking statements as a result of various risks, uncertainties and other factors, including the ability to raise sufficient capital to continue the Company’s operations. Actual events or results may differ materially from those discussed in forward-looking statements as a result of various factors, including, without limitation, the risks outlined under “Risk Factors” on our Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) on June 13, 2013 and matters described in this Form 10-Q generally. In light of these risks and uncertainties, there can be no assurance that the forward-looking statements contained in this Form 10-Q will in fact occur. Potential investors should not place undue reliance on any forward-looking statements. Except as expressly required by the federal securities laws, there is no undertaking to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events, changed circumstances or any other reason.

The specific discussions in this Form 10-Q about the Company include financial projections and future estimates and expectations about the Company’s business. The projections, estimates and expectations are presented in this Form 10-Q only as a guide about future possibilities and do not represent actual amounts or assured events. All the projections and estimates are based exclusively on the Company management’s own assessment of our business, the industry in which it works and the economy at large and other operational factors, including capital resources and liquidity, financial condition, fulfillment of contracts and opportunities. The actual results may differ significantly from the projections.

Potential investors should not make an investment decision based solely on the Company's projections, estimates or expectations.

## Overview

Our results of operations discussed below reflect our operations during the period in which we are in development stage and starting up our operations. As a result, these results should not be considered indicative of our anticipated results of operations on a going forward basis.

### Business

We were organized as Desert Gateway, Inc. ("Desert Gateway"), a corporation whose sole purpose was to locate and consummate a merger or acquisition with a private entity and, prior to the merger described below, had no existing operations.

On December 12, 2012, Desert Gateway completed the transactions contemplated under the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of December 12, 2012 (the "Merger Agreement"), by and among Desert Gateway, Desert Gateway Acquisition Corp., a Delaware corporation and wholly-owned subsidiary of Desert Gateway, and former Retrophin, our predecessor, in which former Retrophin became a wholly-owned subsidiary and the principal operating subsidiary of the Company. The transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement are collectively referred to herein as the "Merger".

On February 14, 2013, we changed our name to "Retrophin, Inc." through a short-form merger pursuant to Section 253 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, with its then wholly owned subsidiary, and our predecessor, former Retrophin, with the Company continuing as the surviving corporation following the merger. On April 1, 2013, the Board of Directors of the Company determined to change the Company's fiscal year from a fiscal year ending in February of each year to a fiscal year ending on December 31 of each year.

We are a development stage company focused on developing pharmaceutical products primarily for the treatment of rare diseases. Our lead product in development, RE-021, is a small molecule intended to treat focal segmental glomerulosclerosis, and we expect to initiate a Phase 2 clinical study in 2013. We also have a number of programs in preclinical development. Our second most developed program (RE-024) for the treatment of pantothenate kinase-associated neurodegeneration is in preclinical testing, and we will seek to initiate clinical trials of this product candidate as soon as is practical. We are also developing a treatment for Duchenne muscular dystrophy. Our focus is to seek treatment for serious, unmet, rare diseases. The diseases on which we focus are considered "orphan" diseases because they affect fewer than 200,000 patients in the United States. However, such diseases have a profound impact on those that suffer from them and on their families. Currently, we believe that we are the only company that is focusing on developing treatments for these rare and ultra-rare diseases.

## Plan of Operation

Our plan of operation for the years ending December 31, 2013 and 2014 is to continue implementing our business strategy, including the clinical development of our three drug candidates, focusing primarily on the development of RE-021 for the treatment of focal segmental glomerulosclerosis (FSGS). We also intend to expand our drug product portfolio by acquiring additional drugs for marketing or development. We expect our principal expenditures during the next 12 months to include:

- operating expenses, including expanded research and development and general and administrative expenses; and
- product development expenses, including the costs incurred with respect to applications to conduct clinical trials in the United States for our three products and the costs of ongoing and planned clinical trials.

As part of our planned expansion, we anticipate hiring additional full-time employees for research and development activities and for general and administrative activities. In addition, we intend to use clinical research organizations and third parties to perform our clinical studies and manufacturing. At our current and desired pace of commercialization and clinical development of our drugs, for the next 12 months, we expect to spend approximately \$14 to \$16 million on clinical development and research and development activities and approximately \$5 to \$6 million on general and administrative expenses. We cannot assure you these amounts will be sufficient to fund our operations over the course of the next two years and we may need to expend significantly greater amounts to accomplish our goals.

## Research and Development Projects

*RE-021.* We plan to initiate a Phase 2 clinical trial of RE-021 in patients with FSGS in 2013, with reduction in proteinuria as the primary endpoint. We expect it will take at least three years to complete development and obtain FDA approval of RE-021 for any indication, and we may never obtain such approval. Currently, we anticipate that we will need to expend approximately an additional \$5 to \$6 million in development costs over the next 12 months and at least an aggregate of approximately \$25 to \$35 million before we receive FDA approval for RE-021 for treatment of patients with FSGS.

*RE-024.* We intend to develop RE-024 as a potential treatment for pantothenate kinase-associated neurodegeneration (PKAN). RE-024 is a preclinical investigational program. In vivo animal testing of these molecules is ongoing. In August 2013, we announced that we received positive survival results from interim preclinical tests for the treatment of PKAN. RE-024 is a replacement therapy for phosphopantothenate, the substrate that is missing in patients with PKAN. Tests were conducted on mice that were administered a PANK inhibitor to induce a PKAN-like phenotype.

We expect to initiate a human study for RE-024 in the first quarter of 2014. We expect that it will take an additional five to seven years to complete development and obtain FDA approval of RE-024, if ever. Currently, we anticipate that we will need to expend approximately an additional \$3 to \$4 million in development costs over the next 12 months and at least an aggregate of approximately \$30 to \$50 million until we receive FDA approval for RE-024 should we choose to continue development.

*RE-001.* RE-001 is a recombinant, modified form of utrophin, a protein similar to the dystrophin protein that is missing in the muscles of DMD patients. RE-001 is a preclinical investigational program. Production scale-up the molecule is underway, and we expect that in vivo evaluation of clinical trial quality material may begin in 2013. Currently, we anticipate that we will need to expend approximately an additional \$3 million in development costs over the next 12 months.

### **Results of Operations for the Three Month Period Ended June 30, 2013 compared to the Three Month Period Ended June 30, 2012**

#### *Operating Expenses*

We had no revenues during the three month period ended June 30, 2013 and 2012.

Our operating expenses for the three month period ended June 30, 2013 were \$5,099,902 compared to \$4,739,692 for the three month period ended June 30, 2012 which represents an increase of \$360,210. The expense increase was attributable to a decrease in our compensation and related costs in the amount of \$1,040,812, a decrease in our professional fees in the amount of \$1,361,197, offset by an increase in our selling, general and administrative costs in the amount of \$2,762,219. Included in selling, general and administrative costs are settlement charges in the amount of \$2,284,511.

#### *Other Income (Expense)*

Other income for the three month period ended June 30, 2013 was \$51,389 compared to other expense of \$20,487 for the three month period ended June 30, 2012 which represents a decrease of \$71,876. The decrease was primarily attributable to gain from the change in fair value of derivative financial instruments of \$56,041, a decrease in interest income of \$5,979, an increase in loss on transactions denominated in foreign currencies of \$4,657, offset by a decrease in interest expense of \$26,471.

### **Results of Operations for the Six Month Period Ended June 30, 2013 compared to the Six Month Period Ended June 30, 2012**

#### *Operating Expenses*

We had no revenues during the six month period ended June 30, 2013 and 2012.

Our operating expenses for the six month period ended June 30, 2013 were \$7,350,386 compared to \$8,298,146 for the six month period ended June 30, 2012 which represents a decrease of \$947,760. The expense decrease was attributable to a decrease in our compensation and related costs in the amount of \$1,765,356, a decrease in our professional fees in the amount of \$2,377,049, offset by an increase in our selling, general and administrative costs in the amount of \$3,094,645 and an increase in our technology license contingent fee in the amount of \$100,000. Included in selling, general and administrative costs are settlement charges in the amount of \$2,284,511.

#### *Other Income (Expense)*

Other expense for the six month period ended June 30, 2013 was \$2,441,049 compared to \$34,066 for the six month period ended June 30, 2012 which represents an increase of \$2,406,983. The expense increase was primarily attributable to the expense from the change in fair value of derivative financial instruments of \$2,395,618, a decrease in interest income of \$9,727, an increase in loss on transactions denominated in foreign currencies of \$3,873, offset by a decrease in interest expense of \$2,235.

## Costs and Expenses

Compensation and related costs include salaries, bonuses and benefits to Company executives and employees and vested incentive shares and options granted to members and employees.

Professional fees include vested incentive shares granted to consultants and direct transfers of shares to consultants by members; research and development fees for drug (RE-021 and RE-024), candidates for the treatment of FSGS and PKAN and evaluation of potential new technologies; legal expense related to licensing and production acquisition, employment and consulting agreements and general corporate work; consulting fees; accounting fees; and public and investor relations fees.

Selling, general and administrative include rent expense, depreciation and amortization, settlement charges, travel and entertainment, recruiting, insurance, business developments, advertising and other operating expenses.

## Liquidity and Capital Resources

Management believes that we will continue to incur losses for the foreseeable future. Therefore we will either need additional equity or debt financing, or by entering into strategic alliances on products in development to sustain our operations until we can achieve profitability and positive cash flows from operating activities, if ever.

Our continued operations will depend on whether we can successfully raise additional funds through equity and/or debt financing. Such additional funds may not become available on acceptable terms, if at all, and we cannot assure you that any additional funding we do obtain will be sufficient to meet our needs in the long term. Through June 30, 2013, we had raised approximately \$13.5 million through capital contributions and notes payable from Retrophin shareholders and related parties.

In January 2013, we sold an aggregate of 272,221 shares of common stock at \$3.00 per share in certain private placement transactions, for an aggregate purchase price of \$816,664 in cash.

On February 14, 2013, in connection with the closing of a private placement, we issued and sold an aggregate of 3,045,929 shares of common stock at \$3.00 per share, for an aggregate purchase price of \$9,137,787 in cash, and warrants to purchase up to an aggregate of 1,597,969 shares of common stock.

Since our inception in 2011, we have generated losses from operations and we anticipate that we will continue to generate losses from operations for the foreseeable future. As of June 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, our stockholders' deficit was \$8,457,398 and \$3,407,815, respectively. Our net loss for the six month period ended June 30, 2013 was \$9,791,435 compared to \$8,332,212 for the six month period ended June 30, 2012. Net cash used in operating activities was \$6,786,982 for the six month period ended June 30, 2013 compared to \$1,617,555 for the six month period ended June 30, 2012. Operations since inception have been funded entirely with the proceeds from equity and debt financings. As of June 30, 2013, we had cash equivalents of \$286,514. On August 15, 2013, we sold an aggregate of 5,536,957 shares of common stock at \$4.50 per share in a private placement for an aggregate purchase price of \$25,000,000 in cash, and warrants to purchase up to an aggregate of 2,768,476 shares of common stock with an exercise price of \$6.00 per share underlying each warrant. We will continue to fund operations from cash on hand and through the similar sources of capital previously described. We can give no assurance that such capital will be available to us on favorable terms or at all. If we are unable to raise additional funds in the future on acceptable terms, or at all, we may be forced to curtail our desired development. In addition we could be forced to delay or discontinue product development, and forego attractive business opportunities. Any additional sources of financing will likely involve the sale of our equity securities, which will have a dilutive effect on our stockholders.

On August 14, 2013, the Company and the investors who participated in the private placement transaction that the Company completed on February 14, 2013, entered into the first amendment to the registration rights agreement (the "Amended Registration Rights Agreement") associated with that transaction. The Amended Registration Rights Agreement provides, among other things, for (i) a waiver of any and all liquidated damages that the Company incurred for its inability to cause the a registration statement to be declared effective within certain contractually defined time-frames stipulated in the original agreement; (ii) a commitment on the part of the investors in the February private placement to participate in a private placement transaction that the Company completed on August 15, 2013, and (iii) a covenant on the part of the Company to proceed with the sale of shares that were issued under the August 15, 2013 private placement transaction. In exchange, the Company paid an aggregate fee to these investors of \$2,495,256 consisting of (i) 73,710 shares of the Company's common stock with an aggregate fair value of \$331,695 (based on the selling price of \$4.50 per share in the August financing transaction ); (ii) cash in the amount of \$1,835,000 (Note 13); and (iii) warrants to purchase 98,756 shares of common stock with a fair value of \$328,561. The investors were also given the option to purchase shares of the Company's common stock at \$4.50 as a use of the cash portion of the payment arrangement. Accordingly, \$946,196 of the cash portion of the fee was settled in cash and the remainder was settled by the issuance of 197,512, shares. Additionally, the Company paid \$103,425 to an investor to whom the Company sold shares in a private placement transaction in January 2013 and who participated in the August 2013 private placement transaction. This payment was settled entirely by the issuance of 20,685 shares of the Company's common stock at a value of \$5.00 per share.

On August 16, 2013, the Company announced that it had signed an agreement with a major pharmaceutical company for the exclusive right to negotiate a royalty-bearing U.S. license for a product to be developed for the treatment of Autism and Schizophrenia. Pursuant to the exclusivity agreement, the Company paid the major pharmaceutical company a non-refundable upfront fee and will have an exclusive period of 120 days to negotiate a license agreement (see Note 13).

In the second quarter of 2013, the Company, its Chief Executive Officer and a related party became parties to a series of agreements to settle up to \$2,286,511 of liabilities, which Company management believes are the primary obligation of the related party. The Company paid \$593,111 of these settlements in the second quarter on behalf of the related party and had outstanding liabilities of \$1,691,400 as of June 30, 2013, which is entirely past due as of the date of this filing. The counter parties to these agreements reserve the right to demand payment at any time. The Chief Executive Officer also agreed to deliver or cause to be delivered 47,128 shares of common stock to one of the counter parties as a separate component of one of these agreements. Accordingly, the Company does not believe it is required to record a liability for the shared-based component of this specific agreement during the second quarter ended June 30, 2013. There is uncertainty as to whether the related party will have sufficient liquidity to repay the Company or fund the indemnification agreements should it become necessary (see Note 9).

On August 29, 2013, the Company entered into an additional settlement agreement for \$300,000 due following execution of the agreement. As of the date of this filing, this settlement has been paid (see Note 13).

These conditions raise substantial doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. These condensed consolidated financial statements do not include any adjustments relating to the recovery of assets or the classification of liabilities that might be necessary should the Company be unable to continue as a going concern.

#### *Cash Flows from Operating Activities*

Operating activities used approximately \$6,786,982 of cash during the six month period ended June 30, 2013 compared \$1,617,555 for the six month period ended June 30, 2012. The increase of \$5,169,427 was the result of a decrease in non-cash charges of \$3,843,070 and a net change in operating assets and liabilities of \$132,868, offset by an increase in net loss of \$1,459,225.

#### *Cash Flows from Investing Activities*

Cash used in investing activities for the six month period ended June 30, 2013 was \$1,315,393, compared to \$1,279,961 for the six month period ended June 30, 2012. The increase of \$35,432 was primarily the result of repayment of a technology license liability of \$1,300,000 offset by a decrease in the purchase of intangible assets of \$1,077,271 and a decrease in a related party note receivable of \$193,500

#### *Cash Flows from Financing Activities*

For six month period ended June 30, 2013, cash provided by financing activities was \$8,377,501, compared to \$2,918,879 during the six month period ended June 30, 2012. The increase of \$5,458,622 was primarily a result of an increase of \$7,230,350 in proceeds received from the private sale of our equity securities, offset by a decrease in activities associated with related party notes payable of \$1,736,728.

In January 2013, we sold an aggregate of 272,221 shares of common stock at \$3.00 per share in certain private placement transactions, for an aggregate purchase price of \$816,664 in cash. The issuance of such shares of common stock was not registered under the Securities Act as such issuance was exempt from registration under Section 4(2) of the Securities Act and Regulation D promulgated thereunder.

On February 14, 2013, we closed a private placement of 3,045,929 shares of our common stock, at a purchase price of \$3.00 per share, or \$9,137,787 in the aggregate, and Warrants to purchase up to an aggregate of 1,597,969 shares of common stock with an exercise price of \$3.60 per such share underlying any warrant. The issuance of the shares of common stock in such private placement was not registered under the Securities Act as such issuance was exempt from registration under Section 4(2) of the Securities Act and Regulation D promulgated thereunder.

The Company concurrently entered into a registration rights agreement requiring it to file a registration statement on Form S-1 within 30 days of the closing date of the transaction and cause such registration statement to be declared effective within 60 days thereafter. The registration rights agreement provides for the payment of certain liquidated damages at the rate of 2% of the gross proceeds per month for each in which the Company is not in compliance with the agreement, not exceeding 10% of gross proceeds in the aggregate. As described elsewhere herein, the Company is not in compliance with the registration payment arrangement and therefore recorded \$360,000 as registration payment obligation.

#### **Critical Accounting Policies**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect reported amounts of assets and liabilities as of the date of the balance sheet and reported amounts of expenses for the periods presented. Judgments must also be made about the disclosure of contingent liabilities. Accordingly, actual results could differ significantly from those estimates. We believe the following discussion addresses the accounting policies that are necessary to understand and evaluate our reported financial results.

### *Share-Based Payments*

We adopted authoritative accounting guidance which establishes standards for share-based transactions in which we receive consultants or employee's services in exchange for equity instruments, such as stock incentive awards. These authoritative accounting standards require that we expense the fair value of stock awards, as measured on the awards' grant date.

If factors change and we employ different assumptions in the application of the relevant accounting guidance in future periods, the compensation expense that we record may differ significantly from what we have recorded in the current period. There is a high degree of subjectivity involved when using fair value to estimate share-based compensation. Consequently, there is a risk that our estimates of the fair values of our share-based compensation awards on the grant dates may bear little resemblance to the actual values realized upon the vesting, expiration, early termination or forfeiture of those share-based payments. Stock incentive awards options may expire worthless or otherwise result in zero value as compared to the fair values originally estimated on the grant date and reported in our financial statements. Alternatively, value may be realized from these instruments that are significantly in excess of the fair values originally estimated on the grant date and reported in our financial statements.

### *Income Taxes*

We follow FASB ASC 740, Income Taxes, which requires recognition of deferred tax assets and liabilities for the expected future tax consequences of events that have been included in the financial statements or tax returns. Under this method, deferred tax assets and liabilities are based on the differences between the financial statement and tax bases of assets and liabilities using enacted tax rates in effect for the year in which the differences are expected to reverse. Deferred tax assets are reduced by a valuation allowance to the extent management concludes it is more likely than not that the asset will not be realized. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled.

The standard addresses the determination of whether tax benefits claimed or expected to be claimed on a tax return should be recorded in the financial statements. Under FASB ASC 740, we may recognize the tax benefit from an uncertain tax position only if it is more likely than not that the tax position will be sustained on examination by the tax authorities, based on the technical merits of the position. The tax benefits recognized in the financial statements from such a position should be measured based on the largest benefit that has a greater than fifty percent likelihood of being realized upon ultimate settlement. FASB ASC 740 also provides guidance on de-recognition, classification, interest and penalties on income taxes, accounting in interim periods and requires increased disclosures. At the date of adoption, and as of June 30, 2013 and June 30, 2012, the Company does not have a liability for unrecognized tax uncertainties.

Our policy is to record interest and penalties on uncertain tax positions as income tax expense. As of and for the six month periods ended June 30, 2013 and June 30, 2012, we had no accrued interest or penalties related to uncertain tax positions.

### *Registration Payment Arrangement*

The Company accounted for registration rights agreements in accordance with ASC 825-20, "Registration Payment Arrangements." ASC 825-20 addresses an issuer's accounting for registration payment arrangements. This pronouncement specifies that the contingent obligation to make future payments or otherwise transfer consideration under a registration payment arrangement, whether issued as a separate agreement or included as a provision of a financial instrument, should be separately recognized and accounted for as a contingency in accordance with ASC 450-20 "Loss Contingencies".

### *Net loss per share*

Basic net loss per common share is computed by dividing net loss applicable to common stockholders by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the periods presented as required by FASB ASC 260, Earnings Per Share.

## Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements

In February 2013, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Updated (“ASU”) 2013-04 “Obligations Resulting from Joint and Several Liability Arrangements for Which the Amount at the Reporting Date is Fixed”). The guidance in this update is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2013 with early adoption permitted. The guidance in this update requires companies to measure obligations resulting from joint and several liability arrangements as the sum of the amount the entity has (a) contractually agreed to pay, and (b) any additional amounts that the entity expects to pay on behalf of its co-obligors. The Company early adopted this guidance in the second quarter of 2013.

Except as noted above, the Company has evaluated recent accounting pronouncements and their adoption has not had or is not expected to have a material impact on the Company’s financial position or operations.

### *Emerging Growth Company Critical Accounting Policy Disclosure*

We qualify as an “emerging growth company” under the 2012 JOBS Act. Section 107 of the JOBS Act provides that an emerging growth company can take advantage of the extended transition period provided in Section 7(a)(2)(B) of the Securities Act for complying with new or revised accounting standards. As an emerging growth company, we can delay the adoption of certain accounting standards until those standards would otherwise apply to private companies. We have elected to take advantage of the benefits of this extended transition period.

## Off Balance Sheet Transactions

None.

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

We are a smaller reporting company as defined by Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”) and are not required to provide the information under this item.

## Item 4. Controls and Procedures

### *Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures*

Management, with the participation of our Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer, carried out an evaluation of the effectiveness of our “disclosure controls and procedures” (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) as of the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (the “Evaluation Date”). Based upon that evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that as of the Evaluation Date, our disclosure controls are not effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed by us in reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act (i) is recorded, processed, summarized and reported, within the time periods specified in the SEC rules and forms and (ii) is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

### *Change In Internal Control Over Financial Reporting*

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the six months ended June 30, 2013 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

## PART II - OTHER INFORMATION

### Item 1. Legal Proceedings.

We have no material proceedings pending nor are we aware of any pending investigation or threatened litigation by any third party.

### Item 1A. Risk Factors.

There has been no material change to our Risk Factors from those presented in our Form 10-K for the transition period ended December 31, 2012.

### Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

In January 2013, we sold an aggregate of 272,221 shares of common stock at \$3.00 per share in certain private placement transactions, for an aggregate purchase price of \$816,664 in cash. The issuance of such shares of common stock was not registered under the Securities Act as such issuance was exempt from registration under Section 4(2) of the Securities Act and Regulation D promulgated thereunder.

On February 14, 2013, we closed a private placement of 3,045,929 shares of our common stock, at a purchase price of \$3.00 per share, or \$9,137,787 in the aggregate, and warrants (the "Warrants") to purchase up to an aggregate of 1,597,969 shares of common stock with an exercise price of \$3.60 per such share underlying any Warrant (the "Private Placement"). The issuance of the shares of common stock in the Private Placement was not registered under the Securities Act as such issuance was exempt from registration under Section 4(2) of the Securities Act and Regulation D promulgated thereunder.

On February 14, 2013, in connection with the closing of the Private Placement, the Company entered into a Registration Rights Agreement (the "Registration Rights Agreement") with the purchasers in the Private Placement (the "Purchasers"), which sets forth the rights of the Purchasers to have their shares of common stock purchased in the Private Placement and shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of the Warrants registered with the SEC for public resale.

Pursuant to the Registration Rights Agreement, the Company has agreed to file a Registration Statement on Form S-1 (the "Registration Statement") with the SEC within 30 days of the date of the Registration Rights Agreement registering the total number of shares of common stock purchased in the Private Placement and shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of the Warrants.

The Company agreed to use its reasonable efforts to have the Registration Statement declared effective within 60 days after the date of the Registration Rights Agreement (or, in the event of a "full review" by the SEC, within 90 days after the date of the Registration Rights Agreement). The Company also agreed to use reasonable efforts to maintain the effectiveness of the Registration Statement until all of the securities covered by the Registration Statement have or may be sold by investors under Rule 144 of the Securities Act, without volume or manner-of-sale restrictions.

The Registration Rights Agreement provided that in the event the Registration Statement has not been filed or declared effective within the prescribed time period or if the Company failed to maintain the effectiveness of the Registration Statement as required for specified time periods, the Company shall pay to the holders of registrable securities, on the date of each such event and on each monthly anniversary thereof until the applicable event is cured, partial liquidated damages equal to 2.0% of the aggregate purchase price paid by such Purchaser in the Private Placement, up to a maximum of 10.0% of such aggregate purchase price. If the Company fails to pay any partial liquidated damages pursuant to this Section in full within seven days after the date payable, the Company will pay interest thereon at a rate of 18% per annum (or such lesser maximum amount that is permitted to be paid by applicable law) to the Purchaser, accruing daily from the date such partial liquidated damages are due until such amounts, plus all such interest thereon, are paid in full.

The Company was required to have the Registration Statement on Form S-1 declared effective within 90 days after the offering closed. The closing date of the offering was February 14, 2013; therefore the 90th day was May 15, 2013. As of the date of this filing, the Registration Statement on Form S-1 has not been declared effective. The Company has evaluated the provisions of the Registration Rights Agreement and is obligated to pay liquidated damages beginning in the second quarter of the fiscal year ending December 31, 2013.

The foregoing description of the Registration Rights Agreement does not purport to describe all of the terms and provisions thereof and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Registration Rights Agreement, which is filed as Exhibit 10.2 to the Form 8-K filed by the Company on February 19, 2013 and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities.**

None.

**Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures.**

Not applicable.

**Item 5. Other Information.**

None.



## Item 6. Exhibits

### (a) Exhibits

31.1	Chief Executive Officer's Certification pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 *
31.2	Chief Financial Officer's Certification pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 *
32.1	Chief Executive Officer's Certification pursuant to Section 906 of Sarbanes Oxley Act of 2002 *
32.2	Chief Financial Officer's Certification pursuant to Section 906 of Sarbanes Oxley Act of 2002 *
101.INS	XBRL Instance Document **
101.SCH	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document **
101.CAL	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document **
101.DEF	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document **
101.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document **
101.PRE	Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document **

\*Filed herewith.

\*\*Pursuant to Rule 406T of Regulation S-T, these interactive data files are deemed furnished and not filed for purposes of Sections 11 and 12 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and otherwise are not subject to liability.

## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Date: September 13, 2013

### **RETROPHIN, INC.**

By: /s/ Martin Shkreli

Name: Martin Shkreli

Title: Chief Executive Officer

By: /s/ Marc Panoff

Name: Marc Panoff

Title: Chief Financial Officer

**CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER  
PURSUANT TO EXCHANGE ACT RULE 13a-14(a) OR 15d-14(a)**

I, Martin Shkreli, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Retrophin, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: September 13, 2013

/s/ Martin Shkreli

Martin Shkreli  
Chief Executive Officer  
(Principal Executive Officer)

**CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER  
PURSUANT TO EXCHANGE ACT RULE 13a-14(a) OR 15d-14(a)**

I, Marc Panoff, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Retrophin, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: September 13, 2013

/s/ Marc Panoff

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Marc Panoff  
Chief Financial Officer  
(Principal Financial Officer)

**CERTIFICATION OF  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER  
PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350  
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO  
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

In connection with the accompanying Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Retrophin, Inc. (the "Company"), for the period ending June 30, 2013 (the "Report"), the undersigned officer of the Company hereby certifies pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that, to such officer's knowledge:

1. The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
2. The information contained in the Report, fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: September 13, 2013

/s/ Martin Shkreli

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Date: September 13, 2013

/s/ Marc Panoff

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