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FORM 10-K

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

For fiscal year ended December 31, 2007

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THERMAGE, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of

68-0373593
(I.R.S. Employer

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incorporation or organization)

Identification No.)

25881 Industrial Boulevard,

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(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant s principal executive offices)

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of Each Class	Name of Each Exchange on Which Registered
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value per share	The NASDAQ Stock Market, Inc.
Securities Registered Pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None	

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

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act. Yes No

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 than 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 if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of the registrant s knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See definition of accelerated filer and large accelerated filer in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act (check one):

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

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

The aggregate market value of the registrant s common stock, held by non-affiliates of the registrant as of June 29, 2007 (which is the last business day of registrant s most recently completed second fiscal quarter) based upon the closing price of such stock on the NASDAQ Global Market on that date, was approximately \$84 million. For purposes of this disclosure, shares of common stock held by entities and individuals who own 5% or more of the outstanding common stock and shares of common stock held by each officer and director have been excluded in that such persons may be deemed to be affiliates as that term is defined under the Rules and Regulations of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. This determination of affiliate status is not necessarily conclusive.

The number of shares of Registrant s common stock issued and outstanding as of February 29, 2008 was 23,642,796.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Part III incorporates by reference certain information from the registrant s definitive proxy statement for the 2008 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

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PART I

**Item 1. *Business*
Overview**

We design, develop, manufacture and market medical devices for the non-invasive treatment of wrinkles. Our Thermage® procedure can be performed on any part of the body where treatment of wrinkles is desired. Our ThermaCool® system uses patented monopolar radiofrequency, or RF, energy to heat and shrink collagen and tighten dermis and subcutaneous tissue while simultaneously cooling and protecting the surface of the skin. The heating and shrinking of the collagen can cause a healing process to begin, which may further tighten the skin and reduce wrinkles over the next two to six months. The Thermage procedure is normally performed in a medical office setting as a single treatment that takes from 20 minutes to two hours, depending on the treatment area. The Thermage procedure provides patients seeking wrinkle reduction as a non-invasive alternative to surgical procedures that cost up to tens of thousands of dollars and can involve weeks of recovery. We offer, and are continuing to develop, a variety of ThermaTips designed to optimize the Thermage procedure for new conditions and different parts of the body.

We received FDA clearance and commercially launched our ThermaCool system in 2002. We market the ThermaCool system, including our single-use ThermaTips, in the United States to physicians primarily through a direct sales force and internationally in 83 countries through a network of distributors. Our sales force trains physicians and other medical professionals on the proper use of the ThermaCool system and maintains frequent interaction with these customers to promote repeat sales of our ThermaTips. As of December 31, 2007, we had an installed base of approximately 2,400 ThermaCool RF generators and had sold over 485,000 ThermaTips, which we estimate represent an approximately equal number of Thermage procedures performed.

The Structure of Skin and Connective Tissue

The skin is comprised of the epidermis, dermis and the hypodermis, or subcutaneous fat layer. The top two layers of skin, the epidermis and dermis, together are known as the cutis and on most areas of the body are approximately two to three millimeters thick. The dermis contains blood vessels, hair follicles and other skin components. The deepest layer of the skin, the hypodermis, contains 50% of the body's fat cells. The hypodermis also contains collagen strands, or fibrous septae, that connect the dermis to the underlying bone and muscle. Collagen has been shown to be a very flexible and stretchable protein with high tensile strength. With advancing age and exposure to damaging environmental factors, collagen deteriorates and loses its elasticity, resulting in the formation of rhytids, or a wrinkling of the epidermis. The following diagram illustrates the basic anatomy of the skin:

Electromagnetic radiation, specifically light and heat, applied to the different layers of the skin can have an effect on the skin's appearance. Epidermis exposure to sunlight can tan the skin, while overexposure can lead

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to burns or blisters. Devices, such as aesthetic lasers, have been designed to generate light waves to deliver heat through the epidermis, into the dermis, for removal of hair, vein treatment and other aesthetic applications. Gels, coolants and other means are used to protect the epidermis from burning during this process. Delivery of heat below the dermis, into the subcutaneous fat layer, has been accomplished using other forms of energy, including RF energy, for aesthetic effect.

The Market for Aesthetic Procedures to Treat the Skin

The American Society for Aesthetic Plastic Surgery reports that in 2007, total expenditures for aesthetic procedures were approximately \$13.0 billion. From 2000 to 2007 the total number of aesthetic procedures increased from approximately 5.7 million to over 11.7 million procedures, representing an 11% compounded annual growth rate. Non-invasive aesthetic procedures were primarily responsible for the overall increase, rising from approximately 4.3 million to approximately 9.6 million procedures over the same period, representing a 12% compounded annual growth rate. We believe there are several factors contributing to the rapid growth of non-invasive aesthetic procedures, including:

Aging of the U.S. Population. The baby boomer demographic segment, defined by the U.S. Census as those Americans born between 1946 and 1964, represented nearly 30% of the U.S. population in 2006. Baby boomers control approximately \$2 trillion in spending power and 50% of all discretionary income. The size and wealth of this aging segment and its desire to retain a youthful appearance have driven the growth for aesthetic procedures.

Emergence of Non-Traditional Practitioners. The traditional providers of aesthetic procedures include dermatologists and plastic surgeons. In 2007, there were approximately 17,000 physicians within the specialties of dermatology and plastic surgery according to the American Board of Medical Specialties. Manufacturers of aesthetic systems have placed an increasingly important focus on sales to other physician groups including approximately 72,000 family practitioners, 40,000 obstetricians and gynecologists, and 39,000 general surgeons. Additionally, physician directed medi-spas and non-medical day spas have entered the aesthetics market.

Broader Range of and Accessibility to Safe and Effective Treatments. Technological developments have made non-invasive treatment alternatives increasingly safe and effective. These technological developments have also reduced the required treatment and recovery time from invasive surgical procedures, which in turn have led to greater patient demand. These factors, along with the easy-to-use and low-cost nature of these products, have attracted both traditional and non-traditional practitioners to aesthetic procedures.

Market Shift Towards Less Invasive Procedures. Market trends confirm that patients are moving away from invasive procedures towards minimally-invasive or non-invasive treatments. Notably, the American Society for Aesthetic Plastic Surgery reports that from 2000 to 2007 the total number of laser skin resurfacing procedures increased from approximately 117,000 to 510,000 procedures, representing a 23% compounded annual growth rate, and the total number of Botox injection procedures increased from 1.1 million to 2.8 million injections over the same period, representing a 14% compounded annual growth rate. Patients are seeking treatment for wrinkles in larger numbers. For example, skin tightening, which represents the fastest growing segment of the aesthetic laser market, is projected to grow at a 33% compounded annual rate over the next four years, according to the Millennium Research Group.

Changing Practitioner Economics. Managed care and government payor reimbursement restrictions in the United States, and similar payment-related constraints outside the United States, are motivating practitioners to establish or expand their elective aesthetic practices with procedures that are paid for directly by patients. We expect this trend to continue as physicians look for ways to expand their practices.

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Increasing Acceptance of Aesthetic Procedures. Mass-market television shows like *Extreme Makeover* and *The Swan* reflect the mainstream acceptance of aesthetic procedures. Additionally, features in many popular television and print media have the effect of widely advertising the aesthetic procedures undertaken by celebrities, enhancing the glamour associated with and demand for self-improving treatments.

Similar market trends also exist outside the United States, where demand for non-invasive aesthetic procedures has also experienced strong growth. Manufacturers of non-invasive aesthetic devices typically derive one-third to one-half of their revenue from international sales.

Aesthetic Procedures for Skin and Their Limitations

Many medical treatments are available to treat wrinkles, rejuvenate the skin and give a patient a more youthful appearance. The most popular treatments include invasive surgical procedures, minimally-invasive needle injections and non-invasive energy-based procedures.

Surgical Procedures

Of the various aesthetic alternatives for reducing wrinkles and rejuvenating appearance, invasive surgical procedures, such as cosmetic eyelid surgery, tummy tucks and facelifts, can create the most pronounced and long-lasting changes in appearance. They are performed by plastic surgeons with the patient under anesthesia.

Market Data. Approximately 241,000 eyelid procedures, 185,000 tummy tucks and 138,000 facelifts were performed in the United States in 2007, according to the American Society for Aesthetic Plastic Surgery.

Limitations. Compared to alternative treatments, invasive surgical procedures are expensive, costing thousands of dollars, and can involve weeks of post-surgical recovery and time away from work. They carry risk of hematoma, or accumulation of blood under the skin that may require removal, infection and adverse reactions to anesthesia.

Injections

Popular alternatives for temporarily improving appearance and reducing wrinkles include Botox and soft tissue fillers, such as Restylane, that are injected into the skin. These injections are typically administered by dermatologists at a cost of several hundred dollars. In most instances, they involve little or no restricted recovery time for the patients.

Market Data. Approximately 2.8 million Botox and 1.7 million soft tissue filler injections were administered in 2007, according to the American Society for Aesthetic Plastic Surgery.

Limitations. The effects of these procedures are temporary and require repeat treatment, with Botox lasting from three to four months and injectable fillers typically lasting from three to six months.

Laser Treatments

Lasers and other light-based devices are used to perform skin rejuvenation, to temporarily reduce wrinkles and to perform other aesthetic procedures, such as hair removal and vein treatment. Light-based skin

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rejuvenation, or resurfacing, procedures can be either ablative or non-ablative. Ablative treatments, also known as laser peels, intentionally burn away the epidermis to heat the dermis and to stimulate collagen growth. Non-ablative rejuvenation treatments typically use less energy and employ gels or other substances in order to insulate the epidermis from damage during the treatment. Because they are less intense than ablative lasers, non-ablative procedures typically involve little downtime or recovery.

Market Data. According to the American Society for Aesthetic Plastic Surgery, there were over 510,000 laser skin resurfacing procedures performed in 2007 and 85% of these treatments were non-ablative.

Limitations. Ablative treatments, or laser peels, like surgery, are performed under anesthesia and can involve weeks of post-surgical recovery and time away from work. Non-ablative light-based procedures are often effective in hair removal and other procedures targeting the epidermis. However, the nature of light makes it challenging to reach the depth of the subcutaneous fat layer. Penetration of light, and consequently the ability to produce heat, is physically limited by the wavelength of the light, the light's natural tendency to scatter within tissue and the absorption of this energy by specific chromophores within the body, such as water, blood and pigmentation. Non-ablative wrinkle treatments typically require multiple sessions, from four to six treatments spread two to four weeks apart per treatment.

These widely-adopted treatment options for wrinkle reduction fall generally into one of two categories: either a single invasive procedure involving significant recovery time, but with a long-lasting, pronounced effect; or a procedure that is either minimally-invasive or non-invasive involving minimal recovery time, but requiring frequent repeat treatments for a modest effect. We believe that the ideal treatment option falls between these two extremes, providing lasting, noticeable effect from a single procedure that involves little or no downtime.

The Thermage Solution

We believe that our Thermage procedure provides a compelling treatment alternative to treat wrinkles that fills a need not met by currently available surgical procedures and minimally and non-invasive treatments. Our ThermaCool system consists of an RF generator with cooling capability through the delivery of a coolant to protect the outer layer of the skin from over-heating and a handpiece that, in conjunction with a single-use ThermaTip, regulates epidermis cooling and monitors treatment data. Our system also includes a variety of single-use ThermaTips that attach to the handpiece and are selected by physicians based on the procedure to be performed and the size of the area to be treated. The Thermage procedure is typically performed in a medical office setting by, or under the supervision of, trained and qualified physicians, including not only plastic surgeons and dermatologists, but also physicians who do not traditionally perform cosmetic procedures, such as general and family practitioners, obstetricians and gynecologists, and general and vascular surgeons.

Benefits of the Thermage Solution

Our solution provides a number of benefits for physicians and patients:

Controlled Heating of Collagen. Because RF energy delivery depends on tissue resistance and not on optical light absorption, it can penetrate to a much greater depth than conventional lasers. Delivery of heat into the subcutaneous fat layer of the skin shrinks and shortens collagen strands. Over time, new collagen strands may grow and add strength and reduce the prominence of folds, lines and other wrinkles. Our monopolar RF heating approach delivers energy into the subcutaneous fat layer of the skin where an electrical current can travel along the collagen fibrous septae and cause the heating and contraction of these collagen strands in order to reduce wrinkles. Our own clinical experience demonstrates, and published independent, along with affiliated,

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scientific data corroborates, the Thermage procedure's tissue-tightening effect. This body of data provides potential physician customers with objective evidence that they can evaluate when considering a purchase of our system.

Non-Invasive, Non-Ablative Alternative to Surgery. The Thermage procedure is non-invasive, involving no surgery or injections, and offers an alternative to surgery at a lower price with little or no downtime from patients' normal routines. It is also a non-ablative procedure that causes minimal temporary surface tissue damage. If desired, the Thermage procedure can be used in a complementary fashion in conjunction with invasive therapies such as liposuction, facelift and thread implants, as well as injectable fillers and other minimally-invasive and non-invasive aesthetic procedures.

Single Procedure Treatment. The Thermage procedure is normally performed in a medical office setting as a single treatment that takes from 20 minutes to two hours, depending on the treatment area. Studies have shown clinical effect from a Thermage procedure that is both immediate and that can improve over a measurement period of six months following treatment. In addition, Thermage procedures have been used effectively on all skin types and tones and on various areas of the body where wrinkle reduction is desired.

Compelling Physician Economics. We believe physicians are compensated more per hour by performing Thermage treatments than other non-invasive aesthetic device treatments. The ThermaCool system currently requires lower capital costs than competing laser and RF systems, while average procedure fees for Thermage treatments generally exceed our competitors. We continue to design new ThermaTips to address new applications without requiring additional equipment purchase.

Ease of Use. The ThermaCool system incorporates a straightforward user interface that allows a trained physician to easily perform procedures across various parts of the body. Different treatment sites may use different tips, each of which is pre-customized by size, pulse counts, pulse durations and heating profile to the intended procedure. The system provides real-time feedback and can be adjusted during the procedure as needed. The handpiece is designed with a small profile for accurate placement during treatment, comfort and ease of use.

Our Technology

Our ThermaCool system uses our patented method of delivering monopolar RF energy for heating collagen.

Monopolar Radiofrequency. Monopolar RF delivery uses two electrodes, with one active electrode being held in the device handpiece by the physician and the second, a passive return electrode, typically attached to the patient's back. Monopolar delivery allows for precise administration of energy because the electrical current is concentrated where the active electrode touches the body and disperses quickly as it travels towards the return electrode. The monopolar RF process is distinct from bipolar RF-based technology, which is superficial, relying on current passing through tissue located between two probes placed close together on the surface of the skin. We believe that monopolar technology delivers energy effectively to a greater tissue depth than bipolar technology.

The ThermaTip Capacitive Coupling Mechanism of Action for Collagen Heating. The single-use ThermaTip device contains our patented technology that uses monopolar RF energy as a controlled tissue heating source through the use of a non-conducting material, known as a dielectric. Capacitive coupling is the use of the dielectric to create an electric field in the area

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where our ThermaTip touches the body. The electric field induces a current within the surrounding tissue, resulting in volumetric heating of the tissue due to the tissue's natural resistance to electrical current flow. The heating depth is based upon the size and geometry of the ThermaTip and can be controlled from a few hundred microns to several millimeters in depth, depending upon the particular ThermaTip selected for various treatment areas. Collagen is a more efficient conductor of electricity than fat tissue and therefore acts as a pathway for the electric current. This process results in preferential heating of the fibrous septae, the strands of collagen fibers that permeate the dermis and hypodermis and connect skin to the underlying bone and muscle. Delivery of heat to the fibrous septae located in deeper layers of the skin shrinks and shortens them, resulting in tightening of the dermis and subcutaneous tissue. Over time, new collagen strands may grow as part of the body's natural healing process. These new strands may add strength and produce additional skin tightening over the next two to six months. This tightening of the skin has the ability to reduce the prominence of folds, lines and other deep wrinkles. To achieve this deep heating with simultaneous surface cooling, the surface of the ThermaTip transmits RF energy to the skin while serving as a dynamic contact cooling membrane for the cryogen spray. The contact membrane continually monitors skin surface temperature to help protect the epidermis.

Comfort and Safety. Since the initial launch of our ThermaCool system in 2002, we have monitored and revised our procedure guidelines to safely and effectively deliver RF energy and cryogen cooling to the treatment site with minimal discomfort to the patient. An energy-based aesthetic treatment, if not used according to the manufacturer's protocol, has the potential to cause patient discomfort, irritation or surface tissue burning. We have designed our ThermaCool system to minimize the risk of these types of occurrences through stringent built-in safety precautions in addition to extensive user training. Our system regulates a combination of inputs to precisely and uniformly distribute RF energy over the treatment site, including temperature and pressure sensors at each corner of the ThermaTip and pre-programmed power levels and times for specific treatments. In April 2004, we introduced new procedure guidelines that we believe improved patient comfort.

Our ThermaCool System

Our ThermaCool system includes three major components: the RF generator, the reusable handpiece and a single-use ThermaTip, as well as several consumable accessories. Physicians attach a single-use ThermaTip to the handpiece, which is connected to the ThermaCool RF generator. The ThermaCool generator authenticates the ThermaTip device and programs the ThermaCool system for the desired treatment without physician intervention.

Radiofrequency Generator. The ThermaCool RF generator produces a six-megahertz signal and is simple and efficient to operate. Controls are within easy reach, and important user information is clearly displayed on the built-in display, including energy delivered, tissue impedance, duration and feedback on procedure technique. Cooling is achieved in conjunction with the generator to deliver a coolant that cools and helps to protect the epidermal surface during a Thermage procedure. As of December 31, 2007, we had an installed base of approximately 2,400 ThermaCool RF generators.

Handpiece. The reusable handpiece holds the ThermaTip in place for the treatment and processes information about skin temperature and contact, treatment force against the skin, cooling system function and other important data. A precision control valve within the handpiece meters the delivery of cryogen, which cools and protects the epidermal surface.

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ThermaTip. The ThermaTip device is available in four sizes with several configurations of pulse counts, pulse durations and two heating profiles for efficient implementation of treatment guidelines, based on the size and nature of the treatment area. Physicians currently can order pre-sterilized ThermaTips in sizes of 0.25 cm², 1.0 cm², 1.5 cm² and 3.0 cm². Each ThermaTip contains a proprietary internal EPROM, or programmable memory chip, which stores treatment parameters and safety limits in order to optimize performance and safety in the selected treatment. To enhance procedural safety, we have also programmed the EPROM contained in ThermaTips for single-use treatments. Using the same ThermaTip to perform multiple treatments could result in injury, as a result of the eventual breakdown of the ThermaTip's electrode dielectric membrane. Therefore, the EPROM ensures that the ThermaTip is not reused following a particular procedure. Since the introduction of our ThermaCool system in 2002 and through December 31, 2007, we had sold over 485,000 ThermaTips, which we estimate reflect an approximately equal number of Thermage procedures performed.

Our system also includes other consumable components in addition to ThermaTips. The system houses a canister of coolant that can be used for an average of three to six procedures, depending on the total skin surface area treated and the ThermaTip device used. Each patient procedure also requires a return pad, which is typically adhered to the patient's lower back to allow a path of travel for the RF current through the body and back to the generator. We also sell proprietary coupling fluid, an electrically conductive viscous liquid that helps ensure electrical and thermal contact with the ThermaTip device.

In February 2007, we introduced and began shipment of the ThermaCool® NXT system. The ThermaCool NXT has been redesigned to save time, reduce procedure cost, simplify the treatment experience and improve clinician comfort as compared to our older generation system. Advances to the technology include a streamlined operating system which speeds treatment times; a lighter, more ergonomic handpiece with integrated controls; and a sleek new design with a smaller footprint that takes up 50 percent less floor space than its predecessor.

Our Thermage Procedure

In order to perform our Thermage procedure, the physician selects a single-use ThermaTip based on the procedure to be performed and the size of the area to be treated, and the depth of cooling and heating desired for the treatment. We currently offer four treatment tip sizes with a combination of pulse counts, pulse durations and heating profiles for a variety of uses:

Body by Thermage, which involves the use of a larger tip, such as the 3.0 cm² tip, designed for the treatment of large areas; Body by Thermage includes the Body Shape procedure, designed for more of a contouring effect, and the Cellulite procedure, designed for the temporary improvement in the appearance of cellulite;

Eyes by Thermage, which involves the use of a small, 0.25 cm² tip, designed for the treatment of eyelids;

Face by Thermage, which involves the use of 3.0 cm² STC or TC, 1.5 cm² or 1.0 cm² tip sizes, designed for the treatment of the face and neck;

Hands by Thermage, which involves the use of 1.5 cm² tip size, designed for the treatment of the hands; and

Lips by Thermage, which involves the use of 1.5 cm² tip size, designed for the treatment of the upper lip.

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After choosing the tip and attaching it to the handpiece, the physician marks the treatment area with a temporary grid pattern tattoo, corresponding to the size of the ThermaTip, which is easily wiped away post-procedure. The return pad is then adhered to the patient's lower back to allow a path of travel for the RF current back to the generator. After the application of a conductive fluid, each square of the grid is treated.

For each grid square, the physician places the tip against the patient's skin and depresses the handpiece button. The handpiece processes information from the tip about skin temperature and contact, treatment force against the skin, cooling system function and other important data. The information from the handpiece is sent to the console in order to generate the proper RF signal. A precision control valve within the handpiece also regulates the delivery of cryogen, which cools and protects the skin's surface. The ThermaTip device transmits RF energy to the skin while serving as a contact cooling membrane for the cryogen spray. Our system monitors a combination of inputs, such as temperatures, power levels and delivery duration, to precisely and safely control the RF energy and cooling delivery to each treatment site.

Patients feel alternating sensations of cold and heat during the procedure and some physicians elect to use a topical anesthetic or an oral pain medication. Procedure times vary with the size of the treatment area; a procedure for a full face typically requires multiple passes and takes approximately 45 minutes. Patients may notice immediate improvement in the appearance of wrinkles and are typically able to resume normal activities immediately after having the procedure. Over the subsequent two to six months, patients may experience further reduction of wrinkles at the site of the treated skin as new collagen strands grow and reinforce the strands shrunk by the treatment.

As with other non-invasive energy-based devices, the duration and the extent of beneficial effect of the Thermage procedure varies from patient-to-patient and can be influenced by a number of factors, including the area of the body being treated, the age, skin laxity and skin condition of the patient and operator technique.

Thermage patients may experience temporary swelling and reddening of the skin and, in rare instances, patients may experience burns, blisters, skin discoloration or skin depressions. Burns and blisters may occur either as a result of improper use of the device or as a result of a breakdown in the dielectric material within the ThermaTip.

Prior to April 2004, we trained physicians to follow a procedure protocol, or treatment guidelines, of fewer energy pulses on the skin at higher energy levels. This initial protocol, along with instances of poor operator technique, resulted in reported patient comfort challenges. We modified our procedure protocol in April 2004, and we retrained and recertified our physician customers on the new procedure protocol. The new procedure protocol involves lower energy levels with an increased number of pulses at the treatment site. We believe these modifications have generally increased patient comfort.

Our clinical studies of the Thermage procedure have been performed primarily on the face, using a single treatment. These studies included patients that experienced a range in effect from no improvement to significant improvement. Most experienced modest improvement from a single treatment. When comparing results of a single treatment with results of multiple treatments over time, we have not found a material difference between the two. Our studies typically follow patients over six months, though we have studied patients for up to a year. Generally, results have found improvement in the effect of the treatment increasing up to six months following treatment. Our study results going out one year indicate that if a patient has improvement at six months, the patient will likely have lasting improvement at 12 months.

Our Customers

To date, we have focused our attention on physician customers who have a demonstrated commitment to building a high-volume, non-invasive, aesthetic skin-tightening business within their practice. We have found physicians with an active aesthetics practice tend to perform more Thermage procedures after purchasing our machine than physicians who are new to aesthetic medicine. We encourage our sales force to work closely with

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our target physician customers to accelerate growth in their aesthetics practices, which, in turn, generates more ThermaTip sales for our company. As a broader group of physicians are adding non-invasive aesthetic procedures to their practices, our target physician base is expanding to include not only plastic surgeons and dermatologists, but also obstetricians, gynecologists and general practitioners. Plastic surgeons and dermatologists currently represent the majority of our existing customers. Many of these physicians are seeking a less expensive alternative to the invasive procedures that they offer in order to augment their customer base and establish a relationship with those patients that do not desire, or cannot afford, an invasive procedure.

Business Strategy

Our goal is to become a leading provider of non-ablative medical devices to the aesthetics market by:

Driving Increased ThermaTip Usage. Unlike the capital equipment model of the traditional laser business, because of the disposable nature of our ThermaTips, we maintain an active, continuous relationship with our customer base. We work collaboratively with our customer base to increase ThermaTip usage by expanding clinical applications and augmenting and facilitating the marketing efforts of our physician customers. We believe that our customers' interests are closely aligned with our own, and we monitor the market to foster continued procedure growth for our customers and ThermaTip sales for us. With innovative marketing programs, such as our PatientBuilder.com resource, our sales force works with physician customers to develop a profitable Thermage procedure practice.

Developing New Applications and Treatment Tips. We intend to expand our line of ThermaTips for additional applications and conditions. In October 2006 we received FDA clearance to market our ThermaCool system for the temporary improvement in the appearance of cellulite. We commercially launched a product in the first quarter of 2008. We are in the process of seeking, and intend to continue to seek, clearances from the FDA to strengthen our marketing efforts with regard to specific areas of the body, such as arms, the abdomen, and other locations on the body where wrinkle reduction or body shaping is desired, as well as clearances for larger treatment tip sizes.

Investing in Intellectual Property and Patent Protection. We will continue to invest in expanding our intellectual property portfolio in the aesthetics market, and we intend to file for additional patents to strengthen our intellectual property rights. We believe that our intellectual property rights protect our position as the exclusive provider of wrinkle treatment using monopolar RF technology in the United States. Because our technology is RF-based and not light-based, we believe we are less exposed to the litigation, licenses and royalties that have been common in the aesthetic laser market. In June 2005, we settled a lawsuit with Syneron, which admitted the validity of six of our patents. As of December 31, 2007, we had 32 issued U.S. patents primarily covering our ThermaCool system and methods of use, the earliest of which will not expire until 2015, 16 pending U.S. patent applications, 19 issued foreign patents and 35 pending foreign patent applications, some of which foreign applications preserve an opportunity to pursue patent rights in multiple countries.

Broadening our Physician Customer Base. We intend to continue to penetrate the traditional aesthetic practitioner specialties, which include dermatologists and plastic surgeons. We are also seeking to selectively expand our direct sales efforts in non-core physician specialties and physician-directed medi-spas with track records of safe and successful aesthetic treatments.

Expanding our International Presence. We believe the size of the international market is comparable to the U.S. market, and we are focused on increasing our market penetration overseas and building global brand-recognition. In 2007, approximately 48% of our revenue originated outside of the United States. We intend to add distributors and sales support staff to increase sales and strengthen physician relationships in international markets.

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Seeking Growth Opportunities via Complementary Products, Technologies or Businesses. We intend to pursue opportunities to expand our core business by identifying opportunities to offer complementary products for the aesthetics market.

Sales and Marketing

We sell our ThermaCool system to physicians in the United States primarily through a direct sales force of trained sales consultants. As of December 31, 2007, we had a 46-person U.S. direct sales force, including a vice-president, four regional sales directors, a director of sales training and development, a director of professional relations and three clinical specialists. In the fourth quarter of 2007, we began to expand and realign our U.S. sales organization into two groups, with about two-thirds of the sales force focusing on existing customers on sales of treatment tips, upgrades and training, and the remainder focusing on securing and broaden new customer base. Outside of the United States, we sell our ThermaCool system to physicians in 83 countries through 35 independent distributors.

United States Sales

Our strategy to increase sales in the United States is to:

remove obstacles for purchase, including treatment discomfort, time of treatment and cost

continue to position the Thermage procedure as an attractive alternative to other aesthetic treatments for wrinkle reduction;

work closely with our physician customers to increase product usage and enhance the marketing of Thermage procedures in their practices;

leverage direct-to-consumer marketing campaigns; and

expand our sales efforts to reach physicians outside of the traditional specialties for aesthetic procedures.

Further, we actively engage in promotional opportunities through participation in industry tradeshows, clinical workshops and company-sponsored conferences with expert panelists, as well as through trade journals, brochures and our website. We actively seek opportunities to obtain positive media exposure, have engaged in direct-to-consumer marketing, and have been highlighted on such national broadcasts as *Oprah*, *Good Morning America*, and *E! Live from the Red Carpet*, as well as numerous local news programs.

Consultative Sales Process. Through our consultative sales process, we form strong relationships with our customers through frequent interactions. Beyond performing initial system installation and on-site training and certification, which can occur within two weeks of a physician's purchase decision, our sales consultants provide consultation to physicians on how to integrate our system into their practices and market procedures to their patients. Our sales consultants' compensation structure emphasizes treatment tip sales and customer service over capital equipment sales, although our sales force also has incentives to generate new accounts through system sales. We require our sales consultants to invest substantial time in training and servicing our physician customers, and therefore we discourage sales to physicians who do not show the potential to drive aesthetic procedure volume.

Physician Training and Certification. We provide comprehensive training and education to each physician before we deliver the ThermaCool system. We require this initial training to assist physicians in safely and effectively performing the Thermage procedure. The majority of physicians operating our installed base of ThermaCool systems have pursued and met the advanced training criteria that we establish. To signify their achievement, we award a Certificate

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of Training to these physicians and identify them within the physician locator on our website with a small certificate icon next to their names. We do not identify physicians within our physician locator unless they have met these training requirements.

PatientBuilder.com. To enhance the consultative sales process, we provide access to easily implemented marketing tools and materials through an exclusive arrangement with PatientBuilder.com. Accessed through our website, PatientBuilder.com enables physicians to create professional marketing campaigns for their own Thermage services, while protecting our brand. Using PatientBuilder.com, physicians can create direct mail pieces and a selective mailing list based on targeted patient demographics in their local areas, print ads for magazines and newspapers, printed brochures and an individually tailored website. We have also produced television commercials that physicians can use in the event that they would like to purchase local airtime.

Direct-to-Consumer Marketing. In 2005, we launched direct-to-consumer, or DTC, marketing campaigns designed to build brand awareness and recognition, demonstrate our commitment to supporting our physician customers and distributors and increase demand for Thermage procedures. Currently, our DTC marketing efforts are focused primarily on paid Internet search results, through search engines such as Google and Yahoo!, and banner ads placed strategically on websites targeting people who may be seeking aesthetic procedures. In 2007, we also ran a print insert in a quarterly consumer publication, *New Beauty*, targeted to women interested in cosmetic procedures. Our consumer website at www.thermage-info.com is targeted to consumers interested in learning more about Thermage and includes information on our ThermaCool system, the underlying technology and potential treatment outcomes, as well as short films and listings of local physicians who offer Thermage procedures. We have observed our website traffic increase significantly following national television appearances and their periodic re-broadcasts and following our DTC efforts.

Expansion into Non-Traditional Specialties. The majority of our systems sales to date in the United States have been made to dermatologists and plastic surgeons. These physicians constitute the traditional specialties focused on aesthetic procedures. However, by broadening our direct sales efforts to selectively target non-traditional practitioners within the gynecology, primary care, ophthalmology and ear, nose and throat specialties whose practices may be complemented by our aesthetic procedures we hope to increase sales of our systems and consumable products. Also, we hope to generate additional revenue by increasing our penetration into the growing medi-spa market, which is comprised of physicians offering aesthetic treatments in a spa setting.

International Sales

As of December 31, 2007, we had an international sales team of 13 employees supporting 35 independent distributors who market our ThermaCool system in 83 countries. We require our distributors to provide customer training, to invest in equipment and marketing and to attend certain exhibitions and industry meetings. The percentage of our revenue from customers located outside the United States was approximately 48%, 48% and 44% in fiscal 2007, 2006 and 2005, respectively.

Our strategy to grow sales outside the United States is to:

increase penetration of our ThermaCool system in international markets in which our ThermaCool system is currently sold;

expand into attractive new international markets by identifying and training qualified distributors; and

expand our marketing efforts into select international markets.

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Competition

Our industry is characterized by intense competition and rapid innovation. For example, laser devices have advanced rapidly over the past decade, with a variety of technologies available for a wide range of applications. Most recently, other types of devices have been developed that are competitive in the area of wrinkle reduction, such as those based upon filtered light, bipolar RF energy and ultrasound. We compete directly against laser and other energy-delivery devices offered by public companies, including Candela, Cutera, Cynosure, Lumenis, Palomar Medical Technologies and Syneron, as well as by many private companies. Our ThermoCool system also competes with other wrinkle reduction solutions, including Botox and collagen injections, soft tissue fillers, chemical peels, microdermabrasion and liposuction, as well as cosmetic surgical procedures such as face lifts, blepharoplasty and abdominoplasty. Additionally, less invasive surgical solutions, such as implanted sutures, have been developed that may offer a compelling alternative to facelifts.

Competition among providers of medical devices and other treatments for the aesthetics market is characterized by extensive research efforts and rapid technological progress. While we attempt to protect our ThermoCool system through patents and other intellectual property rights, there are few barriers to entry that would prevent new entrants or existing competitors from developing products that would compete directly with ours. In addition, we have encountered and expect to continue to encounter physicians who, due to relationships with our competitors or the nature of their practice, will not purchase our ThermoCool system.

Research and Development

Our research and development efforts currently focus on:

designing new treatment tips and devices optimally designed for new clinical applications, such as skin resurfacing and body contouring;

increasing security against the use of devices designed to enable re-use of treatment tips, resulting in procedure efficacy and safety concerns;

developing a new cooling system that integrates a substitute for hydrofluorocarbon, to maintain compliance with changes in international environmental regulations; and

developing devices and technology for skin diagnostics, treatment monitoring and patient comfort management.

As of December 31, 2007, we had a staff of 17 technical professionals and research staff focused on product development projects. Our product development efforts include conducting in-house bench and animal testing for the development and evaluation of products and providing support to scientific and clinical studies conducted by investigators and institutions studying the use of our technologies. We have used transmission electron microscopy on biopsied tissue samples to corroborate that our products induce the denaturing of collagen that leads to immediate tissue tightening. We have developed histology techniques to investigate the depth of heat in tissue and a wound healing process that we believe is responsible for long-term improvement and tightening of tissue. We have also created three-dimensional computer models to study tissue heating with our products. In addition, we have also formed strategic relationships with outside contractors for assistance on specialized projects, and we work closely with experts in the medical community to supplement our internal research and development resources. Research and development expenses for 2007, 2006 and 2005 were \$9.1 million, \$9.6 million and \$8.9 million, respectively. In the future, we expect to pursue further research and development initiatives to improve and extend our technological capabilities and to foster an environment of innovation and quality.

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Patents and Proprietary Technology

We rely on a combination of patent, copyright, trademark and trade secret laws and confidentiality and invention assignment agreements to protect our intellectual property rights. As of December 31, 2007, we had 32 issued U.S. patents primarily covering our ThermaCool TC system and methods of use, the earliest of which expire in 2015; 16 pending U.S. patent applications, 19 issued foreign patents and 35 pending foreign patent applications, some of which foreign applications preserve an opportunity to pursue patent rights in multiple countries. We intend to file for additional patents to strengthen our intellectual property rights.

In addition to the use of RF-based energy, our patent portfolio covers use of other non-ablative energy modalities, including, but not limited to, microwaves, ultrasound and optical wavelengths. Our patent applications may not result in issued patents, and we cannot assure you that any patents that issue will protect our intellectual property rights. Third parties may challenge any patents issued to us as invalid, may independently develop similar or competing technology or may design around any of our patents. We cannot be certain that the steps we have taken will prevent the misappropriation of our intellectual property, particularly in foreign countries where the laws may not protect our proprietary rights in these foreign countries as fully as in the United States.

As a result of a settlement of litigation reached in June 2005, Syneron and we have granted each other a non-exclusive paid-up license under the patents asserted in the lawsuit and related patents under the parties' control. We excluded from this license any rights to utilize monopolar RF technologies and capacitive electrical coupling, which we believe in combination allow the Thermage procedure to create a reverse thermal gradient and deep, near uniform, volumetric heating to achieve tissue tightening effects. Syneron excluded from its license any patents related to its proprietary Electro-Optical Synergy technology. Both parties admitted the validity of all patents in the litigation, but neither admitted any wrongdoing or liability.

We advised Alma Lasers Ltd. and Alma Lasers, Inc (together Alma) as early as February 2006 that its Accent product infringed numerous Thermage patents. A number of these patents are the same as those at issue in our 2004 litigation against Syneron, which was settled in 2005 with Syneron acknowledging the validity of these patents in a paid license. On April 26, 2007 Alma filed a complaint in a federal court in Delaware seeking a declaratory judgment of non-infringement and invalidity of nine of Thermage's U.S. patents. On June 20, 2007, we filed an answer to this complaint and counterclaims, alleging that Alma infringed one or more claims of ten of Thermage's U.S. patents. Our counterclaim was subsequently amended on December 10, 2007 to include a claim of infringement of an eleventh Thermage patent. Among other things, our counterclaim alleges that both Alma's Harmony and Accent^{XL} systems infringe our patents. In addition to damages and attorney fees, we have asked the court to enjoin Alma from engaging in further infringement. Alma has responded to all our counterclaims by denying infringement and alleging invalidity of all eleven U.S. patents asserted by us. The litigation is active and discovery is ongoing.

In addition, we have notified certain competitors of our belief that they may be infringing or may need a license under one or more of our issued patents. These notices may result in other patent litigation in the future. Patent litigation is very expensive and could divert management's attention from our core business. Patent litigation could also result in our patents being held invalid or narrowly construed. We have in the past and may in the future offer certain of our intellectual property rights for license to our competitors. As of December 31, 2007, we have not entered into any such licenses with our competitors other than our license with Syneron. We granted Edward Knowlton, one of our founders and inventor of our original patents, an exclusive license under those original patents and related patents for certain non-cosmetic applications.

Thermage, ThermaCool and ThermaCool TC are registered trademarks in the United States and several foreign countries. As of December 31, 2007, we have 57 pending and registered trademark filings worldwide, some of which apply to multiple countries, providing coverage in 49 countries. We intend to file for additional trademarks to strengthen our trademark rights, but we cannot be certain that our trademark applications will issue or that our trademarks will be enforceable.

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All employees and technical consultants are required to execute confidentiality agreements in connection with their employment and consulting relationships with us. We also require them to agree to disclose and assign to us all inventions conceived or made in connection with the employment or consulting relationship. We cannot provide any assurance that employees and consultants will abide by the confidentiality or invention assignment terms of their agreements. Despite measures taken to protect our intellectual property, unauthorized parties may copy aspects of our products or obtain and use information that we regard as proprietary.

Clinical Research

Our clinical studies of the Thermage procedure have been performed primarily on the face, using a single treatment, to demonstrate safety and effectiveness. We have conducted a split face study that demonstrated the comparability of our 3.0 cm² and 1.5 cm² treatment tips. Our study results have shown the Thermage procedure to have a low incidence of injury. The most frequent of these injuries consists of temporary burns related to overheating the skin. Generally, study results of effectiveness demonstrate that the majority of patients are satisfied with their treatment results. Our studies typically follow patients over six months, though we have studied patients for up to a year. Generally, results have found improvement in the effect of the treatment increasing up to six months following treatment. Our study results going out one year indicate that results of the procedure are not temporary. If a patient has improvement at six months, the patient will likely have lasting improvement at 12 months. Additionally, when comparing results of a single treatment with results of multiple treatments over time, we have not found a material difference between the two.

Our studies consistently include patients that experience a range in effect from no improvement to significant improvement. We believe that our study results generally demonstrate that most patients will obtain modest wrinkle reduction from a single treatment. We typically use multiple approaches to assessing improvement in a patient. The most common approaches are subjective before and after evaluations by the treated patient and by the treating physician. We have also used instruments such as the BTC-2000, which is a device that measures the physical properties of the skin by means of vacuum pressure that pulls an area of skin into a chamber, where lasers are used to measure how far the skin is pulled in, at what rate, and how quickly the skin snaps back. We have also used a widely accepted method known as the Fitzpatrick's Wrinkle Assessment Scale to measure improvement.

As of December 31, 2007, our clinical research department had a staff of five that included clinical research associates and imaging specialists.

As part of our clinical research, we have studied and continue to study the interaction of RF energy and tissue, both to understand the mechanism of action of the Thermage procedure and to guide our efforts to develop new products and treatments. Determining the effectiveness of an aesthetic treatment is inherently a subjective evaluation. When performing our clinical research and studies, we attempt to utilize the most compelling measures we can in order to provide compelling evidence of efficacy.

As of December 31, 2007, there were over 45 published peer-reviewed scientific journal articles and 24 medical conference abstracts that discuss the tissue-tightening effect of our non-invasive monopolar RF technology, authored both by physicians affiliated with our company as clinical and scientific advisors and by unaffiliated, independent, physicians.

Manufacturing

Our manufacturing strategy involves the combined utilization of our internal manufacturing resources and expertise, approved suppliers and contract manufacturers. Our internal manufacturing activities include the assembly, testing and packaging of ThermaTips and handpieces, as well as the final integration, system testing and packaging of our ThermaCool NXT system. We outsource the manufacture of components, subassemblies and certain finished products that are produced to our specifications and shipped to our facility for final assembly

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or inspection, testing and certification. Finished product is stored at and distributed primarily from our Hayward facility. Quality control, risk management, efficiency and the ability to respond quickly to changing requirements are the primary goals of our manufacturing operations.

We have arrangements with our suppliers that allow us to adjust the delivery quantities of components, subassemblies and finished products, as well as delivery schedules, to match our changing requirements. The forecasts we use are based on historical trends, current utilization patterns and sales forecasts of future demand. Lead times for components, subassemblies and finished products may vary significantly depending on the size of the order, specific supplier requirements and current market demand for the components and subassemblies. Most of our suppliers have no contractual obligations to supply us with, and we are not contractually obligated to purchase from them, the components used in our devices.

We obtain programmable memory chips for our treatment tips and the coolant valve for our handpiece from single suppliers, for which we attempt to mitigate risks through inventory management and utilization of 12- to 18-month purchase orders. Other products and components come from single suppliers, but alternate suppliers have been qualified or, we believe, can be readily identified and qualified. In addition, the availability of cryogen for our cooling module, which we can source from multiple suppliers, may fluctuate due to changes in the global supply of this material. To date, we have not experienced material delays in obtaining any of our components, subassemblies or finished products, nor has the ready supply of finished product to our customers been adversely affected.

We are required to manufacture our products in compliance with the FDA's Quality System Regulation, or QSR. The QSR covers the methods and documentation of the design, testing, control, manufacturing, labeling, quality assurance, packaging, storage and shipping of our products. We maintain quality assurance and quality management certifications to enable us to market our products in the member states of the European Union, the European Free Trade Association and countries which have entered into Mutual Recognition Agreements with the European Union. These certifications include EN ISO 9001:2000 and CAN/CSA ISO 13485:2003 and are also required to maintain our product registration in a number of other foreign markets such as Canada.

We use small quantities of common cleaning products in our manufacturing operations, which are lawfully disposed of through a normal waste management program. We do not forecast any material costs due to compliance with environmental laws or regulations.

Services and Support

We strive to provide highly responsive service and support for both our ThermaCool RF generator and our single-use ThermaTip products.

Our ThermaTips are shipped from finished goods inventory typically on the day of the order. All ThermaTips are identified with lot numbers and date codes that indicate the expiration date of the product and are fully warranted until the date of expiration. We maintain a staff of customer service personnel in our Hayward, California facility that is available by phone to our customers to answer questions regarding the use of our ThermaCool system. In addition, in the United States our direct sales force provides on-site support and training to our customers in the use of our ThermaCool system.

In the United States, our ThermaCool RF generator and accessory products are shipped to a customer's site for initial installation and training by one of our direct sales consultants. Our direct sales force, our customer service personnel and our product service staff provide post-installation support and service. In the event of a failure of a ThermaCool RF generator, our customer service department arranges for the immediate shipment of loaner equipment to the customer for its use during the time that the equipment is being repaired. Our goal is to minimize the disruption caused by a service event, and our customers typically receive loaner equipment within one day after notifying us of a problem. In addition, we arrange for the customer's equipment to be returned to

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our Hayward facility where we confirm and diagnose the problem. Any necessary repairs are performed either at our facility or, in the case of the first generation ThermaCool system, at a contract manufacturer's facility. All ThermaCool systems and components are serialized or lot tracked, and device history records are maintained that track service history and configuration. In markets outside of the United States, our ThermaCool system is serviced and supported through our independent distributors.

Government Regulation

Our ThermaCool system is a medical device subject to extensive and rigorous regulation by the FDA, as well as other regulatory bodies. FDA regulations govern the following activities that we perform, or that are performed on our behalf, to ensure that medical products distributed domestically or exported internationally are safe and effective for their intended uses:

product design and development;

product testing;

product manufacturing;

product safety;

product labeling;

product storage;

recordkeeping;

premarket clearance or approval;

advertising and promotion;

production; and

product sales and distribution.

FDA's Premarket Clearance and Approval Requirements

Unless an exemption applies, each medical device we wish to commercially distribute in the United States will require either prior 510(k) clearance or premarket approval from the FDA. The FDA classifies medical devices into one of three classes. Devices deemed to pose lower risks are placed in either class I or II, which requires the manufacturer to submit to the FDA a premarket notification requesting clearance to commercially distribute the device. This process is generally known as 510(k) clearance. Some low risk devices are exempted from this requirement. Devices deemed by the FDA to pose the greatest risk, such as life-sustaining, life-supporting or implantable devices, or devices deemed not substantially equivalent to a previously cleared 510(k) device, are placed in class III, requiring premarket approval. All of our current products are class II devices.

510(k) Clearance Pathway

When a 510(k) clearance is required, we must submit a premarket notification to the FDA demonstrating that our proposed device is substantially equivalent to a previously cleared and legally marketed

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510(k) device or a device that was in commercial distribution before May 28, 1976 for which the FDA has not yet called for the submission of premarket approval applications, or PMA. By regulation, the FDA is required to clear or deny a 510(k) premarket notification within 90 days of submission of the application. As a practical matter, clearance often takes significantly longer. The FDA may require further information, including clinical data, to make a determination regarding substantial equivalence. If the FDA determines that the device, or its intended use, is not substantially equivalent to a previously cleared device or use, the FDA will place the device, or the particular use, into class III.

Radiofrequency devices used for aesthetic procedures, such as wrinkle reduction, have generally qualified for clearance under 510(k) procedures. We received FDA clearance to market our ThermaCool system for the treatment of periorbital wrinkles and rhytids in November 2002 and for treatment of facial wrinkles and rhytids in June 2004. In December 2005, we received FDA clearance to market our ThermaCool system for full body treatment of wrinkles. In October 2006, we received FDA clearance to market the ThermaCool system, for the temporary improvement in the appearance of cellulite. In June 2007, we received clearance to market our ThermaCool system for treatment of wrinkles and rhytids for the upper and lower eyelids.

Premarket Approval Pathway

A PMA must be submitted to the FDA if the device cannot be cleared through the 510(k) process. A PMA must be supported by extensive data, including but not limited to, technical, preclinical, clinical, manufacturing and labeling to demonstrate to the FDA's satisfaction the safety and effectiveness of the device.

No device that we have developed has required premarket approval, nor do we currently expect that any future device or indication will require premarket approval.

Product Modifications

We have modified aspects of our ThermaCool system and accessories since receiving regulatory clearance, and we have made additional 510(k) filings when we deem it necessary. Decisions and rationale not to file a 510(k) for device modifications are documented. After a device receives 510(k) clearance any modification that could affect its safety or effectiveness, or that would constitute a major change in its intended use, will require a new clearance or approval. The FDA requires each manufacturer to make this determination initially, but the FDA can review any decision and disagree with a manufacturer's determination not to file a new 510(k) or PMA. If the FDA disagrees with our determination the FDA may retroactively require us to seek 510(k) clearance or premarket approval. The FDA could also require us to cease marketing and distribution and/or recall the modified device until 510(k) clearance or premarket approval is obtained. Also, in these circumstances, we may be subject to significant regulatory fines or penalties.

Clinical Trials

Clinical trials are almost always required to support an FDA premarket application and are sometimes required for 510(k) clearance. In the United States, these trials generally require submission of an application for an Investigational Device Exemption, or IDE, to the FDA. The IDE application must be supported by appropriate data, such as animal and laboratory testing results, showing that it is safe to test the device in humans and that the testing protocol is scientifically sound. The IDE must be approved in advance by the FDA for a specific number of patients unless the product is deemed a non-significant risk device eligible for more abbreviated IDE requirements. Clinical trials for significant risk devices may not begin until the IDE application is approved by FDA and the appropriate institutional review boards, or IRBs, at the clinical trial sites. Our clinical trials must be conducted under the oversight of an IRB at the relevant clinical trial sites and in accordance with FDA regulations, including but not limited to those relating to good clinical practices. We are also required to obtain patients' informed consent that complies with both FDA requirements and state and federal privacy regulations.

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We, the FDA or the IRB at each site at which a clinical trial is being performed may suspend a clinical trial at any time for various reasons, including a belief that the risks to study subjects outweigh the benefits. Even if a trial is completed, the results of clinical testing may not demonstrate the safety and efficacy of the device may be equivocal or may otherwise not be sufficient to obtain clearance or approval of the product. Similarly, in Europe the clinical study must be approved by the local ethics committee and in some cases, including studies with high-risk devices, by the Ministry of Health in the applicable country.

Pervasive and Continuing Regulation

After a device is placed on the market, numerous regulatory requirements continue to apply. These include:

Quality System regulations, or QSRs, which require manufacturers, including third-party manufacturers, to follow stringent design, testing, control, documentation and other quality assurance procedures during all aspects of the manufacturing process;

labeling regulations and FDA prohibitions against the promotion of products for uncleared, unapproved or off-label uses;

medical device reporting, or MDR, regulations, which require that manufacturers report to the FDA if their device may have caused or contributed to a death or serious injury or malfunctioned in a way that would likely cause or contribute to a death or serious injury if the malfunction were to recur; and

post-market surveillance regulations, which apply when necessary to protect the public health or to provide additional safety and effectiveness data for the device.

The FDA has broad post-market and regulatory enforcement powers. We and our repair subcontractor are subject to unannounced inspections by the FDA and the Food and Drug Branch of the California Department of Health Services, or CDHS, to determine compliance with the QSR and other regulations. In the past, our facility has been inspected, and observations were noted. The FDA and CDHS have accepted our responses to these observations, and we believe that we are in substantial compliance with the QSRs. The most recent FDA visit during the fourth quarter of 2007 resulted in no observations noted.

Failure to comply with applicable regulatory requirements can result in enforcement action by the FDA, which may include any of the following sanctions:

warning letters, fines, injunctions, consent decrees and civil penalties;

repair, replacement, refunds, recall or seizure of our products;

operating restrictions, partial suspension or total shutdown of production;

refusing our requests for 510(k) clearance or premarket approval of new products or new intended uses;

withdrawing 510(k) clearance or premarket approvals that are already granted; and

criminal prosecution.

If any of these events were to occur, they could have a material adverse effect on our business.

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We are also subject to a wide range of federal, state and local laws and regulations, including those related to the environment, health and safety, land use and quality assurance. We believe that compliance with these laws and regulations as currently in effect will not have a material adverse effect on our capital expenditures, earnings and competitive and financial position.

International

International sales of medical devices are subject to foreign governmental regulations, which vary substantially from country to country. The time required to obtain clearance or approval by a foreign country may be longer or shorter than that required for FDA clearance or approval, and the requirements may be different. Some countries, such as Japan, have their own governmental approval process through which clinical trial data and other information are submitted to a regulatory authority. In other countries, a medical device may be commercialized if the product has been approved in the United States or in Europe.

The primary regulatory environment in Europe is that of the European Union. The European Union has adopted numerous directives and European Standardization Committees have promulgated voluntary standards regulating the design, manufacture, clinical trials, labeling and adverse event reporting for medical devices. Devices that comply with the requirements of a relevant directive will be entitled to bear CE conformity marking, indicating that the device conforms to the essential requirements of the applicable directives and, accordingly, can be commercially distributed throughout the European Union. The method of assessing conformity varies, depending on the type and class of the product, but normally involves a combination of self-assessment by the manufacturer and a third-party assessment by a Notified Body, an independent and neutral institution appointed by a country to conduct an assessment of compliance with applicable directives. This third-party assessment may consist of an audit of the manufacturer's quality system, standards, and specific testing of the manufacturer's device. An assessment by a Notified Body is required in order for a manufacturer to commercially distribute a product throughout the participating countries. Our products are CE Marked and in conformance with applicable medical device directives and can be commercially sold throughout the European Union, as well as in other countries that recognize products bearing the CE Mark. Our facility has been awarded the ISO 9001:2000 and the CAN/CSA ISO 13485:2003 certifications.

Employees

As of December 31, 2007, we had 179 employees, with 85 employees in sales and marketing, three employees in technical services, 36 employees in manufacturing operations, 28 employees in research and development including clinical, regulatory and certain quality functions, and 27 employees in general and administrative. We believe that our future success will depend in part on our continued ability to attract, hire and retain qualified personnel. None of our employees is represented by a labor union, and we believe our employee relations are good.

Available Information

You may find on our website at <http://www.thermage.com> electronic copies of our annual report on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K, and amendments to those reports filed or furnished pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Such filings are placed on our website as soon as reasonably possible after they are filed with the SEC. Our most recent charter for our Audit and Compensation Committees and our Code of Ethics are available on our website as well. In the event that we grant a waiver under our Code of Ethics to any of our officers or directors we will publish it on our website.

You can read our SEC filings over the Internet at the SEC's web site at www.sec.gov. You may also read and copy any document we file with the SEC at its public reference facilities at 100 F Street, N.E., Room

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1580, Washington, D.C. 20549. You may also obtain copies of the documents at prescribed rates by writing to the Public Reference Section of the SEC at 100 F Street, N.E., Room 1580, Washington, D.C. 20549. Please call the SEC at (202) 551-8090 or (800) 732-0330 for further information on the operation of the public reference facilities.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

Risks Related to Our Business

It is difficult to forecast future performance, which may cause our financial results to fluctuate unpredictably.

Our limited operating history makes it difficult for us to predict future performance. Historically, the demand for our ThermaCool system has varied from quarter to quarter. A number of factors, over which we have limited or no control, may contribute to fluctuations in our financial results, such as:

delays in receipt of anticipated purchase orders;

seasonal variations in patient demand for aesthetic procedures;

the potential impact of general economic conditions on the demand for aesthetic procedures;

performance of our independent distributors;

positive or negative media coverage of our ThermaCool system, the Thermage procedure or products of our competitors or our industry;

our ability to obtain further regulatory clearances or approvals;

delays in, or failure of, product and component deliveries by our subcontractors and suppliers;

changes in the length of the sales process;

customer response to the introduction of new product offerings; and

fluctuations in foreign currency.

Our operating performance has in the past been negatively impacted as we have attempted to determine the proper sales prices for our ThermaCool radiofrequency, or RF, generator and our single-use ThermaTips. Establishing appropriate pricing for our capital equipment and components has been challenging because there have not existed directly comparable competitive products. We may experience similar pricing challenges in the future as we introduce new products, which could have an unanticipated negative impact on our financial performance.

If there is not sufficient patient demand for Thermage procedures, practitioner demand for our ThermaCool system, including our single-use ThermaTips, could drop, resulting in unfavorable operating results.

Most procedures performed using our ThermaCool system are elective procedures, the cost of which must be borne by the patient, and are not reimbursable through government or private health insurance. The decision to undergo a Thermage procedure is thus driven by consumer demand. Our business is sensitive to a number of factors that influence the levels of consumer spending, including political and economic conditions

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such as recessionary environments, the levels of disposable consumer income, consumer debt, interest rates and consumer confidence. Declines in consumer spending on aesthetic procedures could have an adverse effect on our operating results. Consumer demand may also be influenced by a number of factors, such as:

our sales and marketing efforts directed toward consumers, as to which we have limited experience and resources;

the extent to which physicians recommend our procedures to their patients;

the cost, safety and effectiveness of a Thermage procedure versus alternative treatments; and

general consumer sentiment about the benefits and risks of aesthetic procedures.

Our financial performance could be materially harmed in the event that any of the above factors discourage patients from seeking Thermage procedures.

We may not be able to achieve sustainable profitability even if we are able to generate significant revenue.

We incurred a loss of \$8.2 million in 2005, a loss of \$3.9 million in 2006 and generated a profit of \$2.8 million in 2007. In the past, with increasing revenue, we have expanded our business and increased our expenses to meet anticipated increased demand for our products. We expect this trend to continue for the foreseeable future. For example, in order to promote revenue growth and geographic expansion during the fourth quarter of 2007, we began to execute a plan to increase our U.S. sales force by about 50% in headcount. We will have to increase our revenue while effectively managing our expenses in order to achieve sustained profitability. Our failure to achieve sustained profitability could negatively impact the market price of our common stock and require us to seek additional financing for our business.

We may not be successful in selling and marketing our product for cellulite.

In October 2006, we received clearance from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, or FDA, to market the ThermaCool system for the temporary improvement in the appearance of cellulite. We commercially launched a product in the first quarter of 2008. We have not previously marketed our ThermaCool system to reduce the appearance of cellulite, and our anticipated marketing and training efforts may not be successful in encouraging physicians and patients to adopt this new procedure in commercially meaningful numbers. We expect to face significant competition in the area of cellulite products, in some cases from companies that are more established, market more widely known products and have greater resources than we do. We may not be able to differentiate our cellulite product sufficiently from our competitors' products to achieve significant market penetration. As a result of these factors, we may incur significant sales and marketing expenses relating to this new product opportunity without achieving commercial success, which could harm our business and our competitive position.

We are totally dependent upon the success of our ThermaCool system, which has a limited commercial history. If the ThermaCool system fails to increase market acceptance, our business will suffer.

We introduced our ThermaCool system in 2002, and expect that sales of our ThermaCool system, including our line of single-use ThermaTips, will account for substantially all of our revenue for the foreseeable future. We expect to expand our line of ThermaTips in the near future for new applications. This may not occur when expected, or at all, which would negatively affect our anticipated revenue. Our ThermaCool system may not significantly penetrate current or new markets. If demand for the ThermaCool system does not increase as we anticipate, or declines, our business, financial condition and results of operations will be harmed.

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We are involved in intellectual property litigation, which could be costly and time consuming, and may impact our future business and financial performance.

We advised Alma Lasers Ltd. and Alma Lasers, Inc. (together Alma) in February 2006 that its Accent product infringed numerous Thermage patents. A number of these patents are the same as those at issue in our 2004 litigation against Syneron, which was settled in 2005 with Syneron acknowledging the validity of these patents in a paid license. On April 26, 2007, Alma filed a complaint in a federal court in Delaware seeking a declaratory judgment of non-infringement and invalidity of nine of Thermage's U.S. patents. On June 20, 2007, we filed an answer to this complaint and counterclaims, alleging that Alma infringed one or more claims of ten of Thermage's U.S. patents. Our counterclaim was subsequently amended on December 10, 2007 to include a claim of infringement of an eleventh Thermage patent. Among other things, our counterclaim alleges that both Alma's Harmony and Accent^{XL} systems infringe our patents. In addition to damages and attorney fees, we have asked the court to enjoin Alma from engaging in further infringement. Alma has responded to all our counterclaims by denying infringement and alleging invalidity of all eleven U.S. patents asserted by us. The litigation is active and discovery is ongoing. Our intellectual property has not been tested at trial. If we initiate litigation to protect our rights, we run the risk of having our patents invalidated, which would undermine our competitive position.

Litigation related to infringement and other intellectual property claims, with or without merit, is unpredictable, can be expensive and time-consuming and could divert management's attention from our core business. If we lose this kind of litigation, a court could require us to pay substantial damages, and prohibit us from using technologies essential to our ThermaCool system, any of which would have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition. We do not know whether necessary licenses would be available to us on satisfactory terms, or whether we could redesign our ThermaCool system or processes to avoid infringement.

Our industry has been characterized by frequent intellectual property litigation. Our competitors or other patent holders may assert that our ThermaCool system and the methods we employ are covered by their patents. If our ThermaCool system or methods are found to infringe, we could be prevented from marketing our ThermaCool system. In addition, we do not know whether our competitors or potential competitors have applied for, or will apply for or obtain, patents that will prevent, limit or interfere with our ability to make, use, sell, import or export our ThermaCool system. Competing products may also appear in other countries in which our patent coverage might not exist or be as strong. If we lose a foreign patent lawsuit, we could be prevented from marketing our ThermaCool system in one or more countries.

In addition, we may hereafter become involved in litigation to protect our trademark rights associated with our company name or the names used with our ThermaCool system. Names used with our ThermaCool system and procedures may be claimed to infringe names held by others or to be ineligible for proprietary protection. If we have to change the name of our company or ThermaCool system, we may experience a loss in goodwill associated with our brand name, customer confusion and a loss of sales.

Intellectual property rights may not provide adequate protection for our ThermaCool system, which may permit third parties to compete against us more effectively.

We rely on patent, copyright, trade secret and trademark laws and confidentiality agreements to protect our technology and ThermaCool system. As of December 31, 2007, we had 32 issued U.S. patents and 19 issued foreign patents outside of the United States, mostly covering our ThermaCool system. Some of our system components are not, and in the future may not be, protected by patents. Additionally, our patent applications may not issue as patents or, if issued, may not issue in a form that will be advantageous to us. Any patents we obtain may be challenged, invalidated or legally circumvented by third parties. Consequently, competitors could market products and use manufacturing processes that are substantially similar to, or superior to, ours. We may not be able to prevent the unauthorized disclosure or use of our technical knowledge or other trade secrets by consultants, vendors, former employees or current employees, despite the existence generally of confidentiality agreements and other contractual restrictions. Monitoring unauthorized uses and disclosures of our intellectual

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property is difficult, and we do not know whether the steps we have taken to protect our intellectual property will be effective. Moreover, we do not have patent rights in all foreign countries in which a market may exist, and where we have applied for foreign patent rights, the laws of many foreign countries will not protect our intellectual property rights to the same extent as the laws of the United States.

In addition, competitors could purchase our ThermaCool system and attempt to replicate some or all of the competitive advantages we derive from our development efforts, willfully infringe our intellectual property rights, design around our protected technology or develop their own competitive technologies that fall outside of our intellectual property rights. If our intellectual property is not adequately protected so as to protect our market against competitors' products and methods, our competitive position could be adversely affected, as could our business.

Our ability to market our ThermaCool system in the United States is limited. If we want to expand our marketing claims, we will need to obtain additional FDA clearances or approvals, which may not be granted.

Developing and promoting new applications for our ThermaCool system are elements of our growth strategy. We currently have FDA clearance in the United States to market our ThermaCool system for the non-invasive treatment of wrinkles and rhytids and for the temporary improvement in the appearance of cellulite. These clearances restrict our ability to market or advertise our ThermaCool system for many specific indications, which could affect our growth. We intend to expand our line of ThermaTips for new applications and conditions. We are in the process of seeking, and intend to continue to seek, clearances from the FDA to expand our marketing efforts. We cannot predict whether we will receive such clearances. Future indications may be more difficult to obtain. The FDA may require us to conduct clinical trials to support a regulatory clearance or approval, which trials may be time-consuming and expensive, and may produce results that do not result in approval of our FDA application. In the event that we do not obtain additional FDA clearances, our ability to promote our ThermaCool system in the United States and to grow our revenue may be adversely affected.

Performing clinical studies on, and collecting data from, the Thermage procedure is inherently subjective, and we have limited data regarding the efficacy of our ThermaCool system. If future data is not positive or consistent with our prior experience, rates of physician adoption will likely be harmed.

We believe that in order to significantly grow our business, we will need to conduct future clinical studies of the effectiveness of the ThermaCool system. Clinical studies of aesthetic wrinkle treatments are subject to a number of limitations. First, these studies do not involve well-established objective standards for measuring the effectiveness of treatment. Subjective, before and after, evaluation of the extent of change in the patient's appearance, performed by a medical professional or by the patient, is the most common method of evaluating effectiveness. A clinical study may conclude that a treatment is effective even if the change in appearance is subtle and not long-lasting. Second, as with other non-invasive, energy-based devices, the effect of the Thermage procedure varies from patient to patient and can be influenced by a number of factors, including the area of the body being treated, the age and skin laxity of the patient and operator technique.

We have not conducted any head-to-head clinical studies that compare results from treatment with our ThermaCool system to surgery or treatment with other aesthetic devices. Without head-to-head studies against competing alternative treatments, which we have no current plans to conduct, potential customers may not find clinical studies of our technology sufficiently compelling to purchase our ThermaCool system. If we decide to pursue additional studies in the future, they could be expensive and time consuming, and the data collected may not produce favorable or compelling results. If the results of such studies do not meet physicians' expectations, our ThermaCool system may not become widely adopted, physicians may recommend alternative treatments for their patients, and our business may be harmed.

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The failure of our ThermaCool system to meet patient expectations or the occurrence of unpleasant side effects from the Thermage procedure could impair our financial performance.

Our future success depends upon patients having a positive experience with the Thermage procedure in order to increase physician demand for our products, as a result of both individual patients' repeat business and as a result of word-of-mouth referrals. We believe that patients may be dissatisfied with the Thermage procedure if they find it to be too painful. Furthermore, Thermage patients may experience temporary swelling or reddening of the skin as a procedure side effect. In rare instances, patients may receive burns, blisters, skin discoloration or skin depressions. Experiencing excessive pain, or any of these side effects or adverse events could discourage a patient from having a Thermage procedure or discourage a patient from having additional procedures or referring Thermage procedures to others. In order to generate repeat and referral business, we also believe that patients must be satisfied with the effectiveness of the Thermage procedure. Results obtained from a Thermage procedure are subjective and may be subtle. A Thermage treatment may produce results that may not meet patients' expectations. If patients are not satisfied with the procedure or feel that it is too expensive for the results obtained, our reputation and future sales will suffer.

Our success depends on growing physician adoption of our ThermaCool system and continued use of our ThermaTips.

Our target physician customers typically already own one or more aesthetic device products. Our ability to grow our business and convince physicians to purchase our ThermaCool system depends on the success of our sales and marketing efforts. Our business model involves both a capital equipment purchase of our ThermaCool RF generator and continued purchases by our customers of single-use ThermaTips. This may be a novel business model for many potential customers who may be used to competing products that are either exclusively capital equipment, such as many laser-based systems, or that are exclusively single-use products, such as Botox or dermal fillers. We must be able to demonstrate that the cost of our ThermaCool system and the revenue that the physician can derive from performing procedures using our product are compelling when compared to the cost and revenue associated with alternative products. When marketing to plastic surgeons, we must also, in some cases, overcome a bias against non-invasive aesthetic procedures. If we are unable to increase physician adoption of our ThermaCool system and use of our ThermaTips, our financial performance will be adversely affected.

We have limited sales and marketing experience and failure to build and manage our sales force or to market and distribute our ThermaCool system effectively could have a material adverse effect on our business.

We rely on a direct sales force to sell our ThermaCool system in the United States. During the fourth quarter of 2007, we began to expand and realign our U.S. sales force to better address customer needs. We began to execute our plan to increase our U.S. sales force by about 50% in headcount and re-align resources into two groups, with about two-thirds of the sales force focusing on existing customers on sales of treatment tips, upgrades and training, and the remainder focusing on securing new accounts. As the Company grows, we expect to grow or re-align, if necessary, our sales organization to meet our anticipated sales objectives. There are significant risks involved in building and managing our sales organization, including risks related to our ability to:

hire qualified individuals as needed;

provide adequate training for the effective sale of our ThermaCool system; and

retain and motivate our sales employees.

In addition, sales to non-traditional practitioners of aesthetic procedures is a key element of our growth strategy. However, our sales force historically has sold primarily to dermatologists and plastic surgeons. Also,

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our ThermaCool system competes with products that are well-established in the market. Accordingly, it is difficult for us to predict how well our sales force will perform. Our failure to adequately address these risks could have a material adverse effect on our ability to sell our ThermaCool system, causing our revenue to be lower than expected and harming our results of operations.

To successfully market and sell our ThermaCool system internationally, we must address many issues with which we have limited experience.

International sales accounted for 48% of our revenue for the year ended December 31, 2007. We believe that a significant portion of our business will continue to come from international sales through increased penetration in countries where we currently sell our ThermaCool system, combined with expansion into new international markets. However, international sales are subject to a number of risks, including:

difficulties in staffing and managing our international operations;

difficulties in penetrating markets in which our competitors' products are more established;

reduced or no protection for intellectual property rights in some countries;

export restrictions, trade regulations and foreign tax laws;

regulation of the sale of the hydrofluorocarbon used with our ThermaCool system;

fluctuating foreign currency exchange rates;

foreign certification and regulatory clearance or approval requirements;

difficulties in developing effective marketing campaigns for unfamiliar, foreign countries;

customs clearance and shipping delays;

political and economic instability; and

preference for locally produced products.

If one or more of these risks were realized, it could require us to dedicate significant resources to remedy the situation, and if we are unable to find a solution, our revenue may decline.

To market and sell our ThermaCool system internationally, we depend on distributors, and they may not be successful.

We currently depend primarily on third-party distributors to sell and service our ThermaCool system internationally and to train our international customers, and if these distributors terminate their relationships with us or under-perform we may be unable to maintain or increase our level of international revenue. We will also need to engage additional international distributors to grow our business and expand the territories in which

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we sell our ThermaCool system. Distributors may not commit the necessary resources to market, sell and service our ThermaCool system to the level of our expectations. If current or future distributors do not perform adequately, or if we are unable to engage distributors in particular geographic areas, our revenue from international operations will be adversely affected.

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We compete against companies that have more established products, longer operating histories and greater resources, which may prevent us from achieving significant market penetration or increased operating results.

The aesthetics market is highly competitive and dynamic, and is marked by rapid and substantial technological development and product innovations. Demand for our ThermaCool system could be diminished by equivalent or superior products and technologies offered by competitors. Specifically, our ThermaCool system competes against a variety of offerings in the aesthetics market, including laser and other light-based medical devices, pharmaceutical products such as Botox, filler injections, chemical peels, microdermabrasion, liposuction, cosmetic surgical procedures and less invasive surgical solutions such as implanted sutures. Our closest competitors are makers of laser and other light-based devices, which include public companies such as Candela, Cutera, Cynosure, Lumenis, Palomar Medical Technologies and Syneron Medical, as well as many private companies.

Competing in the aesthetics market could result in price-cutting, reduced profit margins and loss of market share, any of which would harm our business, financial condition and results of operations. Our ability to compete effectively depends upon our ability to distinguish our company and our ThermaCool system from our competitors and their products, and on such factors as:

safety and effectiveness;

product pricing;

success of our marketing initiatives;

compelling clinical data;

intellectual property protection;

quality of customer support; and

development of successful distribution channels, both domestically and internationally.

Some of our competitors have more established products and customer relationships than we do, which could inhibit our market penetration efforts. For example, we have encountered, and expect to continue to encounter, situations where, due to pre-existing relationships, potential customers decided to purchase additional products from our competitors. Potential customers also may need to recoup the cost of expensive products that they have already purchased from our competitors and thus may decide not to purchase our ThermaCool system, or to delay such purchase. If we are unable to achieve continued market penetration, we will be unable to compete effectively and our business will be harmed.

In addition, some of our current and potential competitors have significantly greater financial, research and development, manufacturing, and sales and marketing resources than we have. Our competitors could utilize their greater financial resources to acquire other companies to gain enhanced name recognition and market share, as well as new technologies or products that could effectively compete with our existing product line. Given the relatively few competitors currently in the market, any business combination could exacerbate any existing competitive pressures, which could harm our business.

Competition among providers of devices for the aesthetics market is characterized by rapid innovation, and we must continuously develop new products or our revenue may decline.

While we attempt to protect our ThermaCool system through patents and other intellectual property rights, there are few barriers to entry that would prevent new entrants or existing competitors from developing

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products that compete directly with ours. For example, while we believe our monopolar RF technology maintains a strong intellectual property position, there are other companies employing competing technologies which claim to have a similar clinical effect to ours. Additionally, there are others who may market monopolar RF technology for competing purposes in a direct challenge to our intellectual property position. As we continue to create market demand for a non-surgical, non-invasive way to treat wrinkles, competitors will enter the market with other products making similar or superior claims. We expect that any competitive advantage we may enjoy from our current and future innovations may diminish over time, as companies successfully respond to our, or create their own, innovations. Consequently, we believe that we will have to continuously innovate and improve our ThermaCool system and technology to compete successfully. If we are unable to innovate successfully, our ThermaCool system could become obsolete and our revenue will decline as our customers purchase competing products.

Negative publicity regarding our Thermage procedure could harm demand, which would adversely affect sales and our financial performance.

We have in the past experienced, and expect that in the future we will experience, negative media exposure. Such publicity may present negative individual physician or patient experience regarding the safety or effectiveness of the Thermage procedure. Competitors could attempt to use such publicity to harm our reputation and disrupt current or potential future customer relationships. While, to date, we have not observed a material impact on our quarterly financial results of operations from negative publicity, future results could be negatively impacted. Additionally, while we believe that obtaining positive publicity is important to our success, and it is an important component of our marketing efforts, we have also not observed a material impact on our quarterly financial results of operations from positive publicity.

Our reputation and competitive position may be harmed not only by negative media exposure, but also by other publicly-available information suggesting that our Thermage procedure is not safe. For example, we file adverse event reports with the FDA that are publicly available on the FDA's website if our product may have caused or contributed to a serious injury or malfunctioned in a way that would likely cause or contribute to a serious injury if it were to recur. Competitors may attempt to harm our reputation by pointing to isolated injuries that have been reported or publicized, or by claiming that their product is superior because they have not filed as many adverse event reports with the FDA. Such negative publicity and competitor behavior could harm our reputation and our future sales.

We outsource the repair of key elements of our first generation ThermaCool RF generator to a single repair subcontractor.

We outsource the repair of our first generation RF generator to a single contract manufacturer, Stellartech. If Stellartech's operations are interrupted, we may be limited in our ability to repair equipment. Stellartech is dependent on trained technical labor to effectively repair our ThermaCool RF generator. In addition, Stellartech is a medical device manufacturer and is required to demonstrate and maintain compliance with the FDA's Quality System Regulation, or QSR. If Stellartech fails to comply with the FDA's QSR, its repair operations could be halted and our ability to repair first generation ThermaCool systems would be impaired.

Our manufacturing operations and those of our key manufacturing subcontractors are dependent upon third-party suppliers, making us vulnerable to supply shortages and price fluctuations, which could harm our business.

Several components and materials that comprise our ThermaCool system are currently manufactured by a single supplier or a limited number of suppliers. In many of these cases, we have not yet qualified alternate suppliers and rely upon purchase orders, rather than long-term supply agreements. A supply interruption or an

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increase in demand beyond our current suppliers' capabilities could harm our ability to manufacture our ThermaCool system until new sources of supply are identified and qualified. Our reliance on these suppliers subjects us to a number of risks that could harm our business, including:

interruption of supply resulting from modifications to or discontinuation of a supplier's operations;

delays in product shipments resulting from uncorrected defects, reliability issues or a supplier's variation in a component;

a lack of long-term supply arrangements for key components with our suppliers;

inability to obtain adequate supply in a timely manner, or to obtain adequate supply on commercially reasonable terms;

difficulty locating and qualifying alternative suppliers for our components in a timely manner;

production delays related to the evaluation and testing of products from alternative suppliers, and corresponding regulatory qualifications;

delay in delivery due to our suppliers prioritizing other customer orders over ours;

damage to our brand reputation caused by defective components produced by our suppliers;

increased cost of our warranty program due to product repair or replacement based upon defects in components produced by our suppliers; and

fluctuation in delivery by our suppliers due to changes in demand from us or their other customers.

Any interruption in the supply of components or materials, or our inability to obtain substitute components or materials from alternate sources at acceptable prices in a timely manner, could impair our ability to meet the demand of our customers, which would have an adverse effect on our business.

If, in the future, we decide to perform additional manufacturing functions internally that we currently outsource, our business could be harmed by our limited manufacturing experience and related capabilities.

We currently perform certain manufacturing processes internally at our principal facility, and we outsource the manufacture of components, subassemblies and certain finished products to a limited number of third parties. For financial or operational purposes, we may elect, to perform additional component or system manufacturing functions internally. In that event, we may face a number of challenges beyond those that we currently address in our internal assembly, inspection, testing and certification activities. Implementing complex or specialized manufacturing processes could lead to difficulties in producing sufficient quantities of manufactured items that meet our quality standards and that comply with applicable regulatory requirements in a timely and cost-effective manner. In addition, if we experience these types of internal manufacturing difficulties, it may be expensive and time consuming to engage a new or previous subcontractor or supplier to fulfill our replacement manufacturing needs. The occurrence of any of these events could harm our business.

Problems in our manufacturing processes, or those of our manufacturing subcontractors, that lead to an actual or possible malfunction in the ThermaCool system, may require us to recall product from customers and could disrupt our operations. Our results of operations, our reputation

and market acceptance of our products could be harmed if we encounter difficulties in manufacturing that result in a recall or patient injury, and delays in our ability to fill customer orders.

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We may not be able to develop an alternative cooling system that will be in compliance with changing environmental regulations in a timely or cost-effective manner.

The cooling capability of our ThermaCool RF generators relies upon a hydrofluorocarbon, or HFC, called R134a, to protect the outer layer of the skin from over-heating while our device delivers RF energy to the subcutaneous tissue. New environmental regulations phasing out certain HFCs over the next decade have been adopted or are under consideration in a number of countries, and recent European Union directives require the phase-out of certain HFCs and place certain restrictions by July 2007 on the import of R134a, and new products that utilize R134a. Our research and development staff continues to make good progress in developing an alternative cooling system to address changing environmental regulations. We have also put in place a solution for the European Union import restrictions. If we are unable to develop an alternative cooling system for our device which is not dependent on R134a in a timely or cost-effective manner, our ThermaCool system may not be in compliance with environmental regulations, which could result in fines, civil penalties and the inability to sell our products in certain major international markets.

We forecast sales to determine requirements for components and materials used in our ThermaCool system, and if our forecasts are incorrect, we may experience delays in shipments or increased inventory costs.

We keep limited materials, components and finished product on hand. To manage our manufacturing operations with our suppliers, we forecast anticipated product orders and material requirements to predict our inventory needs up to six months in advance and enter into purchase orders on the basis of these requirements. Our limited historical experience may not provide us with enough data to accurately predict future demand. If our business expands, our demand for components and materials would increase and our suppliers may be unable to meet our demand. If we overestimate our component and material requirements, we will have excess inventory, which would increase our expenses. If we underestimate our component and material requirements, we may have inadequate inventory, which could interrupt, delay or prevent delivery of our ThermaCool system to our customers. Any of these occurrences would negatively affect our financial performance and the level of satisfaction our customers have with our business.

Even though we require training for users of our ThermaCool system and do not sell our ThermaCool system to non-physicians, there exists a potential for misuse, which could harm our reputation and our business.

While we only sell our ThermaCool system to licensed physicians who have met our training requirements, Federal regulations allow us to sell our ThermaCool system to licensed practitioners. The definition of licensed practitioners varies from state to state. As a result, our ThermaCool system may be operated by licensed practitioners with varying levels of training, and in many states by non-physicians, including physician assistants, registered nurses and nurse practitioners. Thus, in some states, the definition of licensed practitioner may result in the legal use of our ThermaCool system by non-physicians. Outside the United States, our independent distributors sell in many jurisdictions that do not require specific qualifications or training for purchasers or operators of our ThermaCool system. We do not supervise the procedures performed with our ThermaCool system, nor can we be assured that direct physician supervision of our equipment occurs according to our recommendations. We, and our distributors, require purchasers of our ThermaCool system to undergo an initial training session as a condition of purchase, but do not require ongoing training. In addition, we prohibit the sale of our system to companies that rent our system to third parties without our approval, but cannot prevent an otherwise qualified physician from contracting with a rental company in violation of their purchase agreement with us. The use of our ThermaCool system by non-physicians, as well as noncompliance with the operating guidelines set forth in our training programs, may result in product misuse and adverse treatment outcomes, which could harm our reputation and expose us to costly product liability litigation.

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Product liability suits could be brought against us due to defective design, labeling, material or workmanship, or misuse of our ThermaCool system, and could result in expensive and time-consuming litigation, payment of substantial damages and an increase in our insurance rates.

If our ThermaCool system is defectively designed, manufactured or labeled, contains defective components or is misused, we may become subject to substantial and costly litigation by our customers or their patients. Misusing our ThermaCool system or failing to adhere to operating guidelines could cause significant skin damage and underlying tissue damage. In addition, if our operating guidelines are found to be inadequate, we may be subject to liability. We have been and may, in the future, be involved in litigation related to the use of our ThermaCool system. Product liability claims could divert management's attention from our core business, be expensive to defend and result in sizable damage awards against us. We may not have sufficient insurance coverage for all future claims. We may not be able to obtain insurance in amounts or scope sufficient to provide us with adequate coverage against all potential liabilities. Any product liability claims brought against us, with or without merit, could increase our product liability insurance rates or prevent us from securing continuing coverage, could harm our reputation in the industry and reduce product sales. Product liability claims in excess of our insurance coverage would be paid out of cash reserves, harming our financial condition and reducing our operating results.

The dielectric material in our ThermaTips may degrade with prolonged operation of our device, which could, in turn, lead to skin burns. Our research and development staff continues to be innovative in designing and implementing strategies to mitigate the risks associated with breakdown of the dielectric material in our ThermaTips. If we are unable to address this issue effectively, we could be subject to product liability litigation, as well as damage to our reputation in the marketplace, as a result of potential injury to patients.

After-market modifications to our ThermaTips by third parties and the development of counterfeit treatment tips could reduce ThermaTip sales, expose us to product liability litigation and dilute our brand quality.

Third parties have introduced adulterated after-market modifications to our ThermaTips which have enabled re-use of our ThermaTips in multiple procedures. Because our ThermaTips are designed to withstand a finite number of firings, modifications intended to increase the number of firings could result in patient injuries caused by the use of worn-out or damaged ThermaTips. In addition, third parties may seek to develop counterfeit treatment tips that are compatible with our ThermaCool system and available to practitioners at lower prices than our own. If security features incorporated into the design of our ThermaCool system are unable to prevent after-market modifications to our ThermaTips or the introduction of counterfeit treatment tips, we could be subject to reduced ThermaTip sales, product liability lawsuits resulting from the use of damaged or defective goods and damage to our reputation for providing a quality product.

We depend on skilled and experienced personnel to operate our business effectively. If we are unable to recruit, hire and retain these employees, our ability to manage and expand our business will be harmed, which would impair our future revenue and profitability.

Our success largely depends on the skills, experience and efforts of our officers and other key employees. Many of our officers and key employees do not have employment contracts with us and can terminate their employment at any time. The loss of any of our senior management team members could weaken our management expertise and harm our business.

Our ability to retain our skilled labor force and our success in attracting and hiring new skilled employees will be a critical factor in determining whether we will be successful in the future. We may not be able to meet our future hiring needs or retain existing personnel. We will face particularly significant challenges and risks in hiring, training, managing and retaining engineering and sales and marketing employees, as well as

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independent distributors, most of whom are geographically dispersed and must be trained in the use and benefits of our ThermaCool system. Failure to attract and retain personnel, particularly technical and sales and marketing personnel, would materially harm our ability to compete effectively and grow our business.

Risks Related to Regulatory Matters

If we fail to obtain and maintain necessary FDA clearances for our ThermaCool system and indications, if clearances for future products and indications are delayed, not issued or rescinded or if there are federal or state level regulatory changes, our commercial operations would be harmed.

Our ThermaCool system is a medical device that is subject to extensive regulation in the United States by the FDA for manufacturing, labeling, sale, promotion, distribution and shipping. Before a new medical device, or a new use of or claim for an existing product, can be marketed in the United States, it must first receive either 510(k) clearance or premarket approval from the FDA, unless an exemption applies. Either process can be expensive and lengthy. The FDA's 510(k) clearance process usually takes from three to 12 months, but it can last significantly longer. The process of obtaining premarket approval is much more costly and uncertain than the 510(k) clearance process, and it generally takes from one to three years, or even longer, from the time the application is filed with the FDA.

Medical devices may be marketed only for the indications for which they are approved or cleared. We have obtained 510(k) clearance for the non-invasive treatment of wrinkles and rhytids. However, our clearances can be revoked if safety or effectiveness problems develop. We also are subject to Medical Device Reporting regulations, which require us to report to the FDA if our product causes or contributes to a death or serious injury, or malfunctions in a way that would likely cause or contribute to a death or serious injury. Our ThermaCool system is also subject to state regulations which are, in many instances, in flux. Changes in state regulations may impede sales. For example, federal regulations allow our ThermaCool system to be sold to, or on the order of, licensed practitioners, as determined on a state-by-state basis. As a result, in some states, non-physicians may legally purchase and operate our ThermaCool system. However, a state could change its regulations at any time, disallowing sales to particular types of end users. We cannot predict the impact or effect of future legislation or regulations at the federal or state levels.

The FDA and state authorities have broad enforcement powers. Our failure to comply with applicable regulatory requirements could result in enforcement action by the FDA or state agencies, which may include any of the following sanctions:

warning letters, fines, injunctions, consent decrees and civil penalties;

repair, replacement, refunds, recall or seizure of our product;

operating restrictions or partial suspension or total shutdown of production;

refusing our requests for 510(k) clearance or premarket approval of new products, new intended uses or modifications to our existing product;

withdrawing 510(k) clearance or premarket approvals that have already been granted; and

criminal prosecution.

If any of these events were to occur, our business could be harmed.

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If we modify our FDA-cleared device, we may need to seek and obtain new clearances, which, if not granted, would prevent us from selling our modified product or require us to redesign our product.

Any modifications to an FDA-cleared device that would significantly affect its safety or effectiveness or that would constitute a major change in its intended use would require a new 510(k) clearance or possibly a premarket approval. We may not be able to obtain additional 510(k) clearances or premarket approvals for new products or for modifications to, or additional indications for, our existing product in a timely fashion, or at all. Delays in obtaining future clearances would adversely affect our ability to introduce new or enhanced products in a timely manner, which in turn would harm our revenue and potential future profitability. We have made modifications to our device in the past and may make additional modifications in the future that we believe do not or will not require additional clearances or approvals. If the FDA disagrees, and requires new clearances or approvals for the modifications, we may be required to recall and to stop marketing the modified device, which could harm our operating results and require us to redesign our product.

If we or our repair subcontractor fail to comply with the FDA's Quality System Regulation, our business would suffer.

We and our repair subcontractor are required to demonstrate and maintain compliance with the FDA's Quality System Regulation, or QSR. The QSR is a complex regulatory scheme that covers the methods and documentation of the design, testing, control, manufacturing, labeling, quality assurance, packaging, storage and shipping of our product. The FDA enforces the QSR through periodic unannounced inspections. We have been, and anticipate in the future to be, subject to such inspections. Our failure, or the failure of our repair subcontractor, to take satisfactory corrective action in response to an adverse QSR inspection could result in enforcement actions, including a public warning letter, a shutdown of our manufacturing operations, a recall of our product, civil or criminal penalties or other sanctions, which would cause our sales and business to suffer.

We may be unable to obtain or maintain international regulatory qualifications or approvals for our current or future products and indications, which could harm our business.

Sales of our ThermaCool system outside the United States are subject to foreign regulatory requirements that vary widely from country to country. In addition, the FDA regulates exports of medical devices from the United States. Complying with international regulatory requirements can be an expensive and time-consuming process and approval is not certain. The time required to obtain clearance or approvals, if required by other countries, may be longer than that required for FDA clearance or approvals, and requirements for such clearances or approvals may significantly differ from FDA requirements. We primarily rely upon third-party distributors to obtain all regulatory clearances and approvals required in countries outside of the United States, and these distributors may be unable to obtain or maintain such clearances or approvals. Our distributors may also incur significant costs in attempting to obtain and in maintaining foreign regulatory approvals or qualifications, which could increase the difficulty of attracting and retaining qualified distributors. If our distributors experience delays in receiving necessary qualifications, clearances or approvals to market our products outside the United States, or if they fail to receive those qualifications, clearances or approvals, we may be unable to market our products or enhancements in international markets effectively, or at all. To support the registration of products outside the United States, we must comply with and be registered to the ISO 13485: 2003 Quality System Standard. Failure to adequately maintain our ISO 13485: 2003 registration may adversely impact or prevent the registration of our products in some foreign countries.

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Risks Related to Our Capital Requirements and Finances

While we believe we currently have adequate internal control over financial reporting, we are required to assess our internal control over financial reporting on an annual basis and any future adverse results from such assessment could result in a loss of investor confidence in our financial reports and have an adverse effect on our stock.

Pursuant to the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and the rules and regulations promulgated by the SEC, we are required to maintain disclosure controls and procedures and adequate internal control over financial reporting. Under such requirements we must furnish in our Form 10-K a report by our management regarding the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting. The report includes, among other things, an assessment of the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of the end of our fiscal year, including a statement as to whether or not our internal control over financial is effective. This assessment must include disclosure of any material weaknesses in our internal control over financial reporting identified by management. While we currently believe our internal control over financial reporting is effective, the effectiveness of our internal controls in future periods is subject to the risk that our controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions. The effectiveness of our controls and procedures may in the future be limited by a variety of factors, including:

faulty human judgment and simple errors, omissions or mistakes;

fraudulent action of an individual or collusion of two or more people;

inappropriate management override of procedures; and

the possibility that any enhancements to controls and procedures may still not be adequate to assure timely and accurate financial information.

If we are unable to assert that our internal control over financial reporting is effective in any future period, or if our auditors are unable to express an opinion on the effectiveness of our internal controls, or conclude that our internal controls are ineffective, or if we fail to maintain adequate and effective internal control over financial reporting, we could lose investor confidence in the accuracy and completeness of our financial reports, which could have an adverse effect on our stock price.

Any acquisitions that we make could disrupt our business and harm our financial condition.

We expect to evaluate potential strategic acquisitions of complementary businesses, products or technologies. We may also consider joint ventures and other collaborative projects. We may not be able to identify appropriate acquisition candidates or strategic partners, or successfully negotiate, finance or integrate acquisitions of any businesses, products or technologies. Furthermore, the integration of any acquisition and management of any collaborative project may divert management's time and resources from our core business and disrupt our operations. We do not have any experience with acquiring companies or products. If we decide to expand our product offerings beyond radiofrequency technologies, we may spend time and money on projects that do not increase our revenue. Any cash acquisition we pursue would diminish funds available to us for other uses, and any stock acquisition would dilute our stockholders' ownership. While we from time to time evaluate potential collaborative projects and acquisitions of businesses, products and technologies, and anticipate continuing to make these evaluations, we have no present understandings, commitments or agreements with respect to any acquisitions or collaborative projects.

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Risks Related to Our Common Stock

If our public guidance or our future operating performance does not meet investor expectations, our stock price could decline.

We provide guidance to the investing community regarding our anticipated future operating performance. Our business typically has a short sales cycle, so that we do not have significant backlog of orders at the start of a quarter, and our ability to sell our ThermaCool system successfully is subject to many uncertainties, as discussed. In light of these factors, it is difficult for us to estimate with accuracy our future results. Our expectations regarding these results will be subject to numerous risks and uncertainties that could make actual results differ materially from those anticipated. If our actual results do not meet our public guidance or our guidance or actual results do not meet the expectations of third-party financial analysts, our stock price could decline significantly.

We expect that the price of our common stock will fluctuate substantially.

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

volume and timing of sales of our ThermaCool system;

the introduction of new products or product enhancements by us or our competitors;

disputes or other developments with respect to our intellectual property rights or the intellectual property rights of others;

our ability to develop, obtain regulatory clearance or approval for and market new and enhanced products on a timely basis;

product liability claims or other litigation;

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

sales of large blocks of our common stock, including sales by our executive officers and directors;

developments in our industry;

media exposure of our ThermaCool system or products of our competitors;

changes in governmental regulations or in the status of our regulatory approvals or applications;

changes in earnings estimates or recommendations by securities analysts; and

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

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These and other factors may make the price of our stock volatile and subject to unexpected fluctuation.

A sale of a substantial number of shares of our common stock may cause the price of our common stock to decline.

If our stockholders sell substantial amounts of our common stock in the public market, for example, liquidation of shares held by our principal stockholders, including shares issued upon the exercise of outstanding

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options, the market price of our common stock could decline. These sales also might make it more difficult for us to sell equity or equity-related securities in the future at a time and price that we deem reasonable or appropriate.

Our directors, officers and principal stockholders have significant voting power and may take actions that may not be in the best interests of our other stockholders.

Our officers, directors and principal stockholders each holding more than 5% of our common stock collectively control more than 40% of our outstanding common stock. As a result, these stockholders, if they act together, will be able to significantly influence the management and affairs of our company and most matters requiring stockholder approval, including the election of directors and approval of significant corporate transactions. This concentration of ownership may have the effect of delaying or preventing a change in control and might adversely affect the market price of our common stock. This concentration of ownership may not be in the best interests of our other stockholders.

Anti-takeover provisions in our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws, and Delaware law, contain provisions that could discourage a takeover.

Our certificate of incorporation and bylaws, and Delaware law, contain provisions that might enable our management to resist a takeover, and might make it more difficult for an investor to acquire a substantial block of our common stock. These provisions include:

a classified board of directors;

advance notice requirements to stockholders for matters to be brought at stockholder meetings;

a supermajority stockholder vote requirement for amending certain provisions of our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws;

limitations on stockholder actions by written consent; and

the right to issue preferred stock without stockholder approval, which could be used to dilute the stock ownership of a potential hostile acquirer.

These provisions might discourage, delay or prevent a change in control of our company or a change in our management. The existence of these provisions could adversely affect the voting power of holders of common stock and limit the price that investors might be willing to pay in the future for shares of our common stock.

We have a large number of authorized but unissued shares of stock, which could negatively impact you if you purchase our common stock.

Our certificate of incorporation provides for 100,000,000 shares of authorized common stock, of which 76.4 million shares will be available for future issuance, and 10,000,000 shares of preferred stock, all of which will be available for future issuance. The issuance of additional shares of common stock may have a dilutive effect on earnings per share and relative voting power. We could use the shares of common stock that are available for future issuance in dilutive equity financing transactions, or to oppose a hostile takeover attempt or delay or prevent changes in control or changes in or removal of management, including transactions that are favored by a majority of the stockholders or in which the stockholders might otherwise receive a premium for their shares over then-current market prices or benefit in some other manner.

Our board of directors will be authorized, without further stockholder approval, to issue up to 10,000,000 shares of preferred stock with such rights, preferences and privileges as our board may determine.

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These rights, preferences and privileges may include dividend rights, conversion rights, voting rights and liquidation rights that may be greater than the rights of our common stock. As a result, the rights of holders of our common stock will be subject to, and could be adversely affected by, the rights of holders of any preferred stock that may be issued in the future.

We have not paid dividends in the past and do not expect to pay dividends in the future, and any return on investment may be limited to the value of our stock.

We have never paid cash dividends on our common stock and do not anticipate paying cash dividends on our common stock in the foreseeable future. The payment of dividends on our common stock will depend on our earnings, financial condition and other business and economic factors affecting us at such time as our board of directors may consider relevant. If we do not pay dividends, our stock may be less valuable because a return on your investment will only occur if our stock price appreciates.

Item 1B. *Unresolved Staff Comments*

Not applicable.

Item 2. *Properties*

We occupy an 88,000 square foot facility in Hayward, California, under a lease that ends in September 2010, with an option to extend for an additional three-year term. We believe our facilities are adequate for our current and future needs for at least the next twelve months.

Item 3. *Legal Proceedings*

We advised Alma Lasers, Ltd. and Alma Lasers, Inc. (together, Alma) in February 2006 that its Accent product infringed numerous Thermage patents.

On April 26, 2007, Alma filed a lawsuit against us in the United States District Court for the District of Delaware requesting declaratory judgment that Alma's Accent product does not infringe Thermage's patents and that Thermage's patents are invalid. We believe that we have meritorious defenses in this action and intend to defend the action vigorously.

On June 20, 2007, we filed patent infringement counterclaims against Alma in the United States District Court for the District of Delaware asserting that Alma's Accent^{XL} and Harmony devices infringe 10 Thermage U.S. patents. The counterclaim was amended on December 10, 2007 to include a claim of infringement of an eleventh Thermage patent. In addition to damages and attorney fees, we are asking the Court to enjoin Alma from further infringement. The case is active and discovery is ongoing.

Item 4. *Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders*

Not applicable.

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Stock Exchange Listing

Our common stock has traded on the Nasdaq Global Market under the symbol "THRM" since our initial public offering on November 9, 2006. On February 29, 2008, the closing sale price of our common stock was \$4.22 per share.

Common Stockholders

As of February 29, 2008, there were approximately 115 stockholders of record of our common stock, one of whom was CEDE & Co, a large clearing house that holds shares in its name for banks, brokers and institutions, in order to expedite the sale and transfer of stock. Since many stockholders' shares are listed under their brokerage firm's name, we believe the actual number of stockholders is approximately 4,000.

Stock Prices

The following table sets forth quarterly high and low sales prices of our common stock for the indicated periods:

	High	Low
Year Ended December 31, 2006		
Fourth Quarter	\$ 8.15	\$ 6.40
Year Ended December 31, 2007		
First Quarter	\$ 10.70	\$ 7.00
Second Quarter	9.10	6.80
Third Quarter	9.08	6.94
Fourth Quarter	7.98	5.43

Dividend Policy

We have never paid a cash dividend and have no present intention to pay cash dividends in the foreseeable future. The board of directors currently intends to retain any future earnings for use in our business.

Securities Authorized for Issuance Under Equity Compensation Plans

The information required by this Item regarding equity compensation plans is incorporated by reference to the information set forth in PART III Item 12 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

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Stock Performance Graph

The following graph compares the cumulative total stockholder return on our common stock with the cumulative total return of the Nasdaq Composite Index and the Nasdaq Medical Equipment Index for the period beginning on November 10, 2006, our first day of trading after our initial public offering, and ending on December 31, 2007.

The graph assumes that \$100 was invested on November 10, 2006 in our common stock, or on October 31, 2006 in the Nasdaq Composite Index and the Nasdaq Medical Equipment Index, and that all dividends were reinvested. No dividends have been declared or paid on our common stock. Stock performance shown in the above chart for the common stock is historical and should not be considered indicative of future price performance. This graph was prepared by Research Data Group, Inc.

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The following table presents certain financial data for each of the last five fiscal years. You should read the following financial information together with the information under Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and our financial statements and related notes included in this Form 10-K.

Statement of Operations Data

(in thousands of dollars, except share and per share data)

	Years Ended December 31,				
	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Net revenue	\$ 63,101	\$ 54,320	\$ 40,655	\$ 50,384	\$ 24,910
Cost of revenue	15,976	15,259	12,309	12,452	12,566
Gross margin	47,125	39,061	28,346	37,932	12,344
Operating expenses					
Sales and marketing	26,195	24,071	19,997	15,596	8,945
Research and development	9,099	9,639	8,908	8,490	6,569
General and administrative	11,300	9,973	7,414	8,873	3,612
Litigation settlement gain			(1,646)		
Total operating expenses	46,594	43,683	34,673	32,959	19,126
Income (loss) from operations	531	(4,622)	(6,327)	4,973	(6,782)
Interest and other income	2,520	768	340	177	205
Interest, warrants and other expense		(55)	(1,549)	(14)	(7)
Income (loss) before income taxes and cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	3,051	(3,909)	(7,536)	5,136	(6,584)
Provision for income taxes	(271)			(103)	
Net income (loss) before cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	2,780	(3,909)	(7,536)	5,033	(6,584)
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle			(697)		
Net income (loss)	\$ 2,780	\$ (3,909)	\$ (8,233)	\$ 5,033	\$ (6,584)
Net income (loss) allocable to common stockholders	\$ 2,780	\$ (3,909)	\$ (8,233)	\$ 313	\$ (6,584)
Net income (loss) per share - basic and diluted:					
Before cumulative effect of change in accounting principle			\$ (2.06)		
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle			(0.19)		
Net income (loss) per share - basic	\$ 0.12	\$ (0.60)	\$ (2.25)	\$ 0.10	\$ (2.85)
Net income (loss) per share - diluted	\$ 0.11	\$ (0.60)	\$ (2.25)	\$ 0.06	\$ (2.85)
Weighted average shares outstanding used in calculating net income (loss) per common share:					
Basic	23,241,031	6,561,648	3,664,990	3,023,225	2,307,238
Diluted	24,884,458	6,561,648	3,664,990	5,319,754	2,307,238

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<i>(in thousands of dollars)</i>	As of December 31,				
	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 13,650	\$ 45,915	\$ 10,121	\$ 11,706	\$ 12,383
Marketable investments	38,707				
Working capital	55,834	46,153	10,947	12,110	9,435
Total assets	68,727	59,875	24,032	26,202	17,667
Borrowings, less current portion			4,040	13	18
Preferred stock warrant liability			3,937		
Redeemable convertible preferred stock			45,169	45,169	45,167
Total stockholders' equity (deficit)	\$ 58,118	\$ 49,121	\$ (38,733)	\$ (29,440)	\$ (35,189)

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Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with the attached financial statements and notes thereto. This Annual Report on Form 10-K, including the following sections, contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the federal securities laws. These statements include, but are not limited to, those concerning our expectations that ThermaTip sales will continue to increase as a percentage of revenue versus generator sales; increase in ThermaTip revenue as a result of greater demand; introduction of new procedures and associated treatment tips in the future; expansion of average selling price;; sales organization growth; growth in international sales and expansion into new international markets; and our belief that our cash, cash equivalents and marketable investments will be sufficient to satisfy our anticipated cash requirements. These statements are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results and events to differ materially from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. For a detailed discussion of these risks and uncertainties, see Risk Factors section in Item 1A of this Annual Report on Form 10-K. We caution the reader not to place undue reliance of these forward-looking statements, which reflect management's analysis only as of the date of this Form 10-K. We undertake no obligation to update forward-looking statements, which reflect events or circumstances occurring after the date of this Form 10-K.

Overview

We design, develop, manufacture and market medical devices for the non-invasive treatment of wrinkles. We were incorporated in 1996 and received FDA clearance for treatment of periorbital wrinkles and commercially launched our ThermaCool system in 2002. In June 2004, we received FDA clearance for the treatment of facial wrinkles and rhytids. In December 2005, we received FDA clearance to market our ThermaCool system for the treatment of wrinkles and rhytids, without limitation to particular areas of the body. In October 2006, we received FDA clearance to market our ThermaCool system for the temporary improvement in the appearance of cellulite. In June 2007, we received clearance to market our ThermaCool system for treatment of wrinkles and rhytids for the upper and lower eyelids. Our patented and FDA-cleared ThermaCool system uses radiofrequency, or RF, energy to heat and shrink collagen and tighten tissue while simultaneously cooling and protecting the surface of the skin. The ThermaCool system consists primarily of an RF generator with cooling capability and a reusable handpiece, a variety of consumable, single-use ThermaTips that attach to the handpiece, and several other consumable accessories. We offer a variety of ThermaTips that a physician can select based on the areas of the body being treated. We currently offer four ThermaTip sizes in several configurations of pulse counts, pulse durations, heating depth and heating profiles for efficient implementation of treatment guidelines. As of December 31, 2007, we had an installed base of approximately 2,400 ThermaCool RF generators and had sold over 485,000 ThermaTips.

Significant Business Trends

We derive revenue primarily from the sale of ThermaTips and other consumables and sales of our ThermaCool RF generator. For the years ended December 31, 2005, 2006 and 2007 we derived 66%, 73% and 71% respectively, of our revenue from ThermaTip and other consumable sales, and 31%, 24% and 26% respectively, of our revenue from ThermaCool RF generator sales. The balance of our revenue is derived from product service and shipping. As the installed base of ThermaCool RF generators has grown, so too have grown the number of physicians performing our Thermage procedure, and, consequently, sales of disposable ThermaTips have increased as a percentage of revenue versus generator sales. We expect this trend to continue, and we expect to derive a greater percentage of our revenue from sales of ThermaTips and other consumables in the future. In February 2007, we introduced and began shipment of the ThermaCool NXT, our next generation system. The ThermaCool NXT is designed to save time, reduce procedure cost, simplify the treatment experience and improve patient comfort compared to our prior generator. Since the introduction of the ThermaCool NXT generator, customer demand for upgrade from the older generation product was higher than expected. For the year ended December 31, 2007, we sold 633 generators, which included sales of 355 systems to new customers and sales of 278 systems as upgrades to existing customers. This high demand for upgrade contributed to the increase in systems sales as a percentage of total sales from 2006 to 2007. In addition to the launch of the

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ThermaCool NXT generator during 2007, we also launched four new procedures and associated tips which included the STC ThermaTip and the DC ThermaTip. Both products were well received and comprised more than 50% of ThermaTip and other consumable tips sales in the fourth quarter of 2007. We intend to introduce more ThermaTip products and procedures, including a new tip that addresses cellulite, all of which we believe will help drive top line growth in 2008, increase sales of disposable ThermaTips as a greater percentage of our revenue, as well as an increase in average selling prices.

We market the ThermaCool system, including our single-use ThermaTips, in the United States to physicians, including primarily dermatologists and plastic surgeons, through a direct sales force and internationally in 83 countries through a network of 35 distributors. In the years ended December 31, 2005, 2006 and 2007, we derived 56%, 52% and 52%, respectively, of our revenue from sales of our products and services within the United States and 44%, 48% and 48%, respectively, of our revenue from sales of our products and services outside the United States. We believe that a significant portion of our business will continue to come from international sales through increased penetration in countries where we currently sell our ThermaCool system, combined with expansion into new international markets. The percentages of our revenue by region are presented in the below table:

	Years Ended December 31,		
	2007	2006	2005
United States	52%	52%	56%
Asia Pacific	21%	24%	23%
Europe/Middle East	17%	13%	11%
Rest of the world	10%	11%	10%
Total net revenue	100%	100%	100%

During the fourth quarter of 2007, we began to expand and realign our U.S. sales force to better address customer needs. We began to execute our plan to increase our U.S. sales force by about 50% in headcount and re-align resources into two groups, with about two-thirds of the sales force focusing on existing customers on sales of treatment tips, upgrades and training, and the remainder focusing on securing new accounts. To this end, we expect a proportionately larger increase in sales and marketing expenses to promote revenue growth and geographic expansion. We expect our operating expenses to increase in the future for research and development of new products and technologies, and increased general and administrative expenses to support our overall business and for regulatory compliance requirements.

Future operating results are difficult to predict accurately. We anticipate that our quarterly results of operations may fluctuate for the foreseeable future due to several factors, including the timing of introduction and the degree of acceptance of future product offerings, unanticipated interruptions and expenses related to our manufacturing operations, and the performance of our direct sales force and international distributors.

Significant Industry Factors

The growth of our business relies on our ability to continue to develop new products, applications and innovative technologies, obtain and maintain regulatory clearances for our products, protect our proprietary technology and products and our manufacturing processes, manufacture our products cost-effectively, and successfully market and distribute our products. Our industry is characterized by seasonally lower demand during the third calendar quarter of the year, when both physicians and prospective patients take summer vacations. Additionally, our industry is highly competitive and our success depends on our ability to compete successfully. Our business is sensitive to a number of factors that influence the levels of consumer spending, including political and economic conditions such as recessionary environments, the levels of disposable consumer income, consumer debt, interest rates and consumer confidence. Declines in consumer spending on aesthetic procedures could also have an adverse effect on our operating results. We have in the past noticed brief fluctuations both in

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demand for our products and in demand for our Thermage procedure, as well as in traffic to our website, following media coverage and promotional campaigns. We experience frequent positive, negative and neutral media coverage throughout a fiscal quarter. Our sales are also impacted by other factors outside of our control, such as prior patient and practicing physician recommendations. Consequently, while we believe that media exposure and other factors outside of our direct control play a role in our long-term success, to date we have not been able to quantify the impact of particular media exposure or media exposure, in general, and have not observed any material effect, positive or negative, on our operating results. A detailed discussion of these and other factors that impact our business is provided in the Risk Factors section in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

Our discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations is based upon our financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. The preparation of financial statements requires management to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, revenue and expenses, and disclosures at the date of the financial statements. On a periodic basis, we evaluate our estimates, including those related to accounts receivable, inventories and warranty reserve. We use authoritative pronouncements, historical experience and other assumptions as the basis for making estimates. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

We believe that the following critical accounting policies are affected by our more significant judgments and estimates used in the preparation of our financial statements.

Revenue Recognition

We recognize revenue in accordance with SEC Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 104. Product revenue is recognized when title and risk of ownership have been transferred, provided that persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, the price is fixed and determinable, remaining obligations are insignificant and collectibility is reasonably assured. Transfer of title and risk of ownership occur when the product is shipped to the customer. Revenue is recorded net of customer and distributor discounts. Revenue from the sale of extended service contracts for products beyond their warranty term is recognized on a straight-line basis over the period of the applicable extended contract. We also earn service revenue from customers outside of their warranty term or extended service contracts. Such service revenue is recognized as the services are provided.

Our ThermaCool RF generator sales in the United States typically have post-sale obligations of installation and training. These obligations are fulfilled after product shipment, and in these cases, we recognize revenue in accordance with the multiple element accounting guidance set forth in Emerging Issues Task Force No. 00-21, *Revenue Arrangements with Multiple Deliverables* (EITF 00-21). When we have objective and reliable evidence of fair value of the undelivered elements, we defer revenue attributable to the post-shipment obligations and recognize such revenue when the obligation is fulfilled. Otherwise, we will defer all revenue until all elements are delivered. Since the introduction of our new ThermaCool NXT generator in February 2007, we continued to sell our ThermaCool TC generator to customers in countries where we have not yet obtained approval on the new ThermaCool NXT generator. In accordance with EITF 00-21, we have deferred the fair value of the customer's right to upgrade to the ThermaCool NXT generator until the earlier of final delivery or expiration of such rights.

We sell to end-users in the United States and to distributors outside of the United States. Sales to distributors do not include return rights. We typically recognize revenues upon shipment for sales to our independent third party distributors as we have no continuing obligations subsequent to shipment, other than replacement parts warranty coverage. The distributors are responsible for all marketing, sales, installation, training and warranty services for our products. We do not provide price protection or stock rotation rights to any of our distributors. In addition, our distributor agreements do not allow the distributors to return or exchange products and the distributors are obligated to pay us for the sale regardless of whether the distributors are able to

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resell the product. For sales transactions with non-standard extended payment terms or when collectibility is not reasonably assured, we recognize revenue upon receipt of cash payment. At December 31, 2006 and 2007, we had deferred revenue balances of \$0.2 million and \$41,000, respectively, related to sales transactions with extended payment terms.

Cash and Cash Equivalents and Marketable Investments

We consider all highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less at the time of purchase to be cash equivalents. We account for our investment in marketable investments in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 115, *Accounting for Certain Investments in Debt and Equity Securities*. Marketable investments are carried at fair value and consist of corporate debt securities, certificates of deposits and auction rate securities which are accounted for as available-for-sale securities held for use in current operations and are classified in current assets as Marketable Investments. Available-for-sale securities with maturities greater than twelve months are classified as short term as they represent investments for cash that are available for use in current operations.

Realized gains and losses on marketable investments are included in earnings and are determined using the specific identification method. Unrealized holding gains and losses on marketable investments classified as available-for-sale, are excluded from earnings and are reported in accumulated other comprehensive income, net of related tax effects. The amortized cost of debt securities is adjusted for amortization of premium and accretion of discounts to maturity. Such amortization and accretion is included in interest income.

Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable are typically unsecured and derived from revenues earned from customers. We maintain an allowance for doubtful accounts for estimated losses resulting from the inability of our customers to make required payments. We estimate appropriate allowances based upon any specific customer collection issues that we have identified. Our assessment of the ability of our customers to pay generally includes direct contact with the customer, a review of their financial status, as well as consideration of their payment history with us. Allowance for doubtful accounts was \$31,000 and \$82,000 at December 31, 2006 and 2007, respectively. Doubtful account write-offs have been insignificant during the years ended December 31, 2005, 2006 and 2007.

Warranty Reserve

We provide for the estimated cost of product warranties at the time revenue is recognized. As we sell new products to our customers, we must exercise considerable judgment in estimating the expected failure rates. Should actual product failure rates, material usage or service delivery costs differ from our estimates, revisions to the estimated warranty liability would be required. Our estimated warranty liability was \$0.3 million and \$0.6 million at December 31, 2006 and 2007, respectively. We offer a three year warranty for systems sold in the United States and a one year replacement parts warranty for systems sold to distributors outside of the United States. We also provide a warranty for our consumable products.

Inventory

We state our inventories at the lower of cost or market value, cost being determined on a standard cost basis (which approximates actual cost on a first-in, first-out basis) and market value being determined as the lower of replacement cost or net realizable value. Standard costs are monitored on a monthly basis and updated quarterly and as necessary to reflect changes in raw material costs and labor and overhead rates. Inventory reserves are established when conditions indicate that the selling price could be less than cost due to physical deterioration, usage, obsolescence, reductions in estimated future demand and reductions in selling prices. Inventory reserves are charged to cost of revenue and establish a lower cost basis for the inventory. We balance

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the need to maintain strategic inventory levels with the risk of obsolescence due to changing technology and customer demand levels. Unfavorable changes in market conditions may result in a need for additional inventory reserves that could adversely impact our gross margins. Conversely, favorable changes in demand could result in higher gross margins. Our inventory reserves as of December 31, 2006 and 2007 were \$0.4 million and \$0.7 million, respectively.

Litigation and Claims

We routinely assess the likelihood of any adverse judgments or outcomes related to legal matters and claims, as well as ranges of probable losses. A determination of the amount of the reserves required, if any, for these contingencies is made after thoughtful analysis of each known issue and an analysis of historical experience in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 5, *Accounting for Contingencies*, or SFAS No. 5, and related pronouncements. Also, in accordance with SFAS No. 5, we do not record gain contingencies.

Income Taxes

We account for income taxes under the liability method. Under this method, we determine deferred tax assets and liabilities at the balance sheet date based upon the difference 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 affect taxable income. The tax consequences of most events recognized in the current year's financial statements are included in determining income taxes currently payable. However, because tax laws and financial accounting standards differ in their recognition and measurement of assets, liabilities, equity, revenues, expenses and gains and losses, differences arise between the amount of taxable income and pretax financial income for a year and between the tax bases of assets or liabilities and their reported amounts in our financial statements. Because it is assumed that the reported amounts of assets and liabilities will be recovered and settled, respectively, a difference between the tax basis of an asset or a liability and its reported amount on the balance sheet will result in a taxable or a deductible amount in some future years when the related liabilities are settled or the reported amounts of the assets are recovered. We then assess the likelihood that our deferred tax assets will be recovered from future taxable income and unless we believe that recovery is more likely than not, we must establish a valuation allowance to reduce the deferred tax assets to the amounts expected to be realized. As part of the process of preparing our financial statements, we are required to estimate our income taxes. This process involves estimating our current tax liability, together with assessing temporary differences that may result in deferred tax assets.

Based on the weight of available evidence, which includes our historical operating performance, lack of taxable income and our accumulated deficit, we have provided a full valuation allowance against our net deferred tax asset at December 31, 2006 and 2007. If we are able to demonstrate consistent profitability in the future, and we are able to establish that recovery is more likely than not, we would reduce the valuation allowance at a future date. As of December 31, 2007, we had net operating loss carryforwards of approximately \$27.4 million and \$17.1 million, for federal and state tax purposes, respectively. If not utilized, these carryforwards will begin to expire in 2011 for federal and in 2010 for state income tax purposes. As of December 31, 2007, we had research and development credit carryforwards of approximately \$1.0 million and \$0.6 million for federal and state income tax purposes, respectively. If not utilized, the federal carryforwards will expire in various amounts beginning in 2011. The California tax credit can be carried forward indefinitely. The Internal Revenue Code Section 382 limits the use of net operating loss and tax credit carryforwards in certain situations where changes occur in the stock ownership of a company. In such an event, utilization of the carryforwards could be restricted.

Stock-Based Compensation Expense

Prior to January 1, 2006, we accounted for stock-based employee compensation arrangements in accordance with the provisions of Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 25, *Accounting for Stock Issued to*

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Employees, or APB No. 25, and its interpretations and complied with the disclosure provisions of SFAS No. 123, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation*. Under APB No. 25, compensation expense is based on the difference, if any, on the date of the grant, between the fair value of our stock and the exercise price. Employee stock-based compensation is amortized on a straight-line basis over the vesting period of the underlying options. SFAS No. 123 defines a fair value based method of accounting for an employee stock option or similar equity investment.

During the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2006, we issued stock options to certain employees with exercise prices below the fair market value of our common stock at the date of grant, determined with hindsight. In accordance with the requirements of APB No. 25, we have recorded deferred stock-based compensation for the difference between the exercise price of the stock options granted and the fair market value of our stock at the date of grant, determined with hindsight. During the year ended December 31, 2005, we recorded deferred stock-based compensation related to these options of \$3.9 million. This deferred stock based compensation is amortized to expense on a straight-line basis over the period during which the options vest, generally four years. Amortization of deferred stock-based compensation was \$0.3 millions and \$0.2 million during the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2006, respectively.

Effective January 1, 2006, we adopted the fair value provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123R, *Share-Based Payment*, or SFAS No. 123R, which supersedes previous accounting under APB No. 25. SFAS No. 123R requires the recognition of compensation expense, using a fair-value based method, for costs related to all share-based payments including stock options. SFAS No. 123R requires companies to estimate the fair value of share-based payment awards on the date of grant using an option-pricing model. We adopted SFAS No. 123R using the prospective transition method, which requires that for nonpublic entities that used the minimum value method for either pro forma or financial statement recognition purposes, SFAS No. 123R shall be applied to option awards granted, modified, repurchased or cancelled after the required effective date. For options granted prior to the SFAS No. 123R effective date, which the requisite service period has not been performed as of January 1, 2006, we will continue to recognize compensation expense on the remaining unvested awards under the intrinsic-value method of APB No. 25. For options accounted for under APB No. 25 that were granted prior to January 1, 2006 and then modified after January 1, 2006, we will apply SFAS No. 123R to these option grants upon the date of modification. All option grants valued after January 1, 2006 will be expensed on a straight-line basis.

Under SFAS No. 123R, we calculated the fair value of the stock option grants using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model. For the year ended December 31, 2007, the fair value was based on the following weighted average assumptions: expected term of 4.18 years; expected volatility of 54%; risk free interest rate of 4.47% and dividend yield of 0.00%. For the year ended December 31, 2006, the fair value was based on the following weighted average assumptions: expected term of 4.25 years; expected volatility of 55%; risk free interest rate of 4.77% and dividend yield of 0.0%. Estimated volatility used in 2006 and 2007 reflect the application of SAB 107 interpretive guidance and, accordingly, due to a lack of historical information regarding the volatility of our stock price, incorporates historical and volatility of similar public entities in the aesthetics market. The expected term has been computed based upon the vesting term, cancellation history, historical exercises and contractual term of the options. Future expense amounts for any particular quarterly or annual period could be affected by changes in our assumptions or changes in market conditions. The aggregate intrinsic value of the outstanding options vested and expected to vest at December 31, 2007 was \$9.5 million, based upon the fair market value of common stock at December 31, 2007 of \$5.78 per share.

We account for equity instruments issued to non-employees in accordance with the provisions of SFAS No. 123 and Emerging Issues Task Force No. 96-18, *Accounting for Equity Instruments That Are Issued to Other Than Employees for Acquiring, or in Conjunction with Selling, Goods or Services*. Equity instruments issued to non-employees are recorded at their fair value on the measurement date and are subject to periodic adjustment as the underlying equity instruments vest. Non-employee stock-based compensation charges are amortized over the vesting period, on a straight-line basis.

Table of Contents**Results of Operations*****Years Ended December 31, 2006 and December 31, 2007***

Net Revenue. Revenue is derived from the sale of single-use ThermaTips and other consumables, systems sales, and service and other revenue. Net revenue increased \$8.8 million, or 16%, from \$54.3 million to \$63.1 million for the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2007, respectively. Sales of ThermaTips and other consumables increased \$5.7 million, or 14%, from \$39.4 million to \$45.1 million for the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2007, respectively. Sales of systems increased \$3.0 million, or 23%, from \$13.3 million to \$16.3 million for the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2007, respectively. Product unit volume of ThermaTips was 130,690 units and 136,000 units for the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2007, respectively. Product unit volume of our ThermaCool RF generator was 437 units and 633 units for the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2007, respectively. International sales to distributors accounted for 48% of revenue for each of the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2007. The increase in revenue in ThermaTips and other consumables was driven by continued demand of our 3.0cm² ThermaTip and the newly-introduced STC and DC ThermaTips, which command higher average selling prices. The increase in sales of systems was primarily driven by higher than expected demand to upgrade from our existing installed base.

Cost of Revenue. Our cost of revenue consists primarily of material, labor and manufacturing overhead expenses. Gross margin was 74.7% in the year ended December 31, 2007, compared with 71.9% in the same period in 2006. The increase in gross margin as a percent of revenue in 2007 was primarily due to higher average selling price of ThermaTips, increase in sales volume and direct cost reductions in ThermaTips and systems, partially offset by a higher sales mix towards the lower margin system product.

Sales and Marketing. Sales and marketing expenses consist primarily of personnel costs and costs related to customer-attended workshops and trade shows and advertising, as well as marketing and customer service expenses. Sales and marketing expenses increased \$2.1 million, or 9%, from \$24.1 million to \$26.2 million for the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2007, respectively. The increase was primarily attributable to an increase of \$1.2 million in personnel and commission costs and related travel expenses associated with the expansion of our sales force and marketing staff, as well as an increase of \$0.4 million in support of the launch of new products, new procedures and associated ThermaTips and an increase of \$0.5 million in stock-based compensation charges.

Research and Development. Research and development expenses consist primarily of personnel costs, clinical and regulatory costs, material costs and regulatory and quality assurance costs not directly related to the manufacturing of our products. Research and development expenses decreased \$0.5 million, or 6%, from \$9.6 million to \$9.1 million for the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2007, respectively. The decrease was primarily related to cost reductions in clinical studies of about \$0.5 million and savings in travel expenses of \$0.2 million, which were partially offset by an increase of \$0.2 million in stock-based compensation charges.

General and Administrative. General and administrative expenses consist primarily of personnel costs, legal and accounting fees, information technology costs, human resources costs and other general operating expenses. General and administrative expenses increased \$1.3 million, or 13%, from \$10.0 million to \$11.3 million for the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2007, respectively. The increase was primarily attributable to \$0.5 million in professional fees and insurance and other expenses in connection with being a public company, an increase of \$0.3 million in legal fees incurred related to patents, as well as an increase of \$0.3 million in stock-based compensation charges.

Interest and Other Income. Interest and other income consists primarily of interest income generated from our cash, cash equivalent and marketable investments. Interest and other income increased \$1.7 million, or 228%, from \$0.8 million to \$2.5 million for the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2007, respectively due to higher average cash balances resulting from the proceeds of our initial public offering in November 2006.

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Interest, Warrants and Other Expense. Interest, warrants and other expense in 2006 consists primarily of \$0.8 million interest expense on our borrowings partially offset by \$0.8 million gain recorded from changes in the fair value of our convertible preferred stock warrants under FSP 150-5. Subsequent to our initial public offering, we repaid our borrowings. The majority of our convertible preferred stock warrants were exercised upon our initial public offering, with additional preferred stock warrants for 27,778 shares of preferred stock converted into warrants for common stock. As a result, we incurred no interest expense nor charges related to change in the fair value of our convertible preferred stock warrants during 2007.

Provision for Income Taxes. Provision for income taxes for the year ended December 31, 2007 was \$271,000, compared with zero provision for income taxes in 2006. Our effective tax rate of 9%, comprised primarily of alternative minimum tax and increase in unrecognized tax benefits and differs from the federal statutory rate of 34% due primarily to the utilization of net operating loss carryforwards. In the year ended December 31, 2006, no provision for income taxes was recorded as a result of our losses.

Years Ended December 31, 2005 and December 31, 2006

Net Revenue. Revenue is derived from the sale of single-use ThermaTips and other consumables, ThermaCool RF generator sales, and service and other revenue. Net revenue increased \$13.6 million, or 34%, from \$40.7 million to \$54.3 million for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2006, respectively. Sales of ThermaTips and other consumables increased \$12.4 million, or 46%, from \$27.0 million to \$39.4 million for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2006, respectively. Sales of ThermaCool RF generator increased \$0.7 million, or 6%, from \$12.6 million to \$13.3 million for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2006, respectively. Product unit volume of ThermaTips was 83,660 units and 130,690 units for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2006, respectively. Product unit volume of our ThermaCool RF generator was 408 units and 437 units for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2006, respectively. International sales to distributors accounted for 44% and 48% of revenue for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2006, respectively. The increase in revenue was driven by increased adoption of our 3.0 cm² ThermaTip, the introduction of our new 0.25 cm² ThermaTip and expansion into new international markets, partially offset by lower average selling prices beginning in April 2005.

Cost of Revenue. Our cost of revenue consists primarily of material, labor and manufacturing overhead expenses. Cost of revenue increased \$3.0 million, or 24%, from \$12.3 million to \$15.3 million for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2006, respectively. The increase was primarily due to the increased volume of ThermaTips and other consumables sold. Gross margin was 70% and 72% for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2006, respectively.

Sales and Marketing. Sales and marketing expenses consist primarily of personnel costs and costs related to customer-attended workshops and trade shows, marketing, customer service and business development. Sales and marketing expenses increased \$4.1 million, or 20%, from \$20.0 million to \$24.1 million for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2006, respectively. The increase was primarily attributable to an increase of \$2.8 million in personnel and commission costs and related travel expenses associated with the expansion of our international sales force and marketing staff, as well as an increase of \$0.2 million in promotional costs primarily due to an increased number of customer workshops, trade shows and promotional efforts and an increase in stock-based compensation charges of \$1.1 million.

Research and Development. Research and development expenses consist primarily of personnel costs, clinical and regulatory costs, material costs and regulatory and quality assurance costs not directly related to the manufacturing of our products. Research and development expenses increased \$0.7 million, or 8%, from \$8.9 million to \$9.6 million for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2006, respectively. The increase was primarily related to increased stock-based compensation charges of \$0.5 million, higher personnel costs of \$0.4 million, partially offset by lower clinical studies costs and other research and development discretionary spending of \$0.2 million.

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General and Administrative. General and administrative expenses consist primarily of personnel costs, legal and accounting fees, information technology costs, human resources costs and other general operating expenses. General and administrative expenses increased \$2.6 million, or 35%, from \$7.4 million to \$10.0 million for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2006, respectively. The increase was primarily attributable to expenses incurred in connection with the November 2006 initial public offering of \$0.9 million, an increase in stock-based compensation charges of \$1.4 million and higher employee related and other expenses of \$0.3 million.

Litigation Settlement. In June 2005, we reached an agreement with Syneron that settled patent-related claims of the parties against each other. Under this agreement, the parties granted each other non-exclusive paid-up licenses under the patents in the suit and related patents. We received a one-time payment of \$1.8 million, recorded net of certain legal expenses as \$1.6 million. The license granted to Syneron excludes the right to utilize our monopolar RF and capacitive electrical coupling and the license granted to us excludes the right to utilize Syneron's Electro-Optical Synergy technology.

Interest and Other Income. Interest and other income consists primarily of interest income generated from our cash and cash equivalent balances. Interest and other income increased \$0.5 million, or 126%, from \$0.3 million to \$0.8 million for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2006, respectively due to higher average cash balances resulting from the proceeds of our initial public offering and GE Capital borrowings.

Interest, Warrants and Other Expense. Interest, warrants and other expense consists primarily of interest expense on our borrowings and changes in the fair value of our convertible preferred stock warrants under FSP 150-5. Interest and other expense decreased \$1.4 million from \$1.5 million to \$55,000 for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2006, respectively. The decrease was primarily attributable to \$2.3 million decrease in the fair value of the convertible preferred stock warrants, partially offset by increase in interest expense of \$0.8 million.

Change in Accounting Principles. Freestanding warrants related to our redeemable convertible preferred stock are accounted for in accordance with FSP 150-5 which requires that the warrants be classified as liabilities and recorded at fair value at the end of each reporting period. FSP 150-5 was adopted during the year ended December 31, 2005. A charge of \$0.7 million was recorded in 2005 in connection with the change in accounting principle upon the adoption of FSP 150-5.

Stock-Based Compensation

For the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2006 and 2007, employee and non-employee stock-based compensation expense has been allocated as follows (in thousands):

	Years Ended December 31,		
	2007	2006	2005
Cost of revenue	\$ 288	\$ 73	\$ 4
Sales and marketing	1,796	1,306	216
Research and development	903	666	124
General and administrative	1,811	1,472	112
Total stock-based compensation expense	\$ 4,798	\$ 3,517	\$ 456

We recorded stock-based compensation expense of \$0.5 million, \$3.5 million and \$4.8 million in the years ended December 31, 2005, 2006 and 2007, respectively. At December 31, 2007, the total compensation cost related to stock-based awards granted or modified under SFAS 123R to employees and directors but not yet recognized was approximately \$7.2 million, net of estimated forfeitures. We will amortize this cost on a straight-line basis over the remaining weighted average period of approximately 2.6 years.

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During March 2006, we repriced stock option awards held by 116 of our employees. Under the terms of this repricing, we repriced certain employee stock options having an exercise price of \$2.00 or above to an exercise price of \$1.90 per share. Other than the exercise price, all other terms of the repriced options, such as vesting and contractual life, remained the same. In consideration for the repricing of eligible stock option awards, employees who were previously granted stock option awards on February 2, 2005 were also required to return these awards for cancellation. As a result of this repricing, we repriced options to purchase 447,565 vested shares and options to purchase 1,523,035 unvested shares having a weighted average original exercise price of \$4.18 and \$4.10, respectively. Such options were repriced at a new exercise price of \$1.90 per share. As a result of this repricing, we also cancelled 35,216 outstanding employee options with an original exercise price of \$4.00 that were granted on February 2, 2005. We have accounted for the repricing and cancellation transactions as a modification under SFAS No. 123R and recorded any net incremental fair value related to vested awards as compensation expense on the date of modification. In accordance with SFAS No. 123R, we recorded the incremental fair value related to the unvested awards, together with unamortized stock-based compensation expense associated with the unvested awards, over the remaining requisite service period of the option holders. In connection with the repricing, we recorded stock-based compensation expense of \$2.0 million and \$1.4 million in the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2007, respectively.

In connection with the repricing of stock options during the year ended December 31, 2006, we followed the provisions of SFAS No. 123R and eliminated deferred stock-based compensation amounts of approximately \$3.3 million related to the repriced stock options. Stock compensation charges for the repriced options will be recorded in accordance with SFAS No. 123R.

Stock-based compensation expense related to stock options granted to non-employees is recognized on a straight-line basis. The options generally vest ratably over four years. The values attributable to these options are amortized over the service period and the unvested portion of these options are remeasured as the services are provided and the options are earned. The stock-based compensation expense will fluctuate as the deemed fair value of the common stock fluctuates. In connection with the grant of stock options to non-employees, we recorded stock-based compensation expense of \$132,000, \$200,000 and \$128,000 for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2006 and 2007, respectively.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

While we have had five consecutive quarters of profitable results since 2006, we have not demonstrated sustained annual profitability. Prior to our initial public offering in November 2006, we funded our operations principally from the issuance of our preferred stock that resulted in aggregate net proceeds of \$45.2 million. In addition, in 2005, we obtained a working capital line with GE Capital on which we drew \$2.5 million in November 2005, bearing interest at the rate of 10.2% per annum, and \$2.5 million in December 2005, bearing interest at the rate of 10.6% per annum. On November 9, 2006, we completed an initial public offering of 6,000,000 shares of our common stock at \$7.00 per share. Additionally, on December 8, 2006, the underwriters partially exercised their over-allotment option and purchased 150,000 shares at \$7.00 per share. We raised approximately \$38.3 million, net of underwriting discounts, commissions and other offering costs. Upon the closing of the offering, all of our outstanding shares of preferred stock converted on a one-to-one basis into 12,406,134 shares of common stock. Upon the completion of our initial public offering, we repaid the outstanding balance and interests on the working capital line.

On December 31, 2007, we had working capital of \$55.8 million, which consists primarily of \$52.4 million in cash, cash equivalents and marketable investments. Our investment portfolio primarily includes fixed rate debt instruments of corporate issuers, fixed rate Euro bonds, certificates of deposit and auction rate securities. All auction rate securities held at December 31, 2007 have been liquidated in February 2008 without any loss.

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The following table discloses aggregate information about our contractual obligations and the periods in which payments are due as of December 31, 2007 (in thousands):

	Total	Payments Due by Period	
		Less than 1 year	1-3 Years
Operating leases	\$ 2,903	\$ 989	\$ 1,914
Total contractual obligations	\$ 2,903	\$ 989	\$ 1,914

We adopted Financial Accounting Standard Board (FASB) Interpretation No. 48, *Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes* an interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109 (FIN 48) on January 1, 2007. At December 31, 2007, our expected payment for contractual obligations includes \$0.2 million of gross liability for uncertain tax positions associated with the adoption of FIN 48, although we cannot estimate the timing of cash settlement of this liability. This amount does not include any amount receivable that may arise from the settlement of uncertain tax positions. See Note 11 to our financial statements.

Years Ended December 31, 2006 and December 31, 2007

Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities. Net cash provided by operating activities was \$1.2 million and \$5.9 million for the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2007, respectively. During 2006, \$0.5 million net cash was provided by operating loss after adjusting for non-cash items. An additional \$0.7 million net cash was provided by changes in assets and liabilities. Cash provided by changes in assets and liabilities was primarily from \$2.1 million of increased accrued and other liabilities balance due to increased levels of bonus and payroll related expenses. Such increase in cash was partially offset by \$0.4 million of cash used to support a higher accounts receivable balance, payment of \$0.4 million of prepaid expenses and payment of \$0.6 million accounts payable. During 2007, \$9.0 million net cash was provided from net income after adjusting for non-cash items, which was offset by \$3.1 million net cash used in assets and liabilities. Cash was used in increase of accounts receivable and purchase of inventories in support of actual and anticipated increases in revenue. This was partially offset by cash provided from higher deferred revenue as a result of deferral of revenue on sales of our predecessor generators with rights to upgrade to the new ThermaCool NXT generator.

Net Cash Used in Investing Activities. Net cash used in investing activities was \$0.8 million and \$39.5 million for the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2007, respectively. Our investing activities in 2006 consisted principally of property and equipment purchases. In addition to purchases of property and equipment, in the third quarter of 2007 we began to purchase and sell marketable investments.

Net Cash Provided by Financing Activities. Net cash provided by financing activities was \$35.3 million and \$1.3 million for the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2007, respectively. In 2006, the increase in cash provided by financing was primarily from proceeds from our initial public offering, proceeds from exercise of stock options and preferred stock warrants, collection of a note receivable from a stockholder, partially offset by repayment of \$5.0 million of the working capital line with GE Capital. In 2007, cash provided from financing activities was primarily from proceeds from exercise of stock options and employee stock purchase plans and collection of a note receivable from a stockholder, partially offset by payment of initial public offering costs.

Years Ended December 31, 2005 and December 31, 2006

Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Operating Activities. Net cash used in operating activities was \$4.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2005 and net cash provided by operating activities was \$1.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2006. During 2005, \$3.4 million net cash was used by operating activities primarily from net loss after adjusting for non-cash items. An additional \$0.9 million net cash used by changes in assets and liabilities, driven by an increase in accounts receivables of \$1.7 million, an increase in prepaid expenses of \$0.4 million, a decrease in payables and accrued liabilities of \$0.2 million, and a decline in inventories of \$1.6 million. The increase in accounts receivable was the result of changing our distributor

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standard payment terms from upfront payment to payment within 30 days of shipment. The decrease in payables and accrued liabilities was due to decreased levels of accrued state sales tax and inventory as a result of lower revenue. The decline in inventories was a result of aligning inventory levels with changes in forecasted customer demand. During 2006, \$0.5 million net cash was provided by operating loss after adjusting for non-cash items. An additional \$0.7 million net cash was provided by changes in assets and liabilities. Cash provided by changes in assets and liabilities was primarily from \$2.1 million of increased in accrued and other liabilities balance due to increased levels of bonus and payroll related expenses. Such increase in cash from increased amounts in accrued liabilities was partially offset by \$0.4 million of cash used to support higher accounts receivable balance, payment of \$0.4 million of prepaid expenses and payment of \$0.6 million accounts payable.

Net Cash Used in Investing Activities. Net cash used in investing activities was \$2.3 million and \$0.8 million for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2006, respectively. Our investing activities in the 2005 and 2006 periods consisted principally of property and equipment purchases of \$2.2 million in 2005 and \$0.9 million in 2006. Expenditures were higher in 2005 as a result of outfitting our new corporate and manufacturing facility that we moved into at the end of 2004.

Net Cash Provided by Financing Activities. Net cash provided by financing activities was \$5.0 million and \$35.3 million for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2006, respectively. In 2005, the increase in cash provided by financing was primarily attributable to \$5.0 million drawn on a working capital line with GE Capital. In 2006, the increase in cash provided by financing was primarily from proceeds from our initial public offering, proceeds from exercise of stock options and preferred stock warrants, collection of a note receivable from a stockholder, partially offset by repayment of \$5.0 million of the working capital line with GE Capital.

Our future capital requirements depend on a number of factors, including the rate of market acceptance of our current and future products, the resources we devote to developing and supporting our products, and continued progress of our research and development of new products.

We expect to increase capital expenditures consistent with our anticipated growth in manufacturing, infrastructure and personnel. We also may increase our capital expenditures as we expand our product lines or invest to address new markets.

We believe that our current cash and investment balances and cash generated from operations, will be sufficient to meet our anticipated cash needs for working capital and capital expenditures for at least the next 12 months. If existing cash and cash generated from operations are insufficient to satisfy our liquidity requirements, we may seek to sell additional equity or debt securities or obtain an additional credit facility. The sale of additional equity or convertible debt securities could result in dilution to our stockholders. If additional funds are raised through the issuance of debt securities, these securities could have rights senior to those associated with our common stock, and could contain covenants that would restrict our operations. Any additional financing may not be available in amounts or on terms acceptable to us, or at all. If we are unable to obtain this additional financing, we may be required to reduce the scope of our planned product development and marketing efforts.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

We do not have any relationships with unconsolidated entities or financial partnerships, such as entities often referred to as structured finance or special purpose entities, which would have been established for the purpose of facilitating off-balance sheet arrangements or other contractually narrow or limited purposes. In addition, we do not have any undisclosed borrowings or debt, and we have not entered into any synthetic leases. We are, therefore, not materially exposed to any financing, liquidity, market or credit risk that could arise if we engaged in such relationships.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In September 2006, the FASB issued SFAS No. 157, *Fair Value Measurements*. This statement clarifies the definition of fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value, and expands the disclosures on fair

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value measurements. SFAS No. 157 is effective for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007. However, on December 14, 2007, the FASB issued FASB Staff Position FAS157-2, which deferred the effective date of SFAS No. 157 for one year, as it relates to non-financial assets and liabilities. We have not determined the effect, if any, the adoption of this statement will have on our results of operations or financial position.

In February 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 159, *The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities – including an amendment of FAS115* (SFAS No. 159). SFAS No. 159 allows companies to choose, at specified election dates, to measure eligible financial assets and liabilities at fair value that are not otherwise required to be measured at fair value. Unrealized gains and losses shall be reported on items for which the fair value option has been elected in earnings at each subsequent reporting date. SFAS No. 159 also establishes presentation and disclosure requirements. SFAS No. 159 is effective for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007 and will be applied prospectively. We are currently evaluating the impact of adopting SFAS No. 159 on our financial statements.

In December 2007, the FASB issued Statement No. 141 (revised), *Business Combinations* (SFAS No. 141(R)). The statement changes the accounting for business combinations including the measurement of acquirer shares issued in consideration for a business combination, the recognition of contingent consideration, the accounting for preacquisition gain and loss contingencies, the recognition of capitalized in-process research and development, the accounting for acquisition-related restructuring cost accruals, the treatment of acquisition related transaction costs and the recognition of changes in the acquirer's income tax valuation allowance. SFAS 141(R) is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008, with early adoption prohibited. We are currently evaluating the impact of the pending adoption of SFAS 141(R) on our consolidated financial statements and do not expect any significant impact on the results of operations and financial position upon adoption.

In December 2007, the FASB issued Statement No. 160, *Non-controlling Interests in Consolidated Financial Statements, an amendment of ARB No. 51* (SFAS 160). The standard changes the accounting for non-controlling (minority) interests in consolidated financial statements including the requirements to classify non-controlling interests as a component of consolidated stockholders' equity, and the elimination of minority interest accounting in results of operations with earnings attributable to non-controlling interests reported as part of consolidated earnings. Additionally, SFAS 160 revises the accounting for both increases and decreases in a parent's controller ownership interest. SFAS 160 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008, with early adoption prohibited. We are currently evaluating the impact of the pending adoption of SFAS 160 on our results of operations and financial position.

Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

Our exposure to credit and interest rate risk relates primarily to our investment portfolio. Our investment portfolio primarily includes fixed rate debt instruments of corporate issuers, fixed rate Euro bonds, certificates of deposit and auction rate securities. All auction rate securities held at December 31, 2007 have been liquidated in February 2008 without any loss. A change in prevailing interest rates may cause the fair value of our investments to fluctuate. For example, if we hold a security that was issued with a fixed interest rate at the then-prevailing rate and the prevailing rate rises, the fair value of the principal amount of our investment will probably decline. To minimize the exposure due to adverse shifts in interest rates, we maintain investments at a weighted average maturity of generally one year or less. Due to the short-term nature of these investments, we believe we have no material exposure to interest rate risk arising from our investments. Assuming a hypothetical change in interest rate of one percentage point, the fair value of our total investment portfolio as of December 31, 2007 would have potentially changed by \$350,000.

Although, currently, all of our sales and purchases are denominated in U.S. dollars, future fluctuations in the value of the U.S. dollar may affect the price competitiveness of our products. We do not believe, however, that we currently have significant direct foreign currency exchange rate risk and have not hedged exposures denominated in foreign currencies.

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Item 8. *Financial Statements and Supplementary Data*

THERMAGE, INC.

ANNUAL REPORT ON FORM 10-K

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The following Financial Statement Schedule of the Registrant for the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005 is filed as part of this Report as required to be included in Item 8 and should be read in conjunction with the Financial Statements of the Registrant:

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All other required schedules are omitted because of the absence of conditions under which they are required or because the required information is given in the Financials Statements or the Notes thereto.

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of

Thermage, Inc.

In our opinion, the accompanying balance sheets and related statements of operations, of stockholders' equity (deficit), and of cash flows present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Thermage, Inc. at December 31, 2007 and 2006, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2007 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. In addition, in our opinion, the financial statement schedule listed in the accompanying index presents fairly, in all material respects, the information set forth therein when read in conjunction with the related financial statements. Also in our opinion, the Company maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2007, based on criteria established in Internal Control - Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). The Company's management is responsible for these financial statements and financial statement schedule, for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting included in Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting, appearing under Item 9A. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements, on the financial statement schedule, and on the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audits which was an integrated audit in 2007. We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement and whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audits of the financial statements included examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. Our audit of internal control over financial reporting included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. Our audits also included performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinions.

As discussed in Note 11 to the financial statements, the Company changed the manner in which it accounts for uncertain tax positions in 2007.

As discussed in Note 2 to the financial statements, the Company changed the manner in which it accounts for share-based compensation in 2006.

As discussed in Note 3 to the financial statements, the Company changed the manner in which it accounts for free-standing warrants and other instruments on shares that are redeemable in 2005.

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

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

/s/ PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

San Jose, California

March 13, 2008

Table of Contents**Thermage, Inc.****BALANCE SHEETS**

<i>(in thousands of dollars, except share and per share data)</i>	December 31,	
	2007	2006
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 13,650	\$ 45,915
Marketable investments	38,707	
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts in 2007 and 2006 of \$82 and \$31, respectively	4,809	3,285
Inventories, net	6,639	5,219
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	1,782	1,717
Total current assets	65,587	56,136
Property and equipment, net	3,000	3,638
Other assets	140	101
Total assets	\$ 68,727	\$ 59,875
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY		
Liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 1,341	\$ 1,398
Accrued liabilities	6,850	7,372
Current portion of deferred revenue	1,544	1,151
Customer deposits	18	62
Total current liabilities	9,753	9,983
Deferred rent, net of current portion	47	55
Deferred revenue, net of current portion	601	716
Other liabilities	208	
Total liabilities	10,609	10,754
Commitments and contingencies (Note 6)		
Stockholders' equity:		
Preferred stock, \$0.001 par value:		
Authorized: 10,000,000 shares at December 31, 2007 and 2006		
Issued and outstanding: none at December 31, 2007 and 2006		
Common stock, \$0.001 par value:		
Authorized: 100,000,000 shares at December 31, 2007 and 2006		
Issued and outstanding: 23,605,415 and 22,906,851 shares at December 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively	24	23
Additional paid-in capital	99,588	93,418
Deferred stock-based compensation	(4)	(6)
Notes receivable from stockholders		(125)
Accumulated other comprehensive income	19	
Accumulated deficit	(41,509)	(44,189)
Total stockholders' equity	58,118	49,121
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 68,727	\$ 59,875

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

Table of Contents**Thermage, Inc.****STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS**

<i>(in thousands of dollars, except share and per share data)</i>	Years Ended December 31,		
	2007	2006	2005
Net revenue	\$ 63,101	\$ 54,320	\$ 40,655
Cost of revenue	15,976	15,259	12,309
Gross margin	47,125	39,061	28,346
Operating expenses			
Sales and marketing	26,195	24,071	19,997
Research and development	9,099	9,639	8,908
General and administrative	11,300	9,973	7,414
Litigation settlement gain			(1,646)
Total operating expenses	46,594	43,683	34,673
Income (loss) from operations	531	(4,622)	(6,327)
Interest and other income	2,520	768	340
Interest, warrants and other expenses		(55)	(1,549)
Income (loss) before income taxes and cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	3,051	(3,909)	(7,536)
Provision for income taxes	(271)		
Net income (loss) before cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	2,780	(3,909)	(7,536)
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle (Note 3)			(697)
Net income (loss)	\$ 2,780	\$ (3,909)	\$ (8,233)
Net income (loss) per share basic and diluted:			
Before cumulative effect of change in accounting principle			\$ (2.06)
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle (Note 3)			(0.19)
Net income (loss) per share basic	\$ 0.12	\$ (0.60)	\$ (2.25)
Net income (loss) per share diluted	\$ 0.11	\$ (0.60)	\$ (2.25)
Weighted average shares outstanding used in calculating net income (loss) per common share:			
Basic	23,241,031	6,561,648	3,664,990
Diluted	24,884,458	6,561,648	3,664,990

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

Table of Contents**Thermage, Inc.****STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY (DEFICIT)**

<i>(in thousands of dollars, except share amounts)</i>	Common Stock		Additional Paid-In Capital	Deferred Stock-Based Compensation	Notes Receivable from Stockholders	Accumulated Deficit	Accumulated Comprehensive Income	Total Equity (Deficit)
	Shares	Amount						
Balances, December 31, 2004	4,086,328	\$ 4	\$ 3,227	\$	\$ (624)	\$ (32,047)	\$	\$ (29,440)
Exercise of stock options	51,446		47					47
Issuance of stock options in connection with 2004 employee bonus accrual			73					73
Interest receivable on notes for exercise of stock options					(20)			(20)
Deferred stock-based employee compensation			3,865	(3,865)				
Amortization of deferred stock-based employee compensation				324				324
Nonemployee stock compensation expense			132					132
Reduction of notes receivable upon common stock repurchase	(100,000)		(46)		46			
Reclassification of preferred stock warrants upon adoption of FSP No. 150-5			(1,616)					(1,616)
Net loss						(8,233)		(8,233)
Balances, December 31, 2005	4,037,774	4	5,682	(3,541)	(598)	(40,280)		(38,733)
Issuance of common stock from initial public offering, net of issuance costs	6,150,000	6	38,328					38,334
Conversion of redeemable convertible preferred stock to common stock at initial public offering	12,406,134	12	48,918					48,930
Conversion of warrants from warrants for preferred stock to warrants for common stock			95					95
Exercise of stock options	415,027	1	459					460
Amortization of deferred stock-based employee compensation				191				191
Interest receivable on notes for exercise of stock options					(4)			(4)
Elimination of deferred stock-based compensation due to modification of options under SFAS No. 123R			(3,344)	3,344				
Employee stock-based compensation expense recognized under SFAS No. 123R, net of estimated forfeitures			3,126					3,126
Reduction of notes receivable upon common stock repurchase	(102,084)		(46)		46			
Collection of notes and interest receivable					431			431
Nonemployee stock compensation expense			200					200
Net loss						(3,909)		(3,909)
Balances, December 31, 2006	22,906,851	23	93,418	(6)	(125)	(44,189)		49,121
Exercise of stock options	475,230	1	689					690
Amortization of deferred stock-based employee compensation				2				2
Issuance of common stock in settlement of restricted stock units, net of shares withheld for employee taxes	59,999		738					738
Issuance of common stock under employee stock purchase plan	167,085		952					952
Charge to retained earnings upon adoption of FIN 48						(100)		(100)
Employee stock-based compensation expense recognized under SFAS No. 123R, net of estimated forfeitures			3,658					3,658
Repurchase of unvested common stock	(3,750)		(15)					(15)
Collection of notes and interest receivable					125			125
Nonemployee stock compensation expense			128					128
Tax benefit from exercise of stock options			20					20
Components of comprehensive income:								
Net income						2,780		2,780
Other comprehensive income							19	19
Total comprehensive income								2,799
Balances, December 31, 2007	23,605,415	\$ 24	\$ 99,588	\$ (4)	\$	\$ (41,509)	\$ 19	\$ 58,118

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

Table of Contents**Thermage, Inc.****STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**

<i>(in thousands of dollars)</i>	Years Ended December 31,		
	2007	2006	2005
Cash flows from operating activities			
Net income (loss)	\$ 2,780	\$ (3,909)	\$ (8,233)
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:			
Depreciation and amortization	1,386	2,079	1,995
Amortization of premium on marketable investments	(55)		
Interest receivable on stockholder notes		44	(20)
Amortization of warrants on notes payable		165	20
Changes in preferred stock warrant liability		(836)	2,136
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	56	18	4
Stock-based compensation	4,798	3,517	456
Tax expense from stock option exercises	20		
Allowance for doubtful accounts	51	2	29
Reserve for excess and obsolete inventory	9	(608)	256
Change in assets and liabilities			
Accounts receivable	(1,575)	(430)	(1,700)
Inventories	(1,844)	28	1,557
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	(65)	(367)	(413)
Other non-current assets	(39)	12	10
Accounts payable	(57)	(585)	(190)
Accrued and other liabilities	237	2,078	(14)
Deferred revenue	278	69	(126)
Customer deposits	(44)	17	(51)
Deferred rent	(8)	(55)	(32)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	5,928	1,239	(4,316)
Cash flows from investing activities			
Acquisition of property and equipment	(903)	(899)	(2,247)
Change in restricted cash		107	(64)
Proceeds from sale of property and equipment		12	
Purchase of marketable investments	(60,383)		
Proceeds from sale of marketable investments	21,750		
Net cash used in investing activities	(39,536)	(780)	(2,311)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Repayment of equipment leases		(13)	(5)
Repayment of notes payable		(5,000)	
Collection of notes receivable from stockholders	125	384	
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	690	460	47
Repurchase of unvested common stock	(15)		
Proceeds from exercise of preferred stock warrants		755	
Proceeds from employee stock purchase plan	952		
Proceeds from notes payable			5,000
Proceeds from IPO, net of capitalized IPO related costs	(409)	38,749	
Net cash provided by financing activities	1,343	35,335	5,042

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Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(32,265)	35,794	(1,585)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	45,915	10,121	11,706
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$ 13,650	\$ 45,915	\$ 10,121

Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information

Cash paid for interest	\$	\$ 607	\$ 82
Cash paid for taxes		161	158

Supplemental disclosure of significant non-cash investing and financing activities

Reclassification of preferred stock warrants upon adoption of FSP 150-5			1,616
Issuance of preferred stock upon net exercise of preferred stock warrants		882	
Conversion of redeemable convertible preferred stock to common stock at initial public offering		48,930	

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

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(In thousands of dollars, except share and per share amounts)

NOTE 1 THE COMPANY

Background

Thermage, Inc. (the Company) develops, manufactures, and markets radiofrequency-based equipment and disposable products for the non-invasive treatment of wrinkles. The Company was incorporated in California on January 11, 1996 and reincorporated in Delaware on September 10, 2001. The Company commercially launched its first products in October 2002.

Initial Public Offering

On November 9, 2006, the Company completed an initial public offering (IPO) of 6,000,000 shares of its common stock at \$7.00 per share. Additionally, on December 8, 2006, the underwriters partially exercised their over-allotment option and purchased 150,000 shares at \$7.00 per share. The Company raised approximately \$38.3 million, net of underwriting discounts, commissions and other offering costs. Upon the closing of the offering, all the Company's outstanding shares of redeemable convertible preferred stock converted on a one-to-one basis into 12,406,134 shares of common stock.

NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Use of Estimates

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

Cash and Cash Equivalents and Marketable Investments

The Company considers all highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less at the time of purchase to be cash equivalents. The Company accounts for its investment in marketable investments in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 115, *Accounting for Certain Investments in Debt and Equity Securities*. Marketable investments are carried at fair value and consist of corporate debt securities, certificates of deposits and auction rate securities which are accounted for as available-for-sale securities held for use in current operations and are classified in current assets as Marketable Investments. Available-for-sale securities with maturities greater than twelve months are classified as short term as they represent investments that are available for use in current operations.

Realized gains and losses on marketable investments are included in earnings and are determined using the specific identification method. Unrealized holding gains and losses on marketable investments classified as available-for-sale, are excluded from earnings and are reported in accumulated other comprehensive income, net of related tax effects. The amortized cost of debt securities is adjusted for amortization of premium and accretion of discounts to maturity. Such amortization and accretion is included in interest income.

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Fair Value of Financial Instruments

Carrying amounts of the Company's financial instruments, including cash and cash equivalents, marketable investments, accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued liabilities, approximate their fair values due to their short maturities. Based on the borrowing rates available to the Company for loans with similar terms, the carrying value of the borrowings approximates their fair value. The carrying amounts of restricted cash, other liabilities and other assets approximate their fair values based upon their nature and size. The carrying amount of the preferred stock warrants liability represents its fair value (see note 3).

Concentration of Credit Risk and Other Risks and Uncertainties

Financial instruments that potentially subject the Company to concentrations of risk consist principally of cash and cash equivalents, marketable investments and accounts receivable. The Company's cash and cash equivalents are primarily invested in deposits, certificates of deposit and money market accounts with two major banking institutions in the United States. Deposits in these institutions may exceed the amount of insurance provided on such deposits, if any. Management believes that these financial institutions are financially sound and, accordingly, minimal credit risk exists. The Company has not experienced any losses on its deposits of cash and cash equivalents.

The Company invests in debt instruments and commercial paper of U.S. and foreign corporate issuers, as well as in certificates of deposit and in auction rate securities. To minimize the exposure due to adverse shifts in interest rates, the Company maintained the majority of its investments at a weighted average maturity of one year or less.

Concentration of credit risk with respect to trade accounts receivable is considered to be limited due to the diversity of the Company's customer base and geographic sales areas. The Company performs ongoing credit evaluations of its customers and maintains reserves for potential credit losses.

The Company is subject to risks common to companies in the medical device industry including, but not limited to, new technological innovations, dependence on key personnel, dependence on key suppliers, protection of proprietary technology, product liability and compliance with government regulations. To sustain profitable operations, the Company must successfully design, develop, manufacture and market its products. There can be no assurance that current products will continue to be accepted in the marketplace. Nor can there be any assurance that any future products can be developed or manufactured at an acceptable cost and with appropriate performance characteristics, or that such products will be successfully marketed, if at all. These factors could have a material adverse effect on the Company's future financial results, financial position and cash flows.

Future products developed by the Company may require clearances from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration or other international regulatory agencies prior to commercial sales. There can be no assurance that the Company's products will continue to meet the necessary regulatory requirements. If the Company was denied such clearances or such clearances were delayed, it may have a materially adverse impact on the Company.

Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable are typically unsecured and are derived from revenues earned from customers. The Company performs ongoing credit evaluations of its customers and maintains reserves for potential credit losses. Allowance for doubtful accounts was \$82 and \$31, respectively, at December 31, 2007 and 2006. Doubtful account write-offs have been insignificant during the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005.

Table of Contents**Thermage, Inc.****NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)****(In thousands of dollars, except share and per share amounts)****Segment Information**

The Company operates in one business segment, which encompasses the developing, manufacturing and marketing of radiofrequency based equipment for the aesthetics market. Management uses one measurement of profitability and does not segregate its business for internal reporting. All long-lived assets are maintained in the United States.

The following table summarizes net revenue by product:

	Years Ended December 31,		
	2007	2006	2005
RF generators	\$ 16,328	\$ 13,262	\$ 12,556
ThermaTips and other consumables	45,087	39,436	27,010
Net revenue from products	61,415	52,698	39,566
Services and other	1,686	1,622	1,089
Total net revenue	\$ 63,101	\$ 54,320	\$ 40,655

The following table summarizes net revenue by geographic region:

	Years Ended December 31,		
	2007	2006	2005
United States	\$ 32,660	\$ 28,305	\$ 22,751
Asia Pacific	13,350	12,858	9,188
Europe/Middle East	10,875	6,976	4,513
Rest of the world	6,216	6,181	4,203
Total net revenue	\$ 63,101	\$ 54,320	\$ 40,655

Inventories

Inventory is stated at the lower of cost or market, cost being determined on a standard cost basis (which approximates actual cost on a first-in, first-out basis) and market being determined as the lower of replacement cost or net realizable value. Lower of cost or market is evaluated by considering obsolescence, excessive levels of inventory, deterioration and other factors.

Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are stated at cost and depreciated on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the related assets, which is five years for furniture and fixtures, three to five years for machinery and equipment, three years for tooling, and three years for software and computers and equipment. Amortization of leasehold improvements is computed using the straight-line method over the shorter of the remaining lease term or the estimated useful life of the related assets, typically five years. Upon sale or retirement of assets, the costs and related accumulated depreciation and amortization are removed from the balance sheet and the resulting gain or loss is reflected in operations. Maintenance and repairs are charged to operations as incurred.

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Impairment of Long-Lived Assets

In accordance with the provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards Board (SFAS) No. 144, *Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-lived Assets*, the Company reviews long-lived assets, including property and equipment, for impairment whenever events or changes in business circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of the assets may not be fully recoverable. Under SFAS No. 144, an impairment loss would be recognized when estimated undiscounted future cash flows expected to result from the use of the asset and its eventual disposition is less than its carrying amount. Impairment, if any, is measured as the amount by which the carrying amount of a long-lived asset exceeds its fair value. Through December 31, 2007, there have been no such impairments.

Freestanding Preferred Stock Warrants

Freestanding warrants and other similar instruments related to shares that are redeemable are accounted for in accordance with SFAS No. 150. Under SFAS No. 150, the outstanding freestanding warrants that are related to the Company's convertible preferred stock are classified as liabilities on the balance sheet (see Note 3). The warrants are subject to re-measurement at each balance sheet date and any change in fair value is recognized as a component of other income or other expense. During the year ended December 31, 2006, warrants to purchase 590,329 shares of preferred stock were net exercised into 364,360 shares of convertible preferred stock and then converted into 364,360 shares of common stock in connection with the Company's initial public offering in November 2006. Additional preferred stock warrants for 27,778 shares of preferred stock were not exercised upon the Company's initial public offering and were converted into warrants for common stock. At December 31, 2007 and 2006, there were no outstanding warrants to purchase shares of the Company's convertible preferred stock.

Revenue Recognition

The Company recognizes revenue in accordance with Securities and Exchange Commission Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 104. Product revenue is recognized when title and risk of ownership has been transferred, provided that persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, the price is fixed and determinable, remaining obligations are insignificant and collectibility is reasonably assured. Transfer of title and risk of ownership occurs when the product is shipped to the customer. Revenue is recorded net of customer and distributor discounts. For sales transactions with non-standard extended payment terms, or when collectibility is not reasonably assured, the Company recognizes revenue upon receipt of cash payment.

The Company's system sales in the United States typically have post-sale obligations of installation and training. These obligations are fulfilled after product shipment, and in these cases, the Company recognizes revenue in accordance with the multiple element accounting guidance set forth in Emerging Issues Task Force No. 00-21, *Revenue Arrangements with Multiple Deliverables*. When the Company has objective and reliable evidence of fair value of the undelivered elements, it defers revenue attributable to the post-shipment obligations and recognizes such revenue when the obligation is fulfilled. Otherwise, the Company will defer all revenue until all elements are delivered. Since the introduction of the new ThermaCool NXT generator in February 2007, the Company continued to sell ThermaCool TC generator to customers in countries where the Company has not yet obtained approval on the new ThermaCool NXT generator. In accordance with EITF 00-21, the Company has deferred the fair value of the customer's right to upgrade to the ThermaCool NXT generator until the earlier of final delivery or expiration of such rights.

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The Company sells to end-users in the United States and to distributors outside of the United States. Sales to end-users and distributors do not include return rights. The Company typically recognizes revenues upon shipment for sales through independent, third party distributors as the Company has no continuing obligations subsequent to shipment, other than replacement parts warranty coverage. The distributors are responsible for all marketing, sales, installation, training and warranty services for the Company's products. The Company does not provide price protection or stock rotation rights to any of its distributors. In addition, the Company's distributor agreements do not allow the distributor to return or exchange products and the distributor is obligated to pay the Company for the sale regardless of whether the distributor is able to resell the product.

The Company offers a three year warranty for systems sold in the United States and a one year replacement parts warranty for systems sold to distributors outside of the United States. The Company also provides a warranty for its consumable products. The Company provides for the estimated cost to repair or replace products under warranty at the time of sale. The Company also offers customers extended warranty service contracts. Revenue from the sale of extended service contracts is recognized on a straight-line basis over the period of the applicable extended contract. The Company also earns service revenue from customers outside of their warranty term or extended service contracts. Such service revenue is recognized as the services are provided.

Shipping and Handling Costs

Shipping and handling costs charged to customers are included in net revenue and the associated expense is included in cost of revenue in the statements of operations

Research and Development Expenditures

Costs related to research, design and development of products are charged to research and development expense as incurred.

Advertising Costs

Advertising costs are included in sales and marketing expenses and are expensed as incurred. Advertising costs were \$765, \$938 and \$788 for the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005, respectively.

Stock-Based Compensation

Prior to January 1, 2006, the Company accounted for stock-based employee compensation arrangements in accordance with the provisions of Accounting Principles Board (APB) Opinion No. 25, *Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees* and its interpretations and complied with the disclosure provisions of SFAS No. 123, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation*. Under APB No. 25, compensation expense is based on the difference, if any, on the date of the grant, between the fair value of the Company's stock and the exercise price. Employee stock-based compensation is amortized on a straight-line basis over the vesting period of the underlying options. SFAS No. 123 defines a fair value based method of accounting for an employee stock option or similar equity investment. The Company used the minimum value method in connection with the disclosure provisions of SFAS No. 123. The Company accounts for equity instruments issued to non-employees in accordance with the provisions of SFAS No. 123 and Emerging Issues Task Force (EITF) No. 96-18,

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Accounting for Equity Instruments That Are Issued to Other Than Employees for Acquiring, or in Conjunction with Selling, Goods or Services. Equity instruments issued to non-employees are recorded at their fair value on the measurement date and are subject to periodic adjustment as the underlying equity instruments vest. Non-employee stock-based compensation charges are amortized over the vesting period, on a straight-line basis.

Effective January 1, 2006, the Company adopted the fair value provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123R, *Share-Based Payment* (SFAS No. 123R), which supersedes previous accounting under APB No. 25. SFAS No. 123R requires the recognition of compensation expense, using a fair-value based method, for costs related to all share-based payments including stock options. SFAS No. 123R requires companies to estimate the fair value of share-based payment awards on the date of grant using an option-pricing model. The Company adopted SFAS No. 123R using the prospective transition method, which requires that for nonpublic entities that used the minimum value method for either pro forma or financial statement recognition purposes, SFAS No. 123R shall be applied to option awards granted, modified, repurchased or cancelled after the required effective date. For options granted prior to the SFAS No. 123R effective date, which the requisite service period has not been performed as of January 1, 2006, the Company will continue to recognize compensation expense on the remaining unvested awards under the intrinsic-value method of APB No. 25. For options accounted for under APB No. 25 that were granted prior to January 1, 2006 and then modified after January 1, 2006, the Company will apply SFAS No. 123R to these option grants upon the date of modification. All option grants valued after January 1, 2006 will be expensed on a straight-line basis.

Income Taxes

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are determined based on the differences between financial reporting and tax basis of assets and liabilities, measured at tax rates that will be in effect when the differences are expected to reverse. Valuation allowances are established when necessary to reduce deferred tax assets to the amounts expected to be realized.

Comprehensive Income (loss)

Comprehensive income (loss) generally represents all changes in stockholders' equity except those resulting from investments, contributions by, or distributions to stockholders. The Company's unrealized gain (loss) on marketable investments, net of related taxes, represents the only component of comprehensive income (loss) that is excluded from net income (loss).

Net Income (Loss) Per Share

Basic net income (loss) per share is computed by dividing the net income (loss) for the period by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period as reduced by the weighted average unvested common shares subject to repurchase by the Company.

Diluted net income (loss) per share attributable to common shares is computed by dividing the net income (loss) attributable to common shares for the period by the weighted average number of common and potential common shares outstanding during the period, if the effect of each class of potential common shares is dilutive. Potential common shares include common stock subject to repurchase rights and incremental shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of stock options and warrants and upon conversion of preferred stock and incremental shares of common stock issuable under employee stock purchase plan and restricted stock units. The dilutive effect of potential common shares is reflected in diluted net income (loss) per share by application of the

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treasury stock method, which includes consideration of stock-based compensation required by Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123R, *Share-Based Payment (revised 2004)* (SFAS No. 123R), and SFAS No. 128, *Earnings Per Share*.

	Years Ended December 31,		
	2007	2006	2005
Historical net income (loss) per share:			
Numerator			
Net income (loss)	\$ 2,780	\$ (3,909)	\$ (8,233)
Denominator			
Weighted-average common shares outstanding	23,244,000	6,587,976	4,038,302
Less: weighted-average unvested common shares subject to repurchase	(2,969)	(26,328)	(373,312)
Denominator for basic net income (loss) per share	23,241,031	6,561,648	3,664,990
Dilutive effect of potential common stock	1,640,458		
Dilutive effect of common stock subject to repurchase	2,969		
Denominator for diluted net income (loss) per share	24,884,458	6,561,648	3,664,990
Basic net income (loss) per share	\$ 0.12	\$ (0.60)	\$ (2.25)
Diluted net income (loss) per share	\$ 0.11	\$ (0.60)	\$ (2.25)

The following outstanding options, common stock subject to repurchase, convertible preferred stock, convertible preferred stock warrants, and common stock issuable under the 2006 Employee Stock Purchase Plan were excluded from the computation of diluted net income (loss) per common share for the periods presented because including them would have had an antidilutive effect:

	Years Ended December 31,		
	2007	2006	2005
Options to purchase common stock	1,494,691	3,272,144	3,347,541
Common stock subject to repurchase		6,250	203,959
Convertible preferred stock			12,042,274
Convertible preferred stock warrants			628,718
Common stock issuable under Employee Stock Purchase Plan		92,039	

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In September 2006, the FASB issued SFAS No. 157, *Fair Value Measurements*. This statement clarifies the definition of fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value, and expands the disclosures on fair value measurements. SFAS No. 157 is effective for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007. However, on December 14, 2007, the FASB issued FASB Staff Position FAS157-2, which deferred the effective date of SFAS No. 157 for one year, as it relates to non-financial assets and liabilities. The Company has not determined the effect, if any, the adoption of this statement will have on its results of operations or financial position.

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In February 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 159, *The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities including an amendment of FAS115* (SFAS No. 159). SFAS No. 159 allows companies to chose, at specified election dates, to measure eligible financial assets and liabilities at fair value that are not

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otherwise required to be measured at fair value. Unrealized gains and losses shall be reported on items for which the fair value option has been elected in earnings at each subsequent reporting date. SFAS No. 159 also establishes presentation and disclosure requirements. SFAS No. 159 is effective for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007 and will be applied prospectively. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of adopting SFAS No. 159 on its financial statements.

In December 2007, the FASB issued Statement No. 141 (revised), *Business Combinations* (SFAS No. 141(R)). The statement changes the accounting for business combinations including the measurement of acquirer shares issued in consideration for a business combination, the recognition of contingent consideration, the accounting for preacquisition gain and loss contingencies, the recognition of capitalized in-process research and development, the accounting for acquisition-related restructuring cost accruals, the treatment of acquisition related transaction costs and the recognition of changes in the acquirer's income tax valuation allowance. SFAS 141(R) is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008, with early adoption prohibited. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of the pending adoption of SFAS 141(R) on its consolidated financial statements and do not expect any significant impact on the results of operations and financial position upon adoption.

In December 2007, the FASB issued Statement No. 160, *Non-controlling Interests in Consolidated Financial Statements, an amendment of ARB No. 51* (SFAS 160). The standard changes the accounting for non-controlling (minority) interests in consolidated financial statements including the requirements to classify non-controlling interests as a component of consolidated stockholders' equity, and the elimination of minority interest accounting in results of operations with earnings attributable to non-controlling interests reported as part of consolidated earnings. Additionally, SFAS 160 revises the accounting for both increases and decreases in a parent's controller ownership interest. SFAS 160 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008, with early adoption prohibited. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of the pending adoption of SFAS 160 on its results of operations and financial position.

NOTE 3 CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING POLICY

On June 29, 2005, the FASB issued Staff Position 150-5, *Issuer's Accounting under FASB Statement No. 150 (SFAS 150) for Freestanding Warrants and Other Similar Instruments on Shares That Are Redeemable* (FSP 150-5). FSP 150-5 affirms that such warrants are subject to the requirements in SFAS 150, regardless of the timing of the redemption feature or the redemption price. Therefore, under SFAS 150, the freestanding warrants that are related to the purchase of the Company's convertible preferred stock are liabilities that should be recorded at fair value. The Company previously accounted for freestanding warrants for the purchase of convertible preferred stock under EITF Issue No. 96-18, *Accounting for Equity Instruments that are Issued to Other than Employees for Acquiring, or in Conjunction with Selling, Goods or Services* (EITF 96-18).

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The Company adopted FSP 150-5 and accounted for the cumulative effect of the change in accounting principle as of July 1, 2005. For the year ended December 31, 2005, the impact of the change in accounting principle was to increase net loss by \$697, or \$0.19 per share. There was \$1,439 of additional expense recorded in other expense to reflect the increase in fair value between July 1, 2005 and December 31, 2005. The pro forma effect of the adoption of FSP 150-5 on the Company's results of operations for 2005, if applied retroactively, would be as follows:

	Year Ended December 31, 2005
Net income (loss) as reported	\$ (8,233)
Net income (loss) assuming retroactive application of accounting principal	\$ (8,574)
Net income (loss) allocable to common stockholders as reported	\$ (8,233)
Net income (loss) allocable to common stockholders assuming retroactive application of accounting principle	\$ (8,574)
Basic net income (loss) per share as reported	\$ (2.25)
Basic net income (loss) per share assuming retroactive application of accounting principle	\$ (2.34)
Diluted net income (loss) per share as reported	\$ (2.25)
Diluted net income (loss) per share assuming retroactive application of accounting principle	\$ (2.34)

The Company used the Black-Scholes option pricing model to value the convertible preferred stock warrants at each reporting period and upon initial adoption of FSP 150-5. The weighted average assumptions used to value the preferred stock warrants upon adoption of FSP 150-5 and at the end of each subsequent reporting period were as follows:

	December 31, 2005	July 1, 2005
Risk free interest rate	4.36%	3.74%
Remaining contractual life (in years)	3.42	3.76
Dividend yield		
Expected volatility	54%	55%
Fair value of preferred stock	\$ 9.58	\$ 6.78

During the year ended December 31, 2006, 590,329 shares of preferred stock warrants were net exercised into 364,360 shares of convertible preferred stock and then converted into 364,360 shares of common stock in connection with the Company's initial public offering in November 2006. Additional preferred stock warrants for 27,778 shares of preferred stock were not exercised upon the Company's initial public offering and were converted into warrants for shares of common stock. The Company recorded a credit of \$836 in interest, warrants and other expenses during the year ended December 31, 2006 to reflect the change in fair value of the preferred stock warrants in 2006.

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The Company considers all highly liquid investments, with an original maturity of three months or less at the time of purchase to be cash equivalents. Investments in debt securities are accounted for as available-for-sale securities held for use in current operations and are classified in current assets as Marketable Investments. Cash, cash equivalents and marketable investments as of December 31, 2007 consist of the following:

	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Market Value
Checking and money market accounts	\$ 13,650	\$	\$	\$ 13,650
Corporate and Euro dollar bonds	15,517	9		15,526
Medium and short term notes	15,719	10		15,729
Certificates of deposit	2,502			2,502
Auction rate securities	4,950			4,950
	\$ 52,338	\$ 19	\$	\$ 52,357
Reported as:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 13,650	\$	\$	\$ 13,650
Marketable investments	38,688	19		38,707
	\$ 52,338	\$ 19	\$	\$ 52,357

As of December 31, 2007, the Company held \$4,950 in auction rate securities which are variable rate debt instruments, which bear interest rates that reset approximately every 28 days. The auction rate securities owned by the Company were rated AA+ by a major credit rating agency and are either commercially insured or guaranteed by the Federal Family Education Loan Program (FFELP). The underlying securities have contractual maturities which are generally greater than ten years. The auction rate securities are classified as available-for-sale securities and are recorded at fair value. Typically, the carrying value of auction rate securities approximates fair value due to the frequent resetting of the interest rates.

The contractual maturities of cash, cash equivalents and marketable investments as of December 31, 2007 are as follows:

	Amounts
Due in less than one year	\$ 30,023
Due in 1-3 years	17,384
Due in 3-5 years	
Due in 5-10 years	
Due in greater than 10 years	4,950

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Total

\$ 52,357

The investments with maturities greater than 10 years represent auction rate securities which were liquidated in February of 2008 without any loss.

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Inventories, net consist of the following:

	December 31,	
	2007	2006
Raw materials	\$ 2,382	\$ 2,134
Work-in-process	931	710
Finished goods	3,326	2,375
	\$ 6,639	\$ 5,219

Property and Equipment, Net

Property and equipment, net consists of the following:

	December 31,	
	2007	2006
Leasehold improvements	\$ 2,340	\$ 2,611
Furniture and fixtures	691	712
Machinery and equipment	3,948	3,403
Software	703	684
Computers and equipment	1,772	1,833
	9,454	9,243
Less: Accumulated depreciation and amortization	(6,454)	(5,605)
	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,638

Depreciation and amortization expense related to property and equipment was \$1,386, \$2,079 and \$1,995 for the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005, respectively.

Accrued Liabilities

Accrued liabilities consist of the following:

	December 31,	
	2007	2006
Marketing expenses	\$ 282	\$ 226
Travel and entertainment	276	191

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Warranty	577	329
Sales and use tax	162	171
Payroll and related expenses	4,181	3,947
Professional fees	447	269
Fixed assets	30	283
IPO expenses		409
Accrued claims	331	477
Accrued inventory purchases	48	294
Other	516	776
	\$ 6,850	\$ 7,372

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The Company currently accrues for the estimated cost to repair or replace products under warranty at the time of sale. A summary of standard warranty accrual activity is shown below:

	Years Ended December 31,	
	2007	2006
Balance at beginning of period	\$ 329	\$ 296
Accruals for warranties issued during the period	562	256
Accruals related to pre-existing warranties (including changes in estimates)	35	58
Settlements made during the period	(349)	(281)
Balance at end of period	\$ 577	\$ 329

Extended Warranty Contracts

The Company sells extended warranty contracts to its customers. At the time of sale, the Company defers the amounts billed for such service contracts. Deferred service contract revenue is recognized on a straight-line basis over the period of the applicable extended warranty contract. A summary of extended warranty contract activity is shown below:

	Years Ended December 31,	
	2007	2006
Balance at beginning of period	\$ 1,646	\$ 1,442
Payments received	893	1,243
Revenue recognized	(1,068)	(1,039)
Balance at end of period	\$ 1,471	\$ 1,646

The Company incurred costs of \$446, \$695 and \$453 under extended warranty contracts during the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005, respectively.

NOTE 6 COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES*Facility Lease**Commitments*

In November 2004, the Company entered into a noncancelable operating lease at its current headquarters facility with an expiration date of September 30, 2007. This lease was renewed in December 2006 for another three years through September 30, 2010. Under the terms of the

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lease, the Company is responsible for its share of taxes, insurance and common area maintenance costs. Rent expense for the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005 was \$815, \$737 and \$739, respectively, net of sublease income of \$0, \$0 and \$92, respectively.

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Future minimum lease payments under the Company's noncancelable operating leases at December 31, 2007 are as follows:

Years Ending December 31,	
2008	\$ 989
2009	1,079
2010	835
	\$ 2,903

Contingencies

From time to time, the Company is involved in litigation relating to claims arising from the ordinary course of business. Management does not believe the final disposition of these matters will have a material adverse effect on the financial statements and future cash flows of the Company.

The Company advised Alma Lasers, Ltd. and Alma Lasers, Inc. (together Alma) in February 2006 that Alma's Accent product infringed numerous Thermage patents. On April 26, 2007, Alma filed a lawsuit against the Company in the United States District Court for the District of Delaware requesting declaratory judgment that Alma's Accent product does not infringe Thermage's patents and that Thermage's patents are invalid. Management believes that the Company has meritorious defenses in this action and intends to defend the action vigorously. On June 20, 2007, the Company filed counterclaims in the United States District Court for the District of Delaware asserting that Alma's Accent^{XL} and Harmony devices infringe 10 Thermage U.S. patents. The counterclaim was amended on December 10, 2007 to include a claim of infringement of an eleventh Thermage patent. In addition to damages and attorney fees, the Company is asking the Court to enjoin Alma from further infringement. The case is active and discovery is ongoing. Management does not believe the final disposition of these matters will have a material adverse effect on the financial statements and future cash flows of the Company.

Indemnifications

In the normal course of business, the Company enters into contracts and agreements that contain a variety of representation and warranties and provide for general indemnifications. The Company's exposure under these agreements is unknown because it involves future claims that may be made against the Company in the future, but have not yet been made. To date, the Company has not paid any claims or been required to defend any action related to its indemnification obligations. However, the Company may record charges in the future as a result of these indemnification obligations.

In accordance with its certificate of incorporation, bylaws and individual indemnification agreements, the Company has indemnification obligations to its officers, directors and certain key employees for certain events or occurrences, subject to certain limits, while they are serving at the Company's request in such a capacity. There have been no claims to date and the Company has a director and officer insurance policy that enables it to recover a portion of any amount paid for future claims.

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NOTE 7 COMMON STOCK

Common Stock

The Company's amended and restated certificate of incorporation authorizes the Company to issue 100,000,000 shares of \$0.001 par value common stock. Common stockholders are entitled to dividends as and when declared by the board of directors subject to the prior rights of the preferred stockholders.

2006 Employee Stock Purchase Plan

On August 2, 2006, the board of directors adopted the 2006 Employee Stock Purchase Plan. A total of 250,000 shares of common stock were reserved for issuance pursuant to the 2006 Employee Stock Purchase Plan. The 2006 Employee Stock Purchase Plan was approved by the Company's stockholders on August 4, 2006. The 2006 Employee Stock Purchase Plan became effective upon the closing of the Company's initial public offering. Under the 2006 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, eligible employees are permitted to purchase common stock through payroll deduction at a price of 85% of the lower market value as of the beginning or the end of the six-month offering period. Shares of common stock will be increased on the first day of each fiscal year, commencing in 2007, by an amount equal to the lower of: (i) 900,000 shares; (ii) 2.0% of the outstanding shares of the Company's common stock on the first day of the fiscal year; or (iii) such other amount as may be determined by the board of directors. Each offering period starts on the first trading day on or after May 15 and November 15 of each year. The Company issued 167,085 and 0 shares of common stock during the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively. At December 31, 2006, 541,052 shares remained available for future issuance. In addition, on January 1, 2008, the Company added 472,108 shares to the Plan.

2006 Equity Incentive Plan and 1997 Stock Option Plan

In 1997, the Company adopted the 1997 Stock Option Plan. The Plan provides for the granting of stock options to employees and consultants of the Company. Options granted under the Plan may be either incentive stock options or nonqualified stock options. Incentive stock options (ISO) may be granted only to Company employees (including officers and directors who are also employees). Nonqualified stock options (NSO) may be granted to Company employees and consultants. The Company has reserved 5,940,000 shares of common stock for issuance under the Plan.

On August 2, 2006, the board of directors adopted the 2006 Equity Incentive Plan. A total of 2,750,000 shares of common stock were reserved for issuance pursuant to the 2006 Equity Incentive Plan. In addition, the shares reserved for issuance under the 2006 Equity Incentive Plan included shares reserved but unissued under the Company's 1997 Stock Option Plan as the result of termination of options or the repurchase of shares. The 2006 Equity Incentive Plan was approved by the Company's stockholders on August 4, 2006.

Shares of common stock approved under the 2006 Equity Incentive Plan will be increased on the first day of each fiscal year, commencing in 2007, by an amount equal to the lower of: (i) 1,800,000 shares; (ii) 3.5% of the outstanding shares of the Company's common stock on the last day of the immediately preceding fiscal year; or (iii) such other amount as may be determined by the board of directors. On January 1, 2007, the Company added 826,189 shares to the 2006 Equity Incentive Plan.

Options under the 1997 Stock Option Plan and 2006 Equity Incentive Plan may be granted for periods of up to ten years and at prices no less than 85% of the estimated fair value of the shares on the date of grant as determined by the board of directors, provided, however, that (i) the exercise price of an ISO and NSO shall not

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be less than 100% and 85% of the estimated fair value of the shares on the date of grant, respectively, and (ii) the exercise price of an ISO and NSO granted to a 10% stockholder shall not be less than 110% of the estimated fair value of the shares on the date of grant, respectively. Options granted generally vest over four years.

During the year ended December 31, 2007, under the 2006 Equity Incentive Plan, the board of directors approved the issuance of 110,175 shares of restricted stock units to certain employees. The value of the restricted stock award was based on the closing stock market price on the date of award. These restricted stock units generally vest quarterly over four quarters.

Activity under the 1997 Stock Option Plan and 2006 Equity Incentive Plan is summarized as follows:

	Shares Available for Grant	Number of Options	Weighted Average Exercise Price
Balance, December 31, 2004	207,946	1,964,237	\$ 1.94
Additional shares reserved	1,200,000		
Options granted	(1,908,049)	1,908,049	4.00
Options exercised		(51,446)	2.33
Options repurchased or cancelled	573,299	(473,299)	3.00
Balance, December 31, 2005	73,196	3,347,541	2.96
Additional shares reserved	3,000,000		
Options granted	(2,608,386)	2,608,386	2.78
Options exercised		(415,027)	1.11
Options repurchased or cancelled	2,370,840	(2,268,756)	4.02
Balance, December 31, 2006	2,835,650	3,272,144	2.31
Additional shares reserved	801,739		
Options granted	(1,111,600)	1,111,600	8.54
Restricted stock units granted	(110,175)		
Options exercised		(475,230)	1.45
Options repurchased or cancelled	394,710	(390,960)	5.33
Restricted stock units cancelled	42,676		
Balance, December 31, 2007	2,853,000	3,517,554	\$ 4.06

Information regarding stock options outstanding at December 31, 2007 and 2006 is summarized as follows:

	Number of Options	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Weighted Average Contractual Terms (Years)	Aggregate Intrinsic Value
As of December 31, 2006				
Options outstanding	3,272,144	\$ 2.31	7.96	\$ 16,145

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Options vested and expected to vest	3,062,406	2.23	7.79	15,300
Options vested	1,644,382	1.46	7.12	9,124
As of December 31, 2007				
Options outstanding	3,517,554	4.06	7.60	9,548
Options vested and expected to vest	3,481,634	4.04	7.58	9,509
Options vested	1,963,392	\$ 2.65	6.89	7,107

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Included in the above tables are non-employee stock options granted during the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005 for 0, 5,000 and 5,000, shares of common stock, respectively. The Company had non-employee stock options outstanding for 40,833, 72,293 and 103,209 shares of common stock, respectively, at December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005, at weighted average exercise prices of \$1.15, \$0.59 and \$0.65 per share, respectively. The non-employee options outstanding have a weighted average remaining contractual term of 6.08 years and an aggregate intrinsic value of \$189 at December 31, 2007.

The options outstanding and currently exercisable by exercise price at December 31, 2007 are as follows:

Range of Exercise Price	Options Outstanding		Options Vested and Exercisable		
	Number Outstanding	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Life (Years)	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Number Exercisable	Weighted Average Exercise Price
\$0.45 - \$1.00	180,072	4.57	\$ 0.55	179,030	\$ 0.55
1.10 - 1.10	407,107	5.89	1.10	407,107	1.10
1.90 - 1.90	1,625,931	7.25	1.90	1,053,455	1.90
3.00 - 8.18	355,022	9.10	5.38	74,692	3.70
8.34 - 8.72	353,997	8.92	8.69	78,512	8.70
8.90 - 8.90	80,000	9.53	8.90	16,663	8.90
9.05 - 9.05	302,875	9.09	9.05	59,936	9.05
9.10 - 9.10	10,600	9.24	9.10		
9.39 - 9.39	61,000	8.50	9.39	22,872	9.39
11.00 - 11.00	140,950	8.47	11.00	71,125	11.00
	3,517,554	7.60	\$ 4.06	1,963,392	\$ 2.65

The number of outstanding options vested and exercisable at December 31, 2006 was 1,644,382 options with a weighted average exercise price of \$1.46 per share.

Stock Option Repricing in 2006

During March 2006, the Company repriced certain stock option awards held by 116 of its employees. Under the terms of this repricing, the Company repriced employee stock options having an exercise price of \$2.00 or above to an exercise price of \$1.90 per share. Other than the exercise price, all other terms of the repriced options, such as vesting and contractual life, remained the same. In consideration for the repricing of eligible stock option awards, the employees who were previously granted certain stock option awards on February 2, 2005 were also required to return these awards for cancellation. As a result of this repricing, the Company repriced options to purchase 447,565 shares and options to purchase 1,523,035 unvested shares having a weighted average original exercise price of \$4.18 and \$4.10, respectively. Such options were repriced at a new exercise price of \$1.90 per share. As a result of this repricing, the Company also cancelled 35,216 outstanding employee options with an original exercise price of \$4.00 that were granted on February 2, 2005. The Company has accounted for the repricing and cancellation transactions as a modification under SFAS No. 123R and recorded any net incremental fair value related to vested awards as compensation expense on the date of modification. In accordance with SFAS No. 123R, the Company will record the incremental fair value related to the unvested awards, together with unamortized stock-based compensation expense associated with the unvested awards, over the remaining requisite service period of the option holders. In connection with the repriced options,

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the Company recorded stock compensation expense of \$1,421 and \$2,008 in the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively. The amount of stock based compensation expenses in the year ended December 31, 2006 included incremental compensation cost of \$1,605 resulting from the modification.

Stock-based Compensation under APB No. 25

During the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2005, the Company issued stock options to certain employees with exercise prices below the fair market value of the Company's common stock at the date of grant, determined with hindsight. During 2005, in accordance with the requirements of APB No. 25, the Company has recorded deferred stock-based compensation for the difference between the exercise price of the stock options granted and the fair market value of the Company's stock at the date of grant, determined with hindsight. During the year ended December 31, 2005, the Company recorded deferred stock-based compensation related to these options of \$3,865. This deferred stock based compensation is amortized to expense on a straight-line basis over the period during which the Company's options vest, generally four years. Amortization of deferred stock-based compensation was \$2, \$191 and \$324 during the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005, respectively.

The Company granted stock options to employees with exercise prices below estimated fair market value, determined with hindsight, on the date of grant as follows:

Grants Made During Quarter Ended	Number of Options Granted	Weighted Average Exercise Price Per Share	Weighted Average Fair Value Per Share	Weighted Average Intrinsic Value Per Share
March 31, 2005	864,849	\$ 4.00	\$ 4.47	\$ 0.47
June 30, 2005	406,850	\$ 4.00	\$ 5.55	\$ 1.55
September 30, 2005	56,500	\$ 4.00	\$ 7.19	\$ 3.19
December 31, 2005	579,850	\$ 4.00	\$ 8.78	\$ 4.78
March 31, 2006	2,139,184	\$ 1.90	\$ 10.64	\$ 8.74
June 30, 2006	237,500	\$ 3.00	\$ 11.48	\$ 8.48
September 30, 2006	139,350	\$ 11.00	\$ 11.93	\$ 0.93
December 31, 2006	92,352	\$ 10.08	\$ 10.71	\$ 0.63

In connection with the repricing of stock options during the year ended December 31, 2006, the Company followed the provisions of SFAS No. 123R and eliminated its remaining deferred stock-based compensation amounts of \$3,344 related to modified stock options. Stock compensation charges for the modified options will be recorded in accordance with SFAS No. 123R.

Table of Contents**Thermage, Inc.****NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)****(In thousands of dollars, except share and per share amounts)*****Stock-based Compensation under EITF No. 96-18***

During the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2005, the Company issued options to non-employees. The options generally vest ratably over four years. The values attributable to these options are amortized on a straight line basis over the service period and the unvested portion of these options was remeasured at each vesting date. The Company believes that the fair value of the stock options is more reliably measurable than the fair value of the services received. The value of the stock options granted were revalued at each reporting date using the Black-Scholes option pricing model as prescribed by SFAS No. 123 and SFAS No. 123R using the following assumptions:

	Years Ended December 31,		
	2007	2006	2005
Dividend yield			
Risk-free interest rate	4.29%	4.96%	3.86%
Expected volatility	57%	60%	60%
Contractual life (years)	10	10	10

The weighted average estimate grant date fair values of the non-employee stock options was \$3.31 and \$3.31 per share for the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2005, respectively.

The stock-based compensation expense will fluctuate as the deemed fair value of the common stock fluctuates. In connection with the grant of stock options to non-employees, the Company recorded stock-based compensation expense of \$128, \$200 and \$132 for the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005, respectively.

Adoption of SFAS No. 123R

The Company adopted SFAS No. 123R on January 1, 2006. Under SFAS No. 123R, the Company estimated the fair value of each option award on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model using the assumptions noted in the following table. Due to a lack of historical information regarding the volatility of the Company's own stock price, expected volatility is based on an average of the historical and implied volatility of a peer group of publicly traded entities in the aesthetics market. The expected term of options gave consideration to historical exercises, the vesting term of the Company's options, the cancellation history of the Company's options and the options' contractual term of ten years. The risk-free rate for the expected term of the option is based on the U.S. Treasury Constant Maturity rate as of the date of grant. The assumptions used to value options granted during the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006 were as follows:

	Years Ended December 31,	
	2007	2006
Dividend yield		
Risk-free interest rate	4.47%	4.77%
Expected volatility	54%	55%
Expected term (years)	4.18	4.25

Table of Contents**Thermage, Inc.****NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)****(In thousands of dollars, except share and per share amounts)**

The assumptions used to value employee stock purchase plan (ESPP) shares during the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006 were as follows:

	Years Ended December 31,	
	2007	2006
Dividend yield		
Risk-free interest rate	4.63%	5.16%
Expected volatility	50%	51%
Expected term (years)	0.51	0.52

Total employee stock-based compensation expenses recorded under SFAS123R during the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006 were as follows:

	Years Ended December 31,	
	2007	2006
Stock-based compensation expense under SFAS No. 123R:		
Employee stock-based compensation expense	\$ 3,327	\$ 3,070
Employee stock purchase plan	330	56
Restricted stock units	1,011	
Total stock-based compensation under SFAS No. 123R	\$ 4,668	\$ 3,126

During the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, the Company granted stock options to purchase an aggregate of 1,111,600 and 2,608,386 shares of common stock with an estimated weighted-average grant-date fair value of \$4.07 and \$8.79 per share, respectively. The amounts for 2006 include new grants and the options that were repriced during March 2006. The total fair value of options that vested during the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006 was \$6,411 and \$3,757, respectively. The total intrinsic value of options exercised during the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006 was \$3,112 and \$3,986, respectively. Net cash proceeds from the exercise of stock options were \$690 and \$460 for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

Employee stock-based compensation expense recognized under SFAS No. 123R in the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006 was \$4,668 and \$3,126, respectively. The expense was calculated based on awards ultimately expected to vest and has been reduced for estimated forfeitures. SFAS No. 123R requires forfeitures to be estimated at the time of grant and revised, if necessary, in subsequent periods if actual forfeitures differ from those estimates.

At December 31, 2007, the Company had \$7,233 of total unrecognized compensation expense under SFAS 123R, net of estimated forfeitures, related to stock options that will be recognized over a remaining weighted-average period of 2.6 years.

At December 31, 2007, the unrecognized compensation cost related to ESPP shares was \$92, which will be recognized using the straight-line attribution method over 0.4 years. The weighted average estimated fair values of each stock issuance under the ESPP for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006 was \$2.02 and \$2.14 per share, respectively.

At December 31, 2007, the unrecognized compensation cost related to restricted stock unit awards was \$53, which will be recognized using the straight-line attribution method over 0.75 years. The weighted average estimated fair values of each restricted stock unit issuance for the year ended December 31, 2007 was \$10.56 per share.

Table of Contents**Thermage, Inc.****NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)****(In thousands of dollars, except share and per share amounts)**

Stock-based compensation expense recorded under APB No. 25, SFAS No. 123R and EITF No. 96-18 related to options granted to employees and non-employees, Employee Stock Purchase Plan and restricted stock unit awards was allocated to cost of revenue, sales and marketing, research and development and general and administrative expense as follows:

	Years Ended December 31,		
	2007	2006	2005
Cost of revenue	\$ 288	\$ 73	\$ 4
Sales and marketing	1,796	1,306	216
Research and development	903	666	124
General and administrative	1,811	1,472	112
Total stock-based compensation expense	\$ 4,798	\$ 3,517	\$ 456

NOTE 8 COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

Comprehensive income (loss) generally represents all changes in stockholders' equity except those resulting from investments or contributions by stockholders. The Company's unrealized gain on marketable investments represents the only component of other comprehensive income (loss) that is excluded from net income (loss). The changes in components of income (loss) for the periods presented are as follows:

	Years Ended December 31,		
	2007	2006	2005
Net income (loss)	\$ 2,780	\$ (3,909)	\$ (8,233)
Unrealized gain on marketable investments, net of tax	19		
Comprehensive income (loss)	\$ 2,799	\$ (3,909)	\$ (8,233)

NOTE 9 NOTES RECEIVABLE FROM STOCKHOLDERS

In September 2003, a director exercised common stock options to purchase 250,000 shares of restricted common stock at \$0.45 per share. The options were originally granted during the year ended December 31, 2002. During 2003, the Company permitted the officer to exercise the option award with a full-recourse note bearing interest at 3.31% per annum. Principal and interest is due on September 22, 2012. In July 2006, the note holder resigned as a director from the Company. In August 2007, the note holder repaid the balance of the note in the amount of \$112 plus accrued interest of \$15.

NOTE 10 LITIGATION SETTLEMENT GAIN

On July 23, 2004, the Company filed a lawsuit against Syneron Medical LTD (Syneron) in the United States District Court, Northern District of California that sought damages and injunctive relief for infringement of six of the Company's patents that the Company alleged were infringed by Syneron's systems for non-invasively treating skin. Syneron subsequently filed a patent infringement counterclaim against the Company. As a result of a settlement reached in June 2005, the Company and Syneron have granted each other a non-exclusive paid-up license under their patents asserted in the lawsuit and related patents. In addition, Syneron paid the Company a non-returnable one-time amount of approximately \$1,800 in connection with this settlement. External legal fees incurred during the same period in connection with the settlement amounted to \$154. In connection with this settlement, the Company has recorded a net gain of \$1,646 in operating results during the year ended

December 31, 2005.

Table of Contents**Thermage, Inc.****NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)****(In thousands of dollars, except share and per share amounts)****NOTE 11 INCOME TAXES**

The components of the provision for income taxes are as follows:

	Years Ended December 31,		
	2007	2006	2005
Current:			
Federal	\$ 171	\$	\$
State	100		
Total provision for income taxes	\$ 271	\$	\$

The Company's deferred tax asset consists of the following:

	December 31,	
	2007	2006
Net operating loss carryforwards	\$ 9,924	\$ 12,814
Research and development and alternative minimum tax credits	1,855	2,010
Other	1,906	1,975
Total deferred tax assets	13,685	16,799
Less: valuation allowance	(13,685)	(16,799)
Net deferred tax asset	\$	\$

The differences between the U.S. federal statutory income tax rate and the Company's effective tax rate are as follows:

	Years Ended December 31,		
	2007	2006	2005
Tax at federal statutory rate	34.00%	(34.00)%	(34.00)%
State, net of federal benefit	4.02%	(5.83)%	(5.83)%
Meals and entertainment	3.15%	2.56%	0.89%
Other	5.34%	1.45%	0.01%
Benefit for research and development credit	(10.31)%	(3.95)%	(5.62)%
Stock-based compensation	33.24%	35.84%	2.40%
Preferred stock warrant liabilities		(1.42)%	7.58%
Tax reserves	3.54%		
Change in valuation allowance	(64.09)%	5.35%	34.57%
Provision for taxes	8.89%	0.00%	0.00%

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Based upon the weight of available evidence, which includes the Company's historical operating performance, lack of taxable income and the accumulated deficit, the Company provided a full valuation allowance against its net deferred tax asset at December 31, 2007 and 2006. The valuation allowance decreased by \$3,114 and increased by \$209 and \$2,611 during the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005, respectively.

As of December 31, 2007, the Company has net operating loss carryforwards of approximately \$27,400 and \$17,100 for federal and state tax purposes, respectively. If not utilized, these carryforwards will begin to expire in 2011 for federal and in 2010 for state purposes.

Table of Contents**Thermage, Inc.****NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)****(In thousands of dollars, except share and per share amounts)**

As of December 31, 2007, the Company has research and development credit carryforwards of approximately \$1,000 and \$600 for federal and state income tax purposes, respectively. If not utilized, the federal carryforward will expire in various amounts beginning in 2011. The California tax credit can be carried forward indefinitely.

The Internal Revenue Code Section 382 limits the use of net operating loss and tax credit carryforwards in certain situations where changes occur in the stock ownership of a company. In the event the Company has a change in ownership, utilization of the carryforwards could be restricted.

Adoption of FIN 48

On January 1, 2007, the Company adopted the provisions of Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Interpretation No. 48, *Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes – an interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109* (FIN 48). FIN 48 specifies how tax benefits for uncertain tax positions are to be recognized, measured, and de-recognized in financial statements; requires certain disclosures of uncertain tax matters; specifies how reserves for uncertain tax position should be classified on the balance sheet; and provides transition and interim-period guidance, among other provisions. At the adoption date of January 1, 2007, the Company had approximately \$800 of unrecognized tax benefits, of which \$100 would have affected the Company's effective tax rate, if recognized. Accordingly, the Company recognized a liability for income taxes associated with uncertain tax positions of \$100, with a corresponding charge to beginning balance of accumulated deficit as of January 1, 2007. Additionally, the Company decreased deferred tax asset and its associated valuation allowance by \$700.

A reconciliation of the January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007 amount of unrecognized tax benefits is as follows:

Beginning balance at January 1, 2007	\$ 800
Increases (decreases) of unrecognized tax benefits taken in prior years	
Increases (decreases) of unrecognized tax benefits related to current year	210
Increases (decreases) of unrecognized tax benefits related to settlements	
Reductions to unrecognized tax benefits related to lapsing statute of limitations	
Ending balance at December 31, 2007	\$ 1,010

At December 31, 2007, the Company had \$1,010 of unrecognized tax benefits, of which, \$208 would affect the Company's effective tax rate, if recognized. The Company does not anticipate a significant change to the total amount of unrecognized tax benefits within the next twelve months. The Company will recognize interests and penalties, when they occur, related to unrecognized tax benefits as a component of income taxes. Interest and penalties are insignificant at December 31, 2007.

The Company is subject to taxation in the U.S. and in various states. Generally, with a few exceptions, the tax years 2004 to 2007 remain open to examination by the major taxing jurisdictions to which the Company is subject. The State of California has recently completed an examination of the Company's California tax return for the years 2003 and 2004 with no proposed adjustments.

NOTE 12 EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN

The Company sponsors a 401(k) defined contribution plan covering all employees. Contributions made by the Company are determined annually by the board of directors. The Company made no contributions under this plan for the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005.

Table of Contents**Thermage, Inc.****NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)****(In thousands of dollars, except share and per share amounts)****NOTE 13 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

During the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005, the Company paid \$75 each year to a member of its board of directors under the terms of a consulting agreement.

NOTE 14 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Company liquidated its \$4,950 position in auction rate securities in February 2008. The Company did not realize any gains or losses as a result of such liquidation.

NOTE 15 QUARTERLY RESULTS OF OPERATIONS (UNAUDITED)

The following table sets forth our unaudited quarterly financial results:

	Quarters Ended							
	Dec. 31, 2007	Sep. 30, 2007	Jun. 30, 2007	Mar. 31, 2007	Dec. 31, 2006	Sep. 30, 2006	Jun. 30, 2006	Mar. 31, 2006
Net revenue	\$ 16,582	\$ 13,865	\$ 17,499	\$ 15,155	\$ 14,751	\$ 12,507	\$ 14,631	\$ 12,431
Cost of revenue	3,895	3,111	4,818	4,152	4,087	3,493	3,901	3,778
Gross margin	12,687	10,754	12,681	11,003	10,664	9,014	10,730	8,653
Operating expenses:								
Sales and marketing	6,990	6,016	6,815	6,374	6,136	5,785	6,301	5,849
Research and development	2,119	2,282	2,232	2,466	2,510	2,189	2,563	2,377
General and administrative	3,138	2,695	2,784	2,683	2,628	2,688	2,393	2,264
Total operating expenses	12,247	10,993	11,831	11,523	11,274	10,662	11,257	10,490
Income (loss) from operations	440	(239)	850	(520)	(610)	(1,648)	(527)	(1,837)
Interest and other income	674	662	598	586	393	135	126	114
Interest, warrants and other income (expense)					1,606	(33)	(579)	(1,049)
Income (loss) before income taxes	1,114	423	1,448	66	1,389	(1,546)	(980)	(2,772)
Provision for income taxes	(124)		(140)	(7)				
Net income (loss)	\$ 990	\$ 423	\$ 1,308	\$ 59	\$ 1,389	\$ (1,546)	\$ (980)	\$ (2,772)
Basic income (loss) per share	\$ 0.04	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.06	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ (0.36)	\$ (0.23)	\$ (0.68)
Diluted income (loss) per share	\$ 0.04	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.05	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ (0.36)	\$ (0.23)	\$ (0.68)

Table of Contents**SCHEDULE II****THERMAGE, INC.****VALUATION AND QUALIFYING ACCOUNTS****(in thousands)****For the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005**

	Balance at Beginning of Period	Additions	Deductions	Balance at End of Period
Allowance for doubtful accounts receivable				
Year ended December 31, 2005	\$	\$ 29	\$	\$ 29
Year ended December 31, 2006	\$ 29	\$ 2	\$	\$ 31
Year ended December 31, 2007	\$ 31	\$ 79	\$ 28	\$ 82
Reserve for excess and obsolete inventory				
Year ended December 31, 2005	\$ 725	\$ 548	\$ 292	\$ 981
Year ended December 31, 2006	\$ 981	\$ 139	\$ 747	\$ 373
Year ended December 31, 2007	\$ 373	\$ 479	\$ 165	\$ 687

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Item 9. *Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure*

None

Item 9A. *Controls and Procedures*

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures. Our management evaluated, with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and our Chief Financial Officer, the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) of the Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) as of the end of the period covered by this Annual Report on Form 10-K. Based on this evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and our Chief Financial Officer have concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of December 31, 2007 to ensure that information we are required to disclose in reports that we file or submit under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in Securities and Exchange Commission rules and forms, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to management as appropriate to allow for timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

MANAGEMENT'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING

Our management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting as defined in Rule 13a-15(f) and 15d - 15 (f) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Our internal control over financial reporting is designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with policies or procedures may deteriorate.

To evaluate the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, management used the criteria set forth in *Internal Control-Integrated Framework*, issue by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. Based on its assessment using those criteria, management has concluded that we maintained effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2007.

The effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2007 has been audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their report which is included herein.

Item 9B. *Other Information*

None

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PART III

Certain information required by Part III is omitted from this Annual Report on Form 10-K because the Company will file a Definitive Proxy Statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission within 120 days after the end of our year ended December 31, 2007.

Item 10. *Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance*

The Information required by this item is incorporated herein by reference to the Proxy Statement.

Item 11. *Executive Compensation*

The Information required by this item is incorporated herein by reference to the Proxy Statement.

Item 12. *Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters*

The Information required by this item is incorporated herein by reference to the Proxy Statement.

Item 13. *Certain Relationships and Related Transactions, and Director Independence*

The Information required by this item is incorporated herein by reference to the Proxy Statement.

Item 14. *Principal Accountant Fees and Services*

The Information required by this item is incorporated herein by reference to the Proxy Statement.

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- (a)(1) The financial statements required by Item 15(a) are filed in Item 8 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.
 (2) The financial statement schedules required by Item 15(a) are filed in Item 8 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.
 (3) Exhibits

Exhibit

Number	Description
3.2 ¹	Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Registrant as currently in effect.
3.4 ¹	Bylaws of the Registrant as currently in effect.
4.1 ¹	Specimen Common Stock certificate of the Registrant.
4.2 ¹	Amended and Restated Investor Rights Agreement dated March 12, 2002 by and among the Registrant and certain stockholders.
10.1 ¹	Form of Indemnification Agreement for directors and executive officers.
10.2 ¹	1997 Stock Option Plan.
10.3 ¹	2006 Equity Incentive Plan.
10.4 ¹	2006 Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
10.5 ¹	Sublease Agreement dated September 7, 2004 by and between the Registrant and iAnywhere Solutions, Inc. for office space located at 25881 and 25901 Industrial Boulevard, Hayward, California and exhibits thereto.
10.6 ¹	Development and Supply Agreement dated October 1, 1997 by and between the Registrant and Stellartech Research Corporation and the amendments thereto.
10.7 ¹	Service Agreement dated January 14, 2003 by and between the Registrant and Stellartech Research Corporation.
10.8 ¹	Patent License and Settlement Agreement dated June 3, 2005 by and between the Registrant and Syneron.
10.9 ¹	Restated and Amended Consulting Agreement dated July 30, 1998 by and between the Registrant and Edward W. Knowlton, M.D. and the amendments thereto.
10.10 ¹	Restated and Amended Intellectual Property Assignment and License Agreement dated July 30, 1998 by and between the Registrant and Edward W. Knowlton, M.D.
10.11 ¹	Employment Agreement dated January 7, 2005 by and between the Registrant and Stephen J. Fanning.
10.12 ¹	Severance Benefit Plan effective as of February 1, 2005.
10.13 ¹	Severance Agreement and Release dated March 23, 2005 by and between the Registrant and Keith L. Mallowney.
10.14 ²	Form of Notice of Grant for, and Terms and Conditions of, Restricted Stock Units under the 2006 Equity Incentive Plan.
10.15 ²	Form of Notice of Grant for, and Terms and Conditions of, Restricted Stock under the 2006 Equity Incentive Plan.
10.16 ²	Form of Notice of Grant for, and Terms and Conditions of, Stock Options under the 2006 Equity Incentive Plan.
10.17 ³	Employment Agreement dated November 5, 2007 by and between the Registrant and John F. Glenn
23.1	Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.
24.1	Power of Attorney (see page 89).
31.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer under Securities Exchange Act Rule 13a-14(a).

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Exhibit

Number	Description
31.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer under Securities Exchange Act Rule 13a-14(a).
32.1	Certifications of Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S. C. 1350 and Securities Exchange Act Rule 13a-14(b).

¹ Incorporated by reference from our Registration Statement on Form S-1 (Registration No. 333-136501), which was declared effective on November 9, 2006.

² Incorporated by reference from our Current Report on Form 8-K dated February 13, 2007.

³ Incorporated by reference from our Current Report on Form 8-K dated January 4, 2008.

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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the city of Hayward, State of California, on the 14th day of March 2008.

THERMAGE, INC.

By: /s/ STEPHEN J. FANNING
Stephen J. Fanning

President and Chief Executive Officer

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN AND WOMEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints Stephen J. Fanning and John F. Glenn, his attorney-in-fact, for him or her in any and all capacities, to sign any amendments to this Annual Report on Form 10-K, and to file the same, with exhibits thereto and other documents in connection therewith, with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney-in-fact, or his substitute, may do or cause to be done by virtue thereof.

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

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ STEPHEN J. FANNING Stephen J. Fanning	President, Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)	March 14, 2008
/s/ JOHN F. GLENN John F. Glenn	Chief Financial Officer	March 14, 2008
/s/ HAROLD L. COVERT Harold L. Covert	Director	March 14, 2008
/s/ EDWARD W. KNOWLTON, MD Edward W. Knowlton, MD	Director	March 14, 2008
/s/ CATHY L. MCCARTHY Cathy L. McCarthy	Director	March 14, 2008
/s/ MARTY MORFITT Marty Morfitt	Director	March 14, 2008
/s/ MARK M. SIECZKAREK Mark M. Sieczkarek	Director	March 14, 2008

