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# **Subject to Completion**

Preliminary Prospectus Supplement dated October 8, 2009

**Prospectus Supplement** 

(To Prospectus Dated September 15, 2009)

# Stereotaxis, Inc.

# **Shares**

# **Common Stock**

Stereotaxis, Inc. is offering shares of its common stock, \$0.001 par value per share. Our common stock is listed on the Nasdaq Global Market under the symbol STXS . The last reported sale price of our common stock on the Nasdaq Global Market on October 8, 2009 was \$4.25 per share.

Investing in our common stock involves risks and uncertainties. See <u>Risk Factors</u> on page S-2 of this prospectus supplement and beginning on page 2 of the accompanying prospectus. You should read this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus and the documents incorporated by reference into the accompanying prospectus carefully before you make your investment decision.

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

	Per Share	Total
Public offering price	\$	\$
Underwriting discounts and commissions	\$	\$
Proceeds, before expenses, to Stereotaxis	\$	\$

We have granted the underwriters the right to purchase up to an additional shares of our common stock at the public offering price per share, less the underwriting discount, within 30 days of this prospectus supplement to cover over-allotments.

The underwriters expect to deliver the shares against payment in New York, New York on October , 2009.

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Joint Book-Running Managers

# **Deutsche Bank Securities**

Oppenheimer & Co.

**Barrington Research** 

**Summer Street** 

The date of this prospectus supplement is October , 2009.

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Unless otherwise mentioned or unless the context requires otherwise, all references in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus to the company, Stereotaxis, we, us, our, or similar references mean Stereotaxis, Inc.

This document is in two parts. The first part is this prospectus supplement, which describes the terms of this offering of our common stock and supplements information contained in the accompanying prospectus and the documents incorporated by reference into the accompanying prospectus. The second part is the accompanying prospectus, which gives more general information about us and the shares of common stock we may offer from time to time under our shelf registration statement. To the extent there is a conflict between the information contained in this prospectus supplement, on the one hand, and the information contained in the accompanying prospectus or any document incorporated by reference therein, on the other hand, the information in this prospectus supplement shall control.

We have not authorized any dealer, salesman or other person to give any information or to make any representation other than those contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. You must not rely upon any information or representation not contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus. This prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus do not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy common stock, nor do this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy common stock in any jurisdiction to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such offer or solicitation in such jurisdiction.

You should not assume that the information contained in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus is accurate on any date subsequent to the date set forth on the front of the document or that any information we have incorporated by reference is correct on any date subsequent to the date of the document incorporated by reference, even though this prospectus supplement and any accompanying prospectus is delivered or common stock is sold on a later date. The forward-looking statements included or incorporated by reference in this document are only made as of the date of this document or as of the date of such statement contained in the respective documents incorporated by reference herein, respectively, and we disclaim any obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statement to reflect subsequent events or circumstances.

#### THE OFFERING

Common stock offered by us shares

Common stock to be outstanding after this offering shares

Offering price

Use of Proceeds We intend to use the proceeds of this offering for working capital;

sales, marketing and clinical support initiatives; research and development; and general corporate purposes. See Use of Proceeds

on page S-3 of this prospectus supplement.

Risk Factors

You should read the Risk Factors section of this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus, and in the documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the

accompanying prospectus for a discussion of factors to consider before deciding to purchase shares of our common stock.

Nasdaq Global Market Symbol STXS

The information above and elsewhere in this prospectus supplement regarding outstanding shares of our common stock is based on 42,715,852 shares of common stock outstanding as of September 14, 2009 and excludes the following shares of stock as of September 14, 2009: (i) 4,533,918 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of outstanding options and stock appreciation rights at a weighted average exercise price of \$6.79 per share (giving effect to the completion of our exchange offer on September 14, 2009, as described under Recent Developments below) and (ii) 8,959,647 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of outstanding warrants at a weighted average exercise price of \$4.27 per share. We had 904,012 unearned restricted shares as of September 14, 2009.

Unless otherwise indicated, all information in this prospectus supplement assumes no exercise of the underwriters over-allotment option to purchase up to shares of common stock.

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#### RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

Exchange Offer. On August 17, 2009, we filed a Schedule TO (as amended and supplemented, the Schedule TO ) with the Securities and Exchange Commission relating to our offer to certain employees to exchange some or all of their eligible outstanding incentive stock options, non-qualified stock options and stock appreciation rights (collectively, Eligible Awards ) relating to our common stock in exchange for replacement Options (Replacement Options ) and replacement SARs (Replacement SARs and collectively with the Replacement Options, the Replacement Awards ), as the case may be (the Exchange Offer ), on the terms and conditions described therein. On September 14, 2009, we reported that the Exchange Offer expired at 11:59 p.m., St. Louis time. Pursuant to the Exchange Offer 407,832 Eligible Awards were tendered for exchange, representing approximately 42% of the total Eligible Awards. On September 14, 2009, we granted an aggregate of 149,976 Replacement Awards in exchange for the Eligible Awards surrendered in the Exchange Offer. The exercise price of the Replacement Awards is \$4.10 per share, which was the closing price of our common stock on September 14, 2009 as reported by the NASDAQ Global Market. Unless otherwise indicated herein, all descriptions of outstanding stock option and stock appreciation rights give effect to the completion of the Exchange Offer.

Credit Facility. On October 6, 2009, the Company received a commitment letter from Silicon Valley Bank regarding an increase and extension of the Company s credit facility. Under the terms set forth in the commitment letter, the Company could borrow up to \$30 million, compared with \$25 million under its current facility. Consistent with the current agreement, the revolving line of credit would include a sublimit of \$10 million for advances guaranteed by two current shareholders. The facility would be extended for another year and would mature on March 31, 2011. The commitment is subject to completion of definitive loan documents and other typical closing conditions. In addition, the Company is in discussions with the shareholder guarantors regarding the final terms of a proposed extension of their \$10 million guaranty facility to March 31, 2011.

#### RISK FACTORS

An investment in our common stock involves a high degree of risk. You should carefully consider the risks described under Risk Factors in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K, the risks described under Risk Factors set forth on page 2 of the accompanying prospectus, as well as all of the other information contained in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus and incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, including our financial statements and related notes, before investing in our common stock. If any of the possible events described in those documents actually occur, our business, business prospects, cash flow, results of operations or financial condition could be harmed. In this case, the trading price of our common stock could decline, and you might lose all or part of your investment in our common stock. Additional risks and uncertainties not presently known to us or that we currently deem immaterial may also impair our operations.

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#### USE OF PROCEEDS

We estimate that the net proceeds from this offering will be approximately \$\) (or approximately \$\) if the underwriters exercise their over allotment option in full) after deducting the underwriters discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us.

We intend to use the net proceeds from this offering for:

working capital;

continued sales, marketing and clinical support initiatives relating to the commercialization of our products;

continued research and development, including the enhancement of our existing system through ongoing product and software development, the design of new proprietary disposable interventional devices for use with our system and the development of next generation versions of our system; and

for general corporate purposes, which may include the purchase of equipment and the expansion or relocation of facilities. We have not determined the amounts we plan to spend on any of the areas listed above or the timing of these expenditures. As a result, our management will have broad discretion to allocate the net proceeds from this offering. Pending application of the net proceeds as described above, we intend to temporarily invest the proceeds in short-term interest bearing instruments.

# DIVIDEND POLICY

We have never declared or paid any dividends on our capital stock. We anticipate that we will retain any earnings to support operations and to finance the growth and development of our business. Additionally, under our credit facilities, we are prohibited from declaring dividends without the prior consent of our lender. Therefore, we do not expect to pay cash dividends in the foreseeable future. Any future determination relating to our dividend policy will be made at the discretion of our board of directors and will depend on a number of factors, including future earnings, capital requirements, financial conditions, future prospects and other factors that the board of directors may deem relevant.

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# **CAPITALIZATION**

The following table sets forth our capitalization as of June 30, 2009:

on an actual basis; and

on an as-adjusted basis, to give effect to the sale of shares of common stock offered by us at a public offering price of \$ per share in this offering, and after deducting the underwriters discounts and commissions and our estimated offering expenses.

	As of June 30, 2009 Actual As Adjusted	
	(unai	ıdited)
	(in thousands	, except shares)
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 12,780	\$
Short-term debt, including current maturities of long-term debt	14,901	14,901
Long-term debt, including current maturities	13,496	13,496
Stockholders equity		
Common stock, \$0.001 par value; 100,000,000 shares authorized; 42,747,838 shares		
issued, actual, and shares issued, as adjusted	43	
Additional paid-in capital	300,589	
Treasury stock, 40,151 shares	(206)	(206)
Accumulated deficit	(310,928)	(310,928)
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Total stockholders equity (deficit)	(10,503)	
Total capitalization	\$ 2,993	

# DILUTION

As of June 30, 2009, our unaudited net tangible book value was -\$11.7 million, or approximately -\$0.27 per share. Net tangible book value per share is the amount of our total tangible assets reduced by the amount of our total liabilities and divided by the total number of shares of common stock outstanding.

Net tangible book value dilution per share to new investors represents the difference between the weighted average amount per share paid by purchasers of shares of common stock in this offering and the net tangible book value per share of our common stock immediately after completion of this offering. After giving effect to the sale of shares of our common stock in this offering and deducting underwriters discounts and commissions and our estimated offering expenses, our net tangible book value as of June 30, 2009 would have been \$ per share. This amount represents an immediate increase in net tangible book value of \$ per share to existing stockholders and an immediate dilution (on a weighted average basis) in net tangible book value of \$ per share to purchasers of common stock in this offering, as illustrated in the following table:

Public offering price per share of common stock		\$
Net tangible book value per share as of June 30, 2009	\$ (0.27)	
Increase per share attributable to new investors after giving effect to this offering	\$	
Pro forma net tangible book value per share after giving effect to this offering		\$
Dilution in net tangible book value per share to new investors		\$

This table assumes no exercise of options or stock appreciation rights to purchase 4,533,918 shares of common stock at a weighted average exercise price of \$6.79 per share (giving effect to the completion of our exchange offer on September 14, 2009, as described under Recent Developments above) or warrants to purchase 8,959,647 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of outstanding warrants at a weighted average exercise price of \$4.27 per share, in each case outstanding as of September 14, 2009. To the extent that options or warrants are exercised, there will be further dilution to new investors.

#### UNDERWRITING

Subject to the terms and conditions of the underwriting agreement, the underwriters named below, through their representatives Deutsche Bank Securities Inc. and Oppenheimer & Co. Inc. have severally agreed to purchase from us the following respective number of shares of common stock at a public offering price less the underwriting discounts and commissions set forth on the cover page of this prospectus supplement. Deutsche Bank Securities Inc. and Oppenheimer & Co. Inc. are operating as joint book-running managers in this offering.

Underwriters	Number of Shares
Deutsche Bank Securities Inc.	
Oppenheimer & Co. Inc.	
Barrington Research Associates, Inc.	
Summer Street Research Partners	
Total	

The underwriting agreement provides that the obligations of the several underwriters to purchase the shares of common stock offered hereby are subject to certain conditions precedent and that the underwriters will purchase all of the shares of common stock offered by this prospectus supplement, other than those covered by the over-allotment option described below, if any of these shares are purchased.

We have been advised by the representatives of the underwriters that the underwriters propose to offer the shares of common stock to the public at the public offering price set forth on the cover of this prospectus supplement and to dealers at a price that represents a concession not in excess of \$ per share under the public offering price. The underwriters may allow, and these dealers may re-allow, a concession of not more than \$ per share to other dealers. After the public offering, representatives of the underwriters may change the offering price and other selling terms.

We have granted to the underwriters an option, exercisable not later than 30 days after the date of this prospectus supplement, to purchase up to additional shares of common stock at the public offering price less the underwriting discounts and commissions set forth on the cover page of this prospectus supplement. The underwriters may exercise this option only to cover over-allotments made in connection with the sale of the common stock offered by this prospectus supplement. To the extent that the underwriters exercise this option, each of the underwriters will become obligated, subject to conditions, to purchase approximately the same percentage of these additional shares of common stock as the number of shares of common stock to be purchased by it in the above table bears to the total number of shares of common stock offered by this prospectus supplement. We will be obligated, pursuant to the option, to sell these additional shares of common stock to the underwriters to the extent the option is exercised. If any additional shares of common stock are purchased, the underwriters will offer the additional shares on the same terms as those on which the

The underwriting discounts and commissions per share are equal to the public offering price per share of common stock less the amount paid by the underwriters to us per share of common stock. Pursuant to a requirement by the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, or FINRA, the maximum discounts, commission, or other consideration to be received by any FINRA member or independent broker/dealer may not be greater than 8.0% of the gross proceeds received by us from the sale of any securities being registered pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act ). We have agreed to pay the underwriters the following discounts and commissions, assuming either no exercise or full exercise by the underwriters of the underwriters over-allotment option:

			Total
		Without Exercise of	With Full Exercise of
	Per share	Over-Allotment Option	Over-Allotment Option
Discounts and commissions paid by us	\$	\$	\$

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We have agreed to reimburse the underwriters for certain costs and expenses incurred by them in connection with this offering, including the fees and disbursements of counsel to the underwriters in an amount not to exceed \$100,000. We estimate that our share of the total expenses of this offering, excluding underwriting discounts and commissions, will be approximately \$300,000.

We have agreed to indemnify the underwriters against some specified types of liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, and to contribute to payments the underwriters may be required to make in respect of any of these liabilities.

Each of our officers and directors have agreed not to offer, sell, contract to sell or otherwise dispose of, or enter into any transaction that is designed to, or could be expected to, result in the disposition of any shares of our common stock or other securities convertible into or exchangeable or exercisable for shares of our common stock or derivatives of our common stock owned by these persons prior to this offering or common stock issuable upon exercise of options or warrants held by these persons for a period of 60 days after the date of this prospectus supplement without the prior written consent of Deutsche Bank Securities Inc. This consent may be given at any time without public notice. We have entered into a similar agreement with the representatives of the underwriters. There are no agreements between the representatives and any of our directors or officers releasing them from these lock-up agreements prior to the expiration of the 60-day period.

In connection with the offering, the underwriters may purchase and sell shares of our common stock in the open market. These transactions may include short sales, purchases to cover positions created by short sales and stabilizing transactions.

Short sales involve the sale by the underwriters of a greater number of shares than they are required to purchase in the offering. Covered short sales are sales made in an amount not greater than the underwriters—option to purchase additional shares of common stock from us in the offering. The underwriters may close out any covered short position by either exercising their option to purchase additional shares or purchasing shares in the open market. In determining the source of shares to close out the covered short position, the underwriters will consider, among other things, the price of shares available for purchase in the open market as compared to the price at which they may purchase shares through the over-allotment option.

Naked short sales are any sales in excess of the over-allotment option. The underwriters must close out any naked short position by purchasing shares in the open market. A naked short position is more likely to be created if underwriters are concerned that there may be downward pressure on the price of the shares in the open market prior to the completion of the offering.

Stabilizing transactions consist of various bids for or purchases of our common stock made by the underwriters in the open market prior to the completion of the offering.

The underwriters may impose a penalty bid. This occurs when a particular underwriter repays to the other underwriters a portion of the underwriting discount received by it because the representatives of the underwriters have repurchased shares sold by or for the account of that underwriter in stabilizing or short covering transactions.

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Purchases to cover a short position and stabilizing transactions may have the effect of preventing or slowing a decline in the market price of our common stock. Additionally, these purchases, along with the imposition of the penalty bid, may stabilize, maintain or otherwise affect the market price of our common stock. As a result, the price of our common stock may be higher than the price that might otherwise exist in the open market. These transactions may be effected on the Nasdaq Global Market, in the over-the-counter market or otherwise.

Some of the underwriters or their affiliates have provided investment banking services to us in the past and may do so in the future. They receive customary fees and commissions for these services.

# **DESCRIPTION OF SECURITIES**

The holders of common stock are entitled to one vote for each share held of record on all matters submitted to a vote of the stockholders. Our stockholders do not have cumulative voting rights in the election of directors. Accordingly, holders of a majority of the shares voting are able to elect all of the directors. Subject to preferences that may be granted to any then outstanding preferred stock, holders of common stock are entitled to receive ratably only those dividends as may be declared by the board of directors out of funds legally available therefor, as well as any distributions to the stockholders. In the event of our liquidation, dissolution or winding up, holders of common stock are entitled to share ratably in all of our assets remaining after we pay our liabilities and distribute the liquidation preference of any then outstanding preferred stock. Holders of common stock have no preemptive or other subscription or conversion rights. There are no redemption or sinking fund provisions applicable to the common stock. Please refer to Description of Capital Stock at page 30 of the accompanying prospectus for additional information relating to the common stock offered hereby.

# INCORPORATION OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE

The Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) allows us to incorporate by reference information into this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, which means we can disclose important information to you by referring you to other documents that the company filed separately with the SEC. You should consider the incorporated information as if we reproduced it in this prospectus supplement, except for any information directly superseded by information subsequently filed with the SEC and incorporated in this prospectus supplement.

We incorporate by reference into this prospectus supplement the following documents (SEC File No. 000-50884), which contain important information about us and our business and financial results:

our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008;

our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarters ended March 31, 2009 and June 30, 2009;

our Current Reports on Form 8-K filed January 8, 2009, February 24, 2009, February 26, 2009 (regarding Item 3.02), February 27, 2009, March 16, 2009, April 10, 2009, August 6, 2009 (regarding Item 5.02), and October 7, 2009;

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our Current Report on Form 8-K filed on August 6, 2009, which updated certain information in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008 (as amended by that certain filing on Form 8-K/A filed September 8, 2009); and

the description of our common stock contained in our Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed August 2, 2004. We incorporate by reference any additional documents that we may file with the SEC under Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (other than the portions of those made pursuant to Item 2.02 or Item 7.01 of Form 8-K or other information furnished to the SEC) between the date we filed the registration statement to which this prospectus supplement relates, and the termination of the offering of the securities. These documents may include periodic reports, such as Annual Reports on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and Current Reports on Form 8-K, as well as Proxy Statements. Any material that we subsequently file with the SEC will automatically update and replace the information previously filed with the SEC.

Any statement contained in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated herein by reference shall be deemed to be modified or superseded to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any other subsequently filed document which also is or is deemed to be incorporated herein by reference modifies or supersedes such statement in such document. Any statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of the registration statement of which this prospectus supplement is a part.

You may get copies of any of the document incorporated by reference (excluding exhibits, unless the exhibits are specifically incorporated) at no charge to you by writing or calling the investor relations department at Stereotaxis, Inc. 4320 Forest Park Avenue, Suite 100, St. Louis, Missouri 63108, telephone (314) 678-6100.

# LEGAL MATTERS

The validity of the common stock offered hereby will be passed upon for us by Bryan Cave LLP, St. Louis, Missouri. James L. Nouss, Jr., a partner of our legal counsel Bryan Cave LLP, owns 11,727 shares of our common stock, and is also our corporate secretary. Goodwin Procter LLP, New York, New York, will pass upon certain legal matters in connection with this offering for the underwriters.

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# **PROSPECTUS**

\$75,000,000

**Debt Securities** 

Common Stock

Preferred Stock

Warrants

# Units

We may offer and sell from time to time up to \$75,000,000 of debt securities, common stock, preferred stock, warrants or units consisting of any two or more of such securities.

We will provide specific terms of these securities in supplements to this prospectus for each offering of securities. This prospectus may not be used to sell securities unless accompanied by a prospectus supplement.

Our common stock is listed on the Nasdaq Global Market under the symbol STXS. Each prospectus supplement offering any securities other than our common stock will state whether those securities are listed or will be listed on the Nasdaq Global Market or any other securities market or other exchange.

We may offer securities through underwriting syndicates managed or co-managed by one or more underwriters, directly to purchasers or in any manner specified in a prospectus supplement. The prospectus supplement for each offering of securities will describe in detail the plan of distribution for that offering. For general information about the distribution of securities, see Plan of Distribution in this prospectus.

Investing in these securities involves significant risks. See Risk Factors beginning on page 2 of this prospectus.

NEITHER THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION NOR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION HAS APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED OF THESE SECURITIES OR PASSED UPON THE ADEQUACY OR ACCURACY OF THIS PROSPECTUS. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

The date of this prospectus is September 15, 2009.

#### ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS

This prospectus is part of a registration statement that we filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, which we refer to as the SEC, utilizing a shelf registration process. Under this shelf process, we may, from time to time, sell any combination of the securities described in this prospectus in one or more offerings up to a total amount of \$75,000,000.

This prospectus provides you with a general description of the securities we may offer. Each time we sell securities, we will provide a prospectus supplement that will contain specific information about the terms of that offering. We will file each prospectus supplement with the SEC. The prospectus supplement may also add, update or change information contained in this prospectus. You should read both this prospectus and any prospectus supplement together with additional information described under the heading Where You Can Find Additional Information below.

You should only rely on the information contained in this prospectus and any prospectus supplement, including the information incorporated by reference. We have not authorized anyone to provide you with different information. The information contained in this prospectus is complete and accurate only as of the date on the front cover, but the information may have changed since that date. The forward-looking statements included or incorporated by reference in this prospectus are only made as of the date of this prospectus or as of the date of such statement contained in the respective documents incorporated by reference herein, respectively, and we disclaim any obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statement to reflect subsequent events or circumstances even though our situation may change in the future.

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#### THE COMPANY

Stereotaxis designs, manufactures and markets an advanced cardiology instrument control system for use in a hospital s interventional medical suite, or interventional lab, that we believe revolutionizes the treatment of arrhythmias and coronary artery disease by enabling important new therapeutic solutions and enhancing the efficiency and efficacy of existing catheter-based, or interventional, procedures. Our Niobe® system allows physicians to more effectively navigate proprietary catheters, guidewires and other delivery devices, both our own and those we are co-developing with strategic partners, through the blood vessels and chambers of the heart to treatment sites in order to effect treatment. This is achieved using computer-controlled, externally applied magnetic fields that precisely and directly govern the motion of the internal, or working, tip of the catheter, guidewire or other interventional device. We believe that our Niobe system represents a revolutionary technology in the interventional lab, bringing precise remote digital instrument control and programmability to the interventional lab, and has the potential to become the standard of care for a broad range of complex cardiology procedures. Our Odyssey Total Information Solution allows physicians to utilize a consolidated user interface and single mouse and keyboard control for multiple systems within the interventional lab.

We were incorporated in Delaware in June 1990 as Stereotaxis, Inc. Our principal executive offices are located at 4320 Forest Park Avenue, Suite 100, St. Louis, Missouri 63108, and our telephone number is (314) 678-6100. Our website address is www.stereotaxis.com. Information contained on our website is not incorporated by reference into and does not form any part of this prospectus. As used in this prospectus, references to Company, we, our, us and Stereotaxis refer to Stereotaxis, Inc. unless the context requires otherwise.

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#### RISK FACTORS

Investing in our securities involves a high degree of risk. Prior to making a decision about investing in our securities, you should carefully consider the risks described below and all other information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus. The risks and uncertainties described below and in other filings incorporated by reference in this prospectus are not the only ones facing the Company. Additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to us or that we currently consider immaterial may also adversely affect us. If any of the following risks actually occurs, our business, results of operations and financial condition will likely suffer. As a result, the trading price of our common stock and/or the value of any other securities we may issue may decline, and you might lose part or all of your investment.

The following uncertainties and factors, among others, could affect future performance and cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied by forward looking statements.

# Hospital decision-makers may not purchase our Niobe or Odyssey system or may think that such systems are too expensive.

The market for our products and related technology is not well established. To achieve continued sales, hospitals must purchase our products, and in particular, our Niobe Magnetic Navigation System. The Niobe Magnetic Navigation System, which is the core of our Niobe system, is a novel device, and hospitals and physicians are traditionally slow to adopt new products and treatment practices. In addition, hospitals may delay their purchase or installation decision for the Niobe system based on the disposable interventional devices that have received regulatory clearance or approval. Moreover, the Niobe system is an expensive piece of capital equipment, representing a significant portion of the cost of a new or replacement interventional lab. Although priced significantly below a Niobe system, the Odyssey system is still an expensive piece of equipment. If hospitals do not widely adopt our systems, or if they decide that they are too expensive, we may never become profitable. Any failure to sell as many systems as our business plan requires could also have a seriously detrimental impact on our results of operations, financial condition, and cash flow.

# General economic conditions could materially adversely impact us.

Our operating performance is dependent upon economic conditions in the United States and in other countries in which we operate. The recent economic downturn in the United States and in other countries in which we sell our products may cause customers to delay purchasing or installation decisions or cancel existing orders. The Niobe and Odyssey systems are typically purchased as part of a larger overall capital project and an economic downturn and financial turmoil affecting the banking system and financial markets might make it more difficult for our customers, including distributors, to obtain adequate financing to support the project or to obtain requisite approvals. Any delay in purchasing decisions or cancellation of purchasing commitments may result in a decrease in our revenues. The credit crisis could further affect our business if key suppliers are unable to obtain financing to manufacture our products or become insolvent and we are unable to manufacture product to meet customer demand. If conditions become more severe or continue longer than we anticipate, we may experience a material negative decrease on the demand for our products which may, in turn, have a material adverse effect on our revenue, profitability, financial condition, ability to raise additional capital and the market price of our stock.

#### Physicians may not use our products if they do not believe they are safe, efficient and effective.

We believe that physicians will not use our products unless they determine that the Niobe system provides a safe, effective and preferable alternative to interventional methods in general use today. Currently, there is only limited clinical data on the Niobe system with which to assess safety and efficacy. If longer-term patient studies or clinical experience indicate that treatment with our system or products is less effective, less efficient or less safe than our current data suggest, our sales would be harmed, and we could be subject to significant liability. Further, unsatisfactory patient outcomes

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or patient injury could cause negative publicity for our products, particularly in the early phases of product introduction. In addition, physicians may be slow to adopt our products if they perceive liability risks arising from the use of these new products. It is also possible that as our products become more widely used, latent defects could be identified, creating negative publicity and liability problems for us and adversely affecting demand for our products. If physicians do not use our products, we likely will not become profitable or generate sufficient cash to survive as a going concern.

Our collaborations with Siemens, Philips, Biosense Webster or other parties may fail, or we may not be able to enter into additional partnerships or collaborations in the future.

We are collaborating with Siemens, Philips, Biosense Webster and other parties to integrate our instrument control technology with their respective imaging products or disposable interventional devices and to co-develop additional disposable interventional devices for use with our Niobe system. A significant portion of our revenue from system sales will be derived from these integrated products. Siemens provides post-installation maintenance and support services to our customers for our integrated systems.

Our product commercialization plans could be disrupted, leading to lower than expected revenue and a material and adverse impact on our results of operations and cash flow, if:

any of our collaboration partners delays or fails in the integration of its technology with our Niobe system as planned;

any of our collaboration partners fails to develop or commercialize the integrated products in a timely manner;

any of our collaboration partners do not co-market and co-promote our integrated products diligently or do not provide maintenance and support services as we expect; or

we become involved in disputes with one or more of our collaboration partners regarding our collaborations. Siemens, Philips and Biosense Webster, as well as some of our other collaborators, are large, global organizations with diverse product lines and interests that may diverge from our interests in commercializing our products. Accordingly, our collaborators may not devote adequate resources to our products, or may experience financial difficulties, change their business strategy or undergo a business combination that may affect their willingness or ability to fulfill their obligations to us.

The failure of one or more of our collaborations could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations and cash flow. In addition, if we are unable to enter into additional partnerships in the future, or if these partnerships fail, our ability to develop and commercialize products could be impacted negatively and our revenue could be adversely affected.

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We have limited experience selling, marketing, and distributing products, which could impair our ability to increase revenue.

We currently market our products in the U.S., Europe and the rest of the world through a direct sales force of sales specialists, distributors and sales agents, supported by account managers and clinical specialists who provide training, clinical support, and other services to our customers. If we are unable to effectively utilize our existing sales force or increase our existing sales force in the foreseeable future, we may be unable to generate the revenue we have projected in our business plan. Factors that may inhibit our sales and marketing efforts include:

our inability to recruit and retain adequate numbers of qualified sales and marketing personnel;

the inability of sales personnel to obtain access to or persuade adequate numbers of hospitals and physicians to purchase and use our products;

unforeseen costs associated with maintaining and expanding an independent sales and marketing organization; and

unforeseen costs associated with maintaining and expanding an independent sales and marketing organization. In addition, if we fail to effectively use distributors or contract sales agents for distribution of our products where appropriate, our revenue and profitability would be adversely affected.

# Our marketing strategy is dependent on collaboration with physician thought leaders.

Our research and development efforts and our marketing strategy depend heavily on obtaining support and collaboration from highly regarded physicians at leading commercial and research hospitals, particularly in the U.S. and Europe. If we are unable to gain and/or maintain such support and collaboration or if the reputation or standing of these physicians is impaired or otherwise adversely affected, our ability to market our products and, as a result, our financial condition, results of operations and cash flow could be materially and adversely affected.

# We may not be able to rapidly train physicians in numbers sufficient to generate adequate demand for our products.

In order for physicians to learn to use the Niobe system, they must attend one or more training sessions in order to familiarize themselves with a sophisticated user interface. Market acceptance could be delayed by lack of physician willingness to attend training sessions or by the time required to complete this training. An inability to train a sufficient number of physicians to generate adequate demand for our products could have a material adverse impact on our financial condition and cash flow.

# Customers may choose to purchase competing products and not ours.

Our products must compete with established manual interventional methods. These methods are widely accepted in the medical community, have a long history of use and do not require the purchase of an additional expensive piece of capital equipment. In addition, many of the medical conditions that can be treated using our products can also be treated with existing pharmaceuticals or other medical devices and procedures. Many of these alternative treatments are widely accepted in the medical community and have a long history of use.

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We also face competition from companies that are developing drugs or other medical devices or procedures to treat the conditions for which our products are intended. The medical device and pharmaceutical industries make significant investments in research and development, and innovation is rapid and continuous. We are aware of one public company that has commercialized a catheter delivery system which has been cleared by the FDA for mapping procedures only, and we are aware of one private company at a much earlier stage of development. If these or other new products or technologies emerge that provide the same or superior benefits as our products at equal or lesser cost, it could render our products obsolete or unmarketable. We cannot be certain that physicians will use our products to replace or supplement established treatments or that our products will be competitive with current or future products and technologies.

Many of our other competitors also have longer operating histories, significantly greater financial, technical, marketing and other resources, greater name recognition and a larger base of customers than we do. In addition, as the markets for medical devices develop, additional competitors could enter the market. We cannot assure you that we will be able to compete successfully against existing or new competitors. Our revenue would be reduced or eliminated if our competitors develop and market products that are more effective and less expensive than our products.

If we are unable to fulfill our current purchase orders and other commitments on a timely basis or at all, we may not be able to achieve future sales growth.

Our backlog, which consists of purchase orders and other commitments, is considered by some investors to be a significant indicator of future performance. Consequently, negative changes to this backlog or its failure to grow commensurate with expectations could negatively impact our future operating results or our share price. Our backlog includes those outstanding purchase orders and other commitments that management believes will result in recognition of revenue upon delivery or installation of our systems. We cannot assure you that we will recognize revenue in any particular period or at all because some of our purchase orders and other commitments are subject to contingencies that are outside our control. In addition, these orders and commitments may be revised, modified or cancelled, either by their express terms, as a result of negotiations or by project changes or delays. System installation is by its nature subject to the interventional lab construction or renovation process which comprises multiple stages, all of which are outside of our control. Although the actual installation of our Niobe system requires only a few weeks, and can be accomplished by either our staff or by subcontractors, successful installation of our system can be subjected to delays related to the overall construction or renovation process. If we experience any failures or delays in completing the installation of these systems, our reputation would suffer and we may not be able to sell additional systems. We have experienced situations in which our purchase orders and other commitments did not result in recognizing revenue from placement of a system with a customer. In addition to construction delays, there are risks that an institution will attempt to cancel a purchase order as a result of subsequent project review by the institution or the departure from the institution of physicians or physician groups who have expressed an interest in the Niobe or Odyssey system.

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These, or similar events, have occurred in the past and are likely to occur in the future, causing delays in revenue recognition or even removal of orders and other commitments from our backlog. Such events would have a negative effect on our revenue and results of operations.

We will likely experience long and variable sales and installation cycles, which could result in substantial fluctuations in our quarterly results of operations.

We anticipate that our Niobe system will continue to have a lengthy sales cycle because it consists of a relatively expensive piece of capital equipment, the purchase of which requires the approval of senior management at hospitals, inclusion in the hospitals interventional lab budget process for capital expenditures, and, in some instances, a certificate of need from the state or other regulatory approval. In addition, historically the majority of our Niobe systems have been delivered less than one year after the receipt of a purchase order from a hospital, with the timing being dependant on the construction cycle for the new or replacement interventional suite in which the equipment will be installed. In some cases, this time frame has been extended further because the interventional suite construction is part of a larger construction project at the customer site (typically the construction of a new building), which may occur with our existing and future purchase orders. We cannot assure you that the time from purchase order to delivery for systems to be delivered in the future will be consistent with our historical experience. Moreover, the global economic slowdown may cause our customers to further delay construction or significant capital purchases, which could further lengthen our sales cycle. This may contribute to substantial fluctuations in our quarterly operating results. As a result, in future quarters our operating results could fall below the expectations of securities analysts or investors, in which event our stock price would likely decrease.

If the magnetic fields generated by our system are not compatible with, or interfere with, other widely used equipment in the interventional labs, sales of our products would be negatively affected.

Our Niobe system generates magnetic fields that directly govern the motion of the internal, or working, tip of disposable interventional devices. If other equipment in the interventional labs or elsewhere in a hospital is incompatible with the magnetic fields generated by our system, or if our system interferes with such equipment, we may be required to install additional shielding, which may be expensive and which may not solve the problem. If magnetic interference becomes a significant issue at targeted institutions, it would increase our installation costs at those institutions and could limit the number of hospitals that would be willing to purchase and install our systems, either of which would adversely affect our financial condition, results of operations and cash flow.

The use of our products could result in product liability claims that could be expensive, divert management s attention, and harm our reputation and business.

Our business exposes us to significant risks of product liability claims. The medical device industry has historically been litigious, and we could face product liability claims if the use of our products were to cause injury or death. The coverage limits of our product liability insurance policies may not be adequate to cover future claims, and we may be unable to maintain product liability insurance in the future at satisfactory rates or adequate amounts. A product liability claim, regardless of its merit or eventual outcome, could divert management statention, result in significant legal defense costs, significant harm to our reputation and a decline in revenue.

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Our costs could substantially increase if we receive a significant number of warranty claims.

We generally warrant each of our products against defects in materials and workmanship for a period of 12 months following the installation of our system. If product returns or warranty claims increase, we could incur unanticipated additional expenditures for parts and service. In addition, our reputation and goodwill in the interventional lab market could be damaged. Unforeseen warranty exposure in excess of our established reserves for liabilities associated with product warranties could materially and adversely affect our financial condition, results of operations and cash flow.

We may not generate cash from operations necessary to commercialize our existing products and invest in new products.

We may require additional funds to meet our operational, working capital and capital expenditure needs in the future. We cannot be certain that we will be able to obtain additional financing on favorable terms or at all. If w