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FORM 10-Q

☒ Quarterly Report Under Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2025

☐ Transition Report Under Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 for the transition period from ____ to ____.

Commission File Number: **001-37939**



MARKER THERAPEUTICS, INC.

(Name of registrant in its charter)

DELAWARE

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

45-4497941

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

2450 Holcombe Blvd, Suite BCM-A, MS: BCM251

Houston, Texas

(Address of principal executive offices)

77021

(Zip Code)

(713) 400-6400

(Issuer's telephone number)

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

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

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	MRKR	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC

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

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically every Interactive Data File required to be submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit such files). Yes ☒ No ☐

Indicate by checkmark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer	☐	Accelerated filer	☐
Non-accelerated filer	☒	Smaller reporting company	☒
		Emerging growth company	☐

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. ☐

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

The registrant had 11,314,835 shares of common stock outstanding as of May 8, 2025.

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PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION
Item 1. Financial Statements

MARKER THERAPEUTICS, INC.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(UNAUDITED)

	March 31, 2025	December 31, 2024
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 13,693,208	\$ 19,192,440
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	841,293	483,717
Other receivables	2,458,765	2,346,703
Total current assets	16,993,266	22,022,860
Total assets	\$ 16,993,266	\$ 22,022,860
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 2,090,068	\$ 1,753,954
Related party payable	411,327	1,710,500
Total current liabilities	2,501,395	3,464,454
Total liabilities	2,501,395	3,464,454
Stockholders' equity:		
Preferred stock, \$0.001 par value, 5 million shares authorized, 0 shares issued and outstanding at March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024, respectively	—	—
Common stock, \$0.001 par value, 30 million shares authorized, 11.2 million and 10.7 million shares issued and outstanding as of March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024, respectively (see Note 8)	11,213	10,708
Additional paid-in capital	465,944,020	465,564,876
Accumulated deficit	(451,463,362)	(447,017,178)
Total stockholders' equity	14,491,871	18,558,406
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 16,993,266	\$ 22,022,860

See accompanying notes to these unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

MARKER THERAPEUTICS, INC.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(UNAUDITED)

	For the Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2025	2024
Revenues:		
Grant income	\$ 349,104	\$ 1,244,061
Total revenues	<u>349,104</u>	<u>1,244,061</u>
Operating expenses:		
Research and development	3,135,427	2,575,015
General and administrative	1,369,215	1,218,063
Loss on early termination of vendor agreement	453,135	—
Total operating expenses	<u>4,957,777</u>	<u>3,793,078</u>
Loss from operations	<u>(4,608,673)</u>	<u>(2,549,017)</u>
Other income (expenses):		
Interest income	162,489	156,195
Net loss	<u>\$ (4,446,184)</u>	<u>\$ (2,392,822)</u>
Net loss per share:		
Net loss per share, basic and diluted	<u><u>\$ (0.40)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (0.27)</u></u>
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding:		
Basic	<u>11,106,027</u>	<u>8,901,962</u>
Diluted	<u>11,106,027</u>	<u>8,901,962</u>

See accompanying notes to these unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

MARKER THERAPEUTICS, INC.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY
(UNAUDITED)

For the Three Months Ended March 31, 2025					
	Common Stock		Additional Paid-in Capital	Accumulated Deficit	Total Stockholders' Equity
	Shares	Par value			
Balance at December 31, 2024	10,709,005	\$ 10,708	\$ 465,564,876	\$ (447,017,178)	\$ 18,558,406
Issuance of common stock from exercise of prefunded warrants	505,830	505	—	—	505
Stock-based compensation	—	—	379,144	—	379,144
Net loss	—	—	—	(4,446,184)	(4,446,184)
Balance at March 31, 2025	11,214,835	\$ 11,213	\$ 465,944,020	\$ (451,463,362)	\$ 14,491,871

For the Three Months Ended March 31, 2024					
	Common Stock		Additional Paid-in Capital	Accumulated Deficit	Total Stockholders' Equity
	Shares	Par value			
Balance at December 31, 2023	8,891,420	\$ 8,891	\$ 450,329,515	\$ (436,285,863)	\$ 14,052,543
Issuance of common stock from exercise of stock options	19,497	19	49,077	—	49,096
Stock-based compensation	—	—	79,417	—	79,417
Net loss	—	—	—	(2,392,822)	(2,392,822)
Balance at March 31, 2024	8,910,917	\$ 8,910	\$ 450,458,009	\$ (438,678,685)	\$ 11,788,234

See accompanying notes to these unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

MARKER THERAPEUTICS, INC.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
(UNAUDITED)

	For the Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2025	2024
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:		
Net loss	\$ (4,446,184)	\$ (2,392,822)
Reconciliation of net loss to net cash used in operating activities:		
Stock-based compensation	379,144	79,417
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	(357,576)	71,117
Other receivables	(112,062)	(823,647)
Related party payable	(1,299,173)	(975,690)
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	336,114	204,507
Net cash used in operating activities	(5,499,737)	(3,837,118)
Cash Flows from Financing Activities:		
Proceeds from exercise of warrants and stock options	505	49,096
Net cash provided by financing activities	505	49,096
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(5,499,232)	(3,788,022)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period	19,192,440	15,111,450
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period	\$ 13,693,208	\$ 11,323,428

See accompanying notes to these unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

MARKER THERAPEUTICS, INC.
NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
March 31, 2025
(Unaudited)

NOTE 1: NATURE OF OPERATIONS

Marker Therapeutics, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the “Company” or “we”), is a clinical-stage immuno-oncology company specializing in the development and commercialization of novel T cell-based immunotherapies for the treatment of hematological malignancies and solid tumor indications. The Company’s multi antigen recognizing (“MAR”)-T cell technology is based on the selective expansion of non-engineered, tumor-specific T cells that recognize tumor associated antigens, which are tumor targets, and kill tumor cells expressing those targets. These T cells are designed to recognize multiple tumor targets to produce broad spectrum anti-tumor activity. The Company was incorporated in Nevada in 1992 and reincorporated in Delaware in October 2018.

Agreements with Cell Ready; Manufacturing

On June 26, 2023, the Company completed the previously announced transaction with Cell Ready, LLC (“Cell Ready”) pursuant to a Purchase Agreement (the “Cell Ready Purchase Agreement”), dated May 1, 2023, by and between the Company and Cell Ready. Mr. John Wilson was a member of the Company’s board of directors at the time of the Cell Ready Purchase Agreement and through December 31, 2024 and is serving as the CEO of Cell Ready, therefore Cell Ready is a related party. Mr. Wilson resigned as a director of the Company on January 24, 2025.

Following the closing of the Cell Ready Purchase Agreement, the Company no longer operates a cGMP manufacturing facility and instead relies on third parties for the clinical and, once approved, commercial manufacture of our product candidates. As such, on February 22, 2024, the Company entered into a Master Services Agreement for Product Supply (the “MSA”) with Cell Ready for the provision of various products and services by Cell Ready pursuant to work orders that may be entered into from time to time. Cell Ready is a contract development and manufacturing organization (CDMO).

On March 27, 2025, the Company mutually agreed with Cell Ready to terminate the MSA. In connection therewith, the Company entered into a settlement and release agreement with Cell Ready pursuant to which the Company paid Cell Ready approximately \$453,000 and the parties provided one another with mutual releases of all claims associated with any and all agreements between the Company and Cell Ready. This payment is included in loss on early termination of vendor agreement within the condensed consolidated statement of operations.

The Baylor College of Medicine (“BCM”) continues to supply the Company with products as the Company continues its clinical trials. Furthermore, in anticipation of the commencement of the Company’s larger pivotal trial for Lymphoma in 2026, as well as the eventual need for commercial scale production, the Company is evaluating and qualifying additional potential third-party manufacturing partners to provide potential multiple sources of clinical and commercial supply.

NOTE 2: BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“U.S. GAAP”) for interim financial information and pursuant to the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 8 of Regulation S-X of the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”) and on the same basis as the Company prepares its annual audited consolidated financial statements. In the opinion of management, the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements reflect all adjustments, consisting of normal recurring adjustments, considered necessary for a fair presentation of such interim results.

The results for the unaudited condensed consolidated statement of operations are not necessarily indicative of results to be expected for the year ending December 31, 2025, or for any future interim period. The condensed consolidated balance sheet at December 31, 2024 has been derived from audited financial statements, however, it does not include all of the information and notes required by U.S. GAAP for complete financial statements. The accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2024 and notes thereto included in the Company’s annual report on Form 10-K filed on March 31, 2025.

NOTE 3: LIQUIDITY AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

As of March 31, 2025, the Company had cash and cash equivalents of approximately \$13.7 million. The Company's activities since inception have consisted principally of acquiring product and technology rights, raising capital, and performing research and development. Successful completion of the Company's development programs and, ultimately, the attainment of profitable operations are dependent on future events, including, among other things, its ability to access potential markets; secure financing; successfully progress its product candidates through preclinical and clinical development; obtain regulatory approval of one or more of its product candidates; maintain and enforce intellectual property rights; develop a customer base; attract, retain and motivate qualified personnel; and develop strategic alliances and collaborations. From inception, the Company has been funded by a combination of equity and debt financings and grants.

In August 2021, the Company entered into a Controlled Equity OfferingSM Sales Agreement (the "ATM Agreement") with Cantor Fitzgerald & Co. and RBC Capital Markets, LLC (the "Sales Agents"), pursuant to which the Company could offer and sell, from time to time at its sole discretion through the Sales Agents, shares of its common stock having an aggregate offering price of up to \$75.0 million. Any shares of its common stock sold were issued pursuant to the Company's shelf registration statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-258687), which the SEC declared effective on August 19, 2021. However, our use of the shelf registration statement on Form S-3 is limited for so long as we were subject to General Instruction I.B.6 of Form S-3, which limits the amounts that we may sell under the registration statement and in accordance with the ATM agreement. The Sales Agents were entitled to compensation under the Sales Agreement at a commission rate equal to 3.0% of the gross sales price per share sold under the ATM Agreement, and we provided each of the Sales Agents with indemnification and contribution rights. There was no common stock issued under the ATM Agreement during the three months ended March 31, 2025 or 2024. On June 10, 2024, the Company provided notice of its termination of the ATM Agreement with Cantor Fitzgerald & Co. and RBC Capital Markets, LLC. The Company is not subject to any termination penalties related to the termination of the ATM Agreement.

In November 2024, the Company entered into an At The Market Offering Agreement, or the Sales Agreement, with H.C. Wainwright & Co. LLC, relating to the sale of shares of its common stock having an agreement offering price of up to \$11,431,713 from time to time through H.C. Wainwright & Co. LLC. Any shares of common stock sold will be issued pursuant to the Company's shelf registration statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-283512), which the SEC declared effective on December 6, 2024. However, the Company's use of the shelf registration statement on Form S-3 will be limited for so long as it is subject to General Instruction I.B.6 of Form S-3, which limits the amounts that the Company may sell under the registration statement and in accordance with the ATM agreement. H.C. Wainwright & Co. LLC will be entitled to compensation under the Sales Agreement at a commission rate equal to 3.0% of the gross sales price per share sold under the ATM Agreement, and the Company has provided H.C. Wainwright & Co. LLC with indemnification and contribution rights.

In August 2021, the Company received notice of a Product Development Research award totaling approximately \$13.1 million from the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas ("CPRIT") to support the Company's clinical investigation of MT-401 as an Off - the - Shelf (OTS) product in patients with Acute Myeloid Leukemia (AML) (the "CPRIT AML Grant"). Through the date of this filing, the Company has received \$11.0 million of funds from the CPRIT AML Grant. The Company recorded \$0.2 million and \$0.8 million of grant income related to the CPRIT AML Grant as revenue for the three months ended March 31, 2025 and 2024, respectively. As of March 31, 2025, the Company's grant income receivable balance for this grant was \$2.3 million, which represented grant income earned in advance of funds to be received from CPRIT. In April and May 2025, the Company received \$0.5 million and \$0.8 million, respectively, of funds from the CPRIT AML Grant.

In September 2022, the Company received notice from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (the "FDA") that it had awarded the Company a \$2.0 million grant from the FDA's Orphan Products Grant program to support the Company's clinical investigation of MT-401 for the treatment of post-transplant AML. Through the date of this filing, the Company has received \$1.0 million from the FDA grant. The Company recorded nil and \$0.3 million of grant income related to the FDA grant as revenue for the three months ended March 31, 2025 and 2024, respectively, and as of March 31, 2025, the Company had no grant income receivable balance for this grant.

In May 2023, the Company received notice of a \$2.0 million grant from the National Institutes of Health Small Business Innovation Research ("SBIR") program to support the development and investigation of MT-401 for the treatment of AML patients following standard-of-care therapy with hypomethylating agents (the "SBIR AML Grant"). Through the date of this filing, the Company has received \$1.3 million from SBIR. The Company recorded \$0.1 million and \$0.2 million of grant income related to the SBIR AML Grant

as revenue for the three months ended March 31, 2025 and 2024, respectively. As of March 31, 2025, the Company's grant income receivable balance for this grant was \$0.1 million, which represented grant income earned in advance of funds to be received from the SBIR.

The above funding agencies have agreed to continue their financial support and to shift funds to the MT-401-OTS program.

In June 2024, the Company received notice of a \$2.0 million grant over a 2 - year period from the National Institutes of Health - National Cancer Institute ("NIH") to support control over tumor immune escape in pancreatic cancer using a dual T cell product strategy (the "Decoy Grant"). Through the date of this filing, the Company has received approximately \$20,000 from NIH for this grant. The Company recorded approximately \$14,000 of grant income related to the Decoy Grant as revenue during the three months ended March 31, 2025, and as of March 31, 2025, the Company's grant income receivable balance for this grant was approximately \$14,000.

In August 2024, the Company received notice of a \$2.0 million grant from the SBIR program to support the clinical investigation of MT-601 in patients with non-Hodgkin's lymphoma (NHL) who have relapsed following anti-CD19 chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) T cell therapy. Through the date of this filing, the Company has received \$0.7 million of funds from this grant. The Company recorded no grant income related to this grant as revenue for the three months ended March 31, 2025, and as of March 31, 2025, the Company had no grant income receivable balance related to this grant.

In August 2024, the Company received another \$2.0 million grant from the National Institutes of Health SBIR program to support the advancement of MT-601 in patients with pancreatic cancer (the "PANACEA Grant"). Through the date of this filing, the Company has received approximately \$15,000 from NIH for this grant. The Company recorded approximately \$8,000 of grant income related to the PANACEA Grant as revenue during the three months ended March 31, 2025, and as of March 31, 2025, the Company's grant income receivable balance for this grant was approximately \$8,000.

In December 2024, the Company received notice of an additional \$9.5 million grant from CPRIT to support the clinical investigation of MT-601 in patients with metastatic pancreatic cancer (the "CPRIT Pancreatic Grant"). Through the date of this filing, the Company has received \$1.5 million of funds from this grant. The Company recorded \$13,000 of grant income related to this grant as revenue during the three months ended March 31, 2025, and as of March 31, 2025, the Company's grant income receivable balance for this grant was \$13,000. In April 2025, the Company received \$1.5 million of funds from the CPRIT Pancreatic Grant.

On December 19, 2024, the Company entered into a Securities Purchase Agreement (the "Purchase Agreement"), pursuant to which the Company issued and sold in a private Placement the following securities: (i) 1,783,805 shares of common stock, (ii) Series B Warrants, or Pre-Funded Warrants, to purchase an aggregate of 3,247,445 shares of common stock in lieu of shares of common stock and (iii) Series A Warrants, or Private Placement Warrants, to purchase an aggregate of 5,031,250 shares of common stock. The purchase price per share of common stock and accompanying Private Placement Warrant to purchase a share of common stock was \$3.20, and the purchase price per Pre-Funded Warrant and accompanying Private Placement Warrant to purchase a share of common stock was \$3.199. Net proceeds from the sale of securities in the Private Placement was approximately \$14.9 million, which does not include any proceeds that may be received upon exercise of any warrants issued in the Private Placement. Both the Pre-Funded Warrants and the Private Placement Warrants are not exercisable until the Company obtains shareholder approval. On March 21, 2025, the Company obtained shareholder approval for the exercise of such warrants. The transaction closed on December 23, 2024.

The Company expects to continue to incur substantial losses over the next several years during its development phase.

Based on the Company's lack of recurring revenues, anticipated uses of cash and historical recurring cash losses from operating activities, and cash and cash equivalents as of March 31, 2025, the Company anticipates that it will be able to fund its operating expenses and capital expenditure requirements into the first quarter of 2026, assuming no additional grant funds are received. These factors raise substantial doubt regarding the Company's ability to continue as a going concern.

Management is considering raising additional capital through the issuance of common shares and intends to apply for additional grant funds, which could enable the Company to fund its operating expenses and capital expenditure requirements beyond the first quarter of 2026, although no assurance can be given that such capital or existing awarded grants will be earned or future grants will be awarded. The Company's future cash requirements are based on the Company's clinical and research and development plans, timing expectations related to the progress of its programs, and is subject to the Company's ability to effectively manage its costs, raise additional capital, and receive additional grant funds.

The Company's assumptions may prove to be wrong, and the Company could utilize its available capital resources sooner than it currently expects. Furthermore, the Company's operating plan may change, and it may need additional funds sooner than planned in order to meet operational needs and capital requirements for product development and commercialization. Because of the numerous risks and uncertainties associated with the development and commercialization of the Company's product candidates and the extent to which the Company may enter into additional collaborations with third parties to participate in their development and commercialization, the Company is unable to estimate the amounts of increased capital outlays and operating expenditures associated with its current and anticipated clinical trials. The Company's future funding requirements will depend on many factors, as it:

- Initiates, continues, or accelerates clinical trials of its product candidates;
- continues the research and development of its product candidates and seeks to discover additional product candidates;
- seeks regulatory approvals for any product candidates that successfully complete clinical trials;
- maintains and enforces intellectual property rights;
- enters into contract manufacturing arrangements with contract manufacturing organizations for clinical manufacturing supply;
- establishes sales, marketing and distribution infrastructure and scale-up manufacturing capabilities to commercialize any product candidates that may receive regulatory approval;
- evaluates strategic transactions the Company may undertake; and
- enhances operational, financial and information management systems and hires additional personnel, including personnel to support development of product candidates and, if a product candidate is approved, commercialization efforts.

The Company's unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis, which implies that the Company will continue to realize its assets and discharge its liabilities in the normal course of business. The Company's financial statements do not include any adjustments to the recoverability and classification of recorded asset amounts and classification of liabilities that might be necessary should the Company be unable to continue as a going concern.

In addition to the foregoing, high inflation and concerns about an economic recession in the United States or other major markets have resulted in, among other things, volatility in the capital markets that may have the effect of reducing the Company's ability to access capital, which could in the future negatively affect the Company's liquidity. In addition, a recession or market correction due to these factors could materially affect the Company's business and the value of its common stock.

NOTE 4: SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

There have been no material changes in the Company's significant accounting policies to those previously disclosed in the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2024 filed on March 31, 2025.

Principles of Consolidation

These consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its wholly-owned subsidiaries, Marker Cell Therapy, Inc. and GeneMax Pharmaceuticals Inc. – a dormant subsidiary that wholly owns GeneMax Pharmaceuticals Canada, Inc. All significant intercompany balances and transactions are eliminated upon consolidation.

Use of Estimates

Preparation of the Company's consolidated financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect 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 expenses during the reporting period. Accordingly, actual results may differ materially from those estimates. Management considers many factors in selecting appropriate financial accounting policies, controls, and in

developing the estimates and assumptions that are used in the preparation of these financial statements. Management must apply significant judgment in this process. In addition, other factors may affect estimates, including expected business and operational changes, sensitivity and volatility associated with the assumptions used in developing estimates, and whether historical trends are expected to be representative of future trends. The estimation process often may yield a range of potentially reasonable estimates of the ultimate future outcomes, and management must select an amount that falls within that range of reasonable estimates. Estimates are used in the following areas, among others: stock-based compensation expense and income taxes.

Cash, Cash Equivalents and Credit Risk

The Company considers highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents. Cash and cash equivalents at March 31, 2025 consisted of cash and certificates of deposit in institutions in the United States. The Company maintains cash in accounts which are in excess of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") insured limits of \$250,000. As of March 31, 2025, the Company had approximately \$0.5 million in cash at financial institutions and approximately \$13.2 million in U.S. government agency securities, for aggregate cash and cash equivalents of \$13.7 million. As of December 31, 2024, the Company had approximately \$1.1 million in cash at financial institutions and approximately \$18.1 million in U.S. government agency securities, for aggregate cash and cash equivalents of \$19.2 million.

In the event cash is received from grants in advance of incurring qualifying costs, it is recorded as restricted cash until it is earned and recorded to grant income.

Modification of Stock Options

During the three months ended March 31, 2025, the Company recorded incremental stock-based compensation expense of \$0.3 million pertaining to the modification of stock options in connection with certain consultants, including individuals who were previously employed by Cell Ready, whose contracts have been extended. The modification provided for an acceleration of unvested options, resulting in \$0.3 million in compensation expense that was immediately recognized, and is reflected in operating expenses.

Segment Reporting

The Company adopted Accounting Standard Update ("ASU") 2023-07, Segment Reporting (Topic 280) - Improvements to Reportable Segment Disclosures, as of January 1, 2024. See the section Recently Adopted Accounting Standards below for more information.

Operating segments are defined as components of an entity for which separate discrete financial information is made available and that is regularly evaluated by the chief operating decision maker ("CODM") in making decisions regarding resource allocation and assessing performance. The Company is a clinical-stage immuno-oncology company specializing in the development and commercialization of novel T cell-based immunotherapies for the treatment of hematological malignancies and solid tumor indications. The Company's operations are organized and reported as a single reportable segment, which includes all activities related to the discovery, development, and commercialization of its products. The Company's CODM, its chief executive officer, reviews operating results on an aggregate basis and manages the operations as a single operating segment.

The accounting policies of the Company's single operating and reportable segment are the same as those described in the Company's summary of significant accounting policies as previously disclosed in the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2024 filed on March 31, 2025. The measure of segment assets is reported on the consolidated balance sheets as total assets. The CODM evaluates performance and allocates resources based on consolidated net income (loss) that also is reported on the consolidated statements of operations as net loss, and consolidated cash used in operations. The Company's significant expenses are consistent with the expenses presented on the consolidated statement of operations. The CODM makes operating decisions based on the availability of cash and the allocation of cash to the required expenditures. Expenses are not regularly provided to the CODM on a more disaggregated basis for purposes of assessing segment performance and deciding how to allocate resources.

Recently Adopted Accounting Standards

Improvements to Reportable Segment Disclosures

In November 2023, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (the “FASB”) issued Accounting Standards Update (“ASU”) No. 2023-07, Segment Reporting (Topic 280): Improvements to Reportable Segment Disclosures. The ASU requires disclosures to include significant segment expenses that are regularly provided to the chief operating decision maker, among other provisions. Effective January 1, 2024, the Company adopted the new standard on a retrospective basis for annual periods, and interim periods beginning the first quarter of 2025. The Company does not believe the impact of the new guidance and related codification improvements had a material impact to its financial position, results of operations and cash flows.

Recently Issued Accounting Standards Not Yet Adopted

From time to time, new accounting pronouncements are issued by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”) or other standard setting bodies that the Company adopts as of the specified effective date. Unless otherwise discussed, the Company does not believe that the impact of recently issued standards that are not yet effective will have a material impact on its consolidated financial position or results of operations upon adoption.

Improvements to Income Tax Disclosures

In December 2023, the FASB issued ASU No. 2023-09, Income Taxes (Topic 740): Improvements to Income Tax Disclosures (ASU 2023-09), which improves the transparency of income tax disclosures by requiring consistent categories and greater disaggregation of information in the effective tax rate reconciliation and income taxes paid disaggregated by jurisdiction. It also includes certain other amendments to improve the effectiveness of income tax disclosures. This guidance will be effective for the annual periods beginning the year ended December 31, 2025. Early adoption is permitted. Upon adoption the guidance can be applied prospectively or retrospectively. We do not expect the adoption of this guidance to have a material impact on its consolidated financial statements.

Income Statement – Reporting Comprehensive Income – Expense Disaggregation Disclosures

In November 2024, the FASB issued ASU No. 2024-03, Income Statement - Reporting Comprehensive Income - Expense Disaggregation Disclosures, to improve transparency in financial reporting by requiring entities to present more detailed information about the nature of expenses included within the Income Statement. The guidance will be effective for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2026, and interim reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2027. Early adoption is permitted. Upon adoption, the guidance can be applied prospectively or retrospectively. The Company is in the process of assessing the impact of ASU 2024-03 on its disclosures.

NOTE 5: NET LOSS PER SHARE

Basic loss per common share is computed by dividing net loss by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the reporting period. Diluted loss per common share is computed similarly to basic loss per common share except that it reflects the potential dilution that could occur if dilutive securities or other obligations to issue common stock were exercised or converted into common stock.

The following table sets forth the computation of net loss per share for the three months ended March 31, 2025 and 2024, respectively:

	For the Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2025	2024
Numerator:		
Net loss	\$ (4,446,184)	\$ (2,392,822)
Denominator:		
Weighted average common shares outstanding, basic	11,106,027	8,901,962
Weighted average common shares outstanding, diluted	11,106,027	8,901,962
Net loss per share:		
Net loss per share, basic	\$ (0.40)	\$ (0.27)

The following securities, rounded to the nearest thousand, were not included in the diluted net loss per share calculation because their effect was anti-dilutive for the periods presented:

	For the Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2025	2024
Common stock options	728,000	639,000
Common stock purchase warrants	5,031,250	—
Potentially dilutive securities	5,759,250	639,000

NOTE 6: OTHER RECEIVABLE

Qualifying grant income earned in advance of cash received from grants is recognized as revenue and recorded as other receivable. The Company recorded \$0.2 million and \$0.8 million of grant income related to the CPRIT AML Grant for the three months ended March 31, 2025 and 2024, respectively. As of March 31, 2025, the Company's grant income receivable balance for this grant was \$2.3 million. In April and May 2025, the Company received \$0.5 million and \$0.8 million of funds from the CPRIT AML Grant, respectively.

The Company recorded \$0.1 million and \$0.2 million of grant income related to the SBIR AML Grant as revenue for the three months ended March 31, 2025 and 2024, respectively. As of March 31, 2025, the Company's grant income receivable balance for this grant was \$0.1 million, which represented grant income earned in advance of funds to be received from the SBIR.

The Company recorded approximately \$14,000 of grant income related to the Decoy Grant as revenue during the three months ended March 31, 2025, and as of March 31, 2025, the Company's grant income receivable balance for this grant was approximately \$14,000.

The Company recorded approximately \$8,000 of grant income related to the PANACEA Grant as revenue during the three months ended March 31, 2025, and as of March 31, 2025, the Company's grant income receivable balance for this grant was \$8,000.

The Company recorded \$13,000 of grant income related to the CPRIT Pancreatic Grant as revenue during the three months ended March 31, 2025, and as of March 31, 2025, the Company's grant income receivable balance for this grant was \$13,000. In April 2025, the Company received \$1.5 million of funds from the CPRIT Pancreatic Grant.

NOTE 7: ACCOUNTS PAYABLE, ACCRUED LIABILITIES AND RELATED PARTY PAYABLE

Accounts payable, accrued liabilities, and related party payable consist of the following as of March 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively:

	March 31, 2025	December 31, 2024
Accounts payable	\$ 1,297,000	\$ 1,066,000
Compensation and benefits	44,000	86,000
Professional fees	403,000	293,000
Related party payable	411,000	1,711,000
Tax fees	142,000	104,000
Other	204,000	204,000
Total accounts payable and accrued liabilities	<u>\$ 2,501,000</u>	<u>\$ 3,464,000</u>

The \$0.4 million and \$1.7 million related-party payable as of March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024, respectively, reflect amounts for outsourced product development and manufacturing services. See Note 12: Related Party Transactions.

NOTE 8: STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY
Common Stock Transactions
Private Placement

On December 19, 2024, the Company entered into a Securities Purchase Agreement (the "Purchase Agreement"), pursuant to which the Company issued and sold in a private Placement the following securities: (i) 1,783,805 shares of common stock, (ii) Series B Warrants, or Pre-Funded Warrants, to purchase an aggregate of 3,247,445 shares of common stock in lieu of shares of common stock and (iii) Series A Warrants, or Private Placement Warrants, to purchase an aggregate of 5,031,250 shares of common stock. The transaction closed on December 23, 2024. The purchase price per share of common stock and accompanying Private Placement Warrant to purchase a share of common stock was \$3.20, and the purchase price per Pre-Funded Warrant and accompanying Private Placement Warrant to purchase a share of common stock was \$3.199. Net proceeds from the sale of securities in the Private Placement was approximately \$14.9 million, which does not include any proceeds that may be received upon the exercise of any warrants issued in the Private Placement. Both the Pre-Funded Warrants and the Private Placement Warrants were not exercisable until the Company obtained shareholder approval, which approval was received on March 21, 2025.

Exercise of Stock Options

During the three months ended March 31, 2024, certain outstanding options were exercised for 19,497 shares of common stock providing aggregate proceeds to the Company of approximately \$49,000.

Warrant Summary

The following table summarizes the total warrants outstanding at March 31, 2025:

	Issue Date	Exercise Price Per Share	Expiration Date	Outstanding as of December 31, 2024	New Issuance	Exercised	Outstanding as of March 31, 2025
Private placement warrants	December 2024	\$ 4.00	5 years from shareholder approval	5,031,250	—	—	5,031,250
Pre-funded warrants	December 2024	\$ 0.001	5 years from shareholder approval	3,247,445	—	(505,830)	2,741,615
				<u>8,278,695</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>(505,830)</u>	<u>7,772,865</u>

NOTE 9: STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION

Stock Options

2025 Equity Incentive Awards

On February 12, 2025, pursuant to the Company's 2020 Equity Incentive Plan, the compensation committee of the Company's board of directors approved 50,000 options to purchase the Company's common stock as equity-based incentive awards to the Company's Chief Executive Officer and President, Dr. Juan Vera, and 30,000 options to purchase the Company's common stock as equity-based incentive awards to each Non-Employee Director. Each option award was granted with an exercise price of \$1.59 per share, the closing price of the Company's common stock on the Nasdaq Capital Market on February 12, 2025, with the option award vesting in three annual installments, subject to such Optionee's continued service on the applicable vesting date.

A summary of the Company's stock option activity for the three months ended March 31, 2025 is as follows:

	Number of Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Total Intrinsic Value	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Life (in years)
Outstanding as of December 31, 2024	587,704	\$ 22.85	\$ 378,000	6.8
Granted	140,000	1.59	—	—
Outstanding as of March 31, 2025	727,704	\$ 18.76	\$ —	7.2
Options vested and exercisable	411,591	\$ 31.79	\$ —	6.0

The Black-Scholes option pricing model is used to estimate the fair value of stock options granted under the Company's share-based compensation plans. The weighted average assumptions used in calculating the fair values of stock options that were granted during the three months ended March 31, 2025 were as follows:

	For the Three Months Ended March 31, 2025
Exercise price	\$ 1.59
Expected term (years)	6.0
Expected stock price volatility	102 %
Risk-free rate of interest	4.47 %
Expected dividend rate	0 %

The following table sets forth stock-based compensation expenses recorded during the respective periods:

	For the Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2025	2024
Stock Compensation expenses:		
Research and development	\$ 305,000	\$ 6,000
General and administrative	74,000	73,000
Total stock compensation expenses	\$ 379,000	\$ 79,000

During the three months ended March 31, 2025, the Company recorded incremental stock-based compensation expense of \$0.3 million pertaining to the modification of stock options in connection with certain consultants, including individuals who were previously employed by Cell Ready, whose contracts have been extended. The modification provided for an acceleration of unvested options, resulting in \$0.3 million in compensation expense that was immediately recognized, and is reflected in operating expenses.

As of March 31, 2025, the total stock-based compensation cost related to unvested awards not yet recognized was \$0.3 million. The expected weighted average period compensation costs to be recognized was approximately 2.5 years. Future option grants will impact the compensation expense recognized.

NOTE 10: GRANT INCOME

There was no restricted cash recorded as of March 31, 2025 or December 31, 2024. If qualifying grant income is earned in advance of cash received from grants, it is recognized as revenue and recorded as other receivable.

CPRIT

In August 2021, the Company received notice of a Product Development Research award totaling approximately \$13.1 million from CPRIT to support the Company's clinical investigation of MT-401 in patients with AML.

The Company recorded \$0.2 million and \$0.8 million of grant income related to the CPRIT AML Grant as revenue for the three months ended March 31, 2025, and 2024, respectively. As of March 31, 2025, the Company's grant income receivable balance for this grant was \$2.3 million, which represented grant income earned in advance of funds to be received from CPRIT. In April and May 2025, the Company received \$0.5 million and \$0.8 million of funds from the CPRIT AML Grant, respectively.

In December 2024, the Company received notice of an additional \$9.5 million grant from CPRIT to support the clinical investigation of MT-601 in patients with metastatic pancreatic cancer. The Company recorded \$13,000 of grant income related to the CPRIT Pancreatic Grant as revenue for the three months ended March 31, 2025. As of March 31, 2025, the Company's grant income receivable balance for this grant was \$13,000, which represented grant income earned in advance of funds to be received from CPRIT. In April 2025, the Company received \$1.5 million of funds from the CPRIT Pancreatic Grant.

Both CPRIT grants are subject to certain revenue-sharing arrangements, as per the grant agreements (see Note 11).

FDA

In September 2022, the Company received notice from the FDA that it had awarded the Company a \$2.0 million grant from the FDA's Orphan Products Grant program to support the Company's clinical investigation of MT-401 for the treatment of post-transplant AML. The Company recorded nil and \$0.3 million of grant income related to the FDA grant as revenue for the three months ended March 31, 2025 and March 31, 2024, respectively. As of March 31, 2025, the Company had no grant income receivable balance for this grant.

SBIR

In May 2023, the Company announced it had received a \$2.0 million grant from the National Institutes of Health Small Business Innovation Research program to support the development and investigation of MT-401 for the treatment of AML patients following standard-of-care therapy with hypomethylating agents. The Company recorded \$0.1 million and \$0.2 million of grant income related to the SBIR AML Grant as revenue for the three months ended March 31, 2025 and 2024, respectively. As of March 31, 2025, the Company's grant income receivable balance for this grant was \$0.1 million, which represented grant income earned in advance of funds to be received from the SBIR.

In August 2024, the Company received notice of a \$2.0 million grant from the National Institutes of Health Small Business Innovation Research Program to support the clinical investigation of MT-601 in patients with non-Hodgkin's lymphoma (NHL) who have relapsed following anti-CD19 chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) T cell therapy. The Company recorded no grant income related to this grant as revenue for the three months ended March 31, 2025, and as of March 31, 2025, the Company had no grant income receivable balance for this grant.

In August 2024, the Company received notice of another \$2.0 million grant from the National Institutes of Health Small Business Innovation Research Program to support the clinical investigation of MT-601 in patients with pancreatic cancer. The Company recorded approximately \$8,000 of grant income for the three months ended March 31, 2025 and had the same balance in other receivables as of March 31, 2025.

NIH – National Cancer Institute

In June 2024, the Company received notice of a \$2.0 million grant over a 2-year period from the National Institutes of Health - National Cancer Institute to support control over tumor immune escape in pancreatic cancer using a dual T cell product strategy. The

Company recorded approximately \$14,000 of grant income for the three months ended March 31, 2025 and recorded the same amount in other receivables as of March 31, 2025.

NOTE 11: COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas

In August 2021, the Company received notice of a Product Development Research award totaling approximately \$13.1 million from CPRIT to support the Company's clinical investigation of MT-401 in patients with AML. In December 2024, the Company received notice of an additional \$9.5 million grant from CPRIT to support the clinical investigation of MT-601 in patients with pancreatic cancer. Both CPRIT grants contain identical terms surrounding intellectual property and revenue sharing.

Per the CPRIT grant agreements, the Company will retain ownership over any intellectual property developed under the contracts (the "Project Results"). With respect to non-commercial use of any Project Results, the Company agreed to grant to CPRIT a nonexclusive, irrevocable, royalty-free, perpetual, worldwide license with the right to sublicense any necessary additional intellectual property rights to exploit all Project Results by CPRIT, other governmental entities and agencies of the State of Texas, and private or independent institutions of higher education located in Texas, solely for academic, research, and other non-commercial purposes.

If the Company's products become commercially saleable, the Company is obligated to make payments to CPRIT, with respect to net sales of any product covered in the contract, equal to a percentage of revenue ranging from the low-to-mid single digits. These payments will continue up to and until CPRIT receives an aggregate amount of 400% of the sum of all monies paid to the Company by CPRIT under the grant agreements. If the Company is required to obtain a license from a third party to sell any such product, the revenue sharing percentages may be reduced. In addition, once the Company has paid CPRIT 400% of the monies received under the grant agreements, the Company will continue to pay CPRIT a revenue-sharing percentage of 0.5% for the remainder of the Revenue Term as specified in the grant agreement.

License Agreement with the Baylor College of Medicine

In March 2018, the Company entered into an exclusive license agreement with BCM under which the Company acquired a worldwide, exclusive license to BCM's rights in and to certain intellectual property rights, including a European patent to develop and commercialize MAR-T cell product candidates (the "BCM License Agreement"). In exchange for the license, the Company issued shares of its common stock to BCM valued at approximately \$5.0 million at the time of issuance, agreed to make royalty payments to BCM upon commercial sales according to the royalty schedule in the BCM License Agreement, under which the royalty percentages increase in proportion to the aggregate net sales, and agreed to pay BCM certain milestone payments up to an aggregate of \$64.85 million. The milestone payments are based upon the occurrence of nine particular milestones relating to completion of the first dosing in clinical trials for a first and second distinct product, FDA approval, and achievement of certain net sales goals. The Company is also responsible for sublicensing fees and for reimbursing BCM for related-party expenses. In addition, upon a liquidity event (as defined in the BCM License Agreement) of the Company, BCM will receive a one-time liquidity incentive payment of 0.5% of the liquidity event proceeds (as defined in the BCM License Agreement).

Legal Proceedings

From time to time, we may become involved in legal proceedings, including those arising in the ordinary course of our business. We are not currently a party to any material legal proceedings that we believe could have an adverse effect on our business, operating results or financial condition.

NOTE 12: RELATED PARTY EXPENSES

The following table sets forth related party transaction expenses recorded for the three months ended March 31, 2025 and 2024, respectively.

	For the Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2025	2024
Baylor College of Medicine	\$ 620,000	\$ —
Cell Ready	1,016,000	1,186,000
Wilson Wolf Manufacturing Corporation	29,000	—
Total related party expenses	<u>\$ 1,665,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,186,000</u>

\$0.4 million of related party transactions are included in accounts payable and accrued liabilities as of March 31, 2025. See Note 7 for additional information.

Agreements with The Baylor College of Medicine (“BCM”)

In November 2018, January 2020 and February 2020, the Company entered in Sponsored Research Agreements with BCM, which provided for the conduct of research for the Company by credentialed personnel at BCM’s Center for Cell and Gene Therapy.

In September 2019, May 2020 and July 2021, the Company entered into Clinical Supply Agreements with BCM, which provided for BCM to provide to the Company multi tumor antigen specific products.

In October 2019, the Company entered in a Workforce Grant Agreement with BCM, which provided for BCM to provide to the Company manpower costs of projects for manufacturing, quality control testing and validation run activities.

In August 2020, the Company entered into a Clinical Trial Agreement with BCM, which provided for BCM to provide to the Company investigator-initiated research studies.

The Company has also entered into a Clinical Site Agreement with BCM, which provided for BCM to conduct clinical trials for the Company and is a part of continuing operations.

BCM is also a shareholder of the Company’s common stock.

During the three months ended March 31, 2025, the Company incurred \$0.6 million in expenses related to services and manufacturing costs and paid BCM approximately \$40,000 for invoices received.

Purchases from Wilson Wolf

In 2024, the Company utilized Wilson Wolf for the purchases of cell culture devices. Mr. John Wilson is a former director and current shareholder and is serving as the CEO of Wilson Wolf Manufacturing Corporation.

During the three months ended March 31, 2025, the Company incurred approximately \$29,000 in expenses related to cell culture devices and paid Wilson Wolf approximately \$29,000 for invoices received.

Purchases from Cell Ready, LLC

The Company has utilized Cell Ready, LLC for clinical manufacturing supply and product development. On February 22, 2024, the Company entered into a 3-year Master Services Agreement for Product Supply (the “MSA”) with Cell Ready. Cell Ready, which is owned by a former director and current shareholder, Mr. John Wilson, is a contract development and manufacturing organization (CDMO). During the three months ended March 31, 2025, the Company incurred \$0.6 million in expenses related to services and manufacturing costs and paid \$2.6 million for invoices received.

On March 27, 2025, the Company mutually agreed with Cell Ready to terminate the MSA. In connection therewith, the Company entered into a settlement and release agreement with Cell Ready pursuant to which the Company paid Cell Ready approximately \$453,000 and the parties provided one another with mutual releases of all claims associated with any and all agreements between the Company and Cell Ready.

NOTE 13: SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Company has evaluated subsequent events and transactions that occurred up to the date these unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements were issued. Based upon this review, the Company did not identify any subsequent events that would have required adjustment to or disclosure in the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

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

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 21E of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, that involve risks and uncertainties. All statements other than statements relating to historical matters including statements to the effect that we “believe”, “expect”, “anticipate”, “plan”, “target”, “intend” and similar expressions should be considered forward-looking statements. Our actual results could differ materially from those discussed in the forward-looking statements as a result of a number of important factors, including factors discussed in this section and elsewhere in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, and the risks discussed in our other filings with the SEC. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which reflect management's analysis, judgment, belief, or expectation only as the date hereof. We assume no obligation to update these forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstance that arise after the date hereof.

As used in this quarterly report: (i) the terms “we”, “us”, “our”, “Marker” and the “Company” mean Marker Therapeutics, Inc. and its wholly owned subsidiaries, Marker Cell Therapy, Inc. and GeneMax Pharmaceuticals Inc. which wholly owns GeneMax Pharmaceuticals Canada Inc., unless the context otherwise requires; (ii) “SEC” refers to the Securities and Exchange Commission; (iii) “Securities Act” refers to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended; (iv) “Exchange Act” refers to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; and (v) all dollar amounts refer to United States dollars unless otherwise indicated.

The following should be read in conjunction with our unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements and related notes included in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

Company Overview

We are a clinical-stage immuno-oncology company specializing in the development and commercialization of novel T cell-based immunotherapies for the treatment of hematological malignancies and solid tumor indications. Harnessing millions of years of immunologic evolution, Marker's multi antigen recognizing (“MAR”)-T cell technology is designed to recognize and kill highly heterogeneous tumors without the need for genetic modifications. This approach selectively expands natural tumor-specific T cells from a patient's/donor's blood that are capable of recognizing a broad range of tumor associated antigens, or TAAs. Unlike other T cell therapies, MAR-T cells are able to recognize hundreds of different epitopes within up to six tumor-specific antigens to produce broad spectrum anti-tumor activity. Targeting multiple antigens simultaneously exploits the natural capacity of T cells to recognize and kill tumor targets via native T cell receptors (“TCR”), while limiting tumor adaptation/escape by antigen-negative selection or antigen down-regulation. When infused into a patient with cancer, the MAR-T cells are designed to kill cancer cells expressing the TAA and potentially recruit the patient's immune system to participate in the cancer killing process.

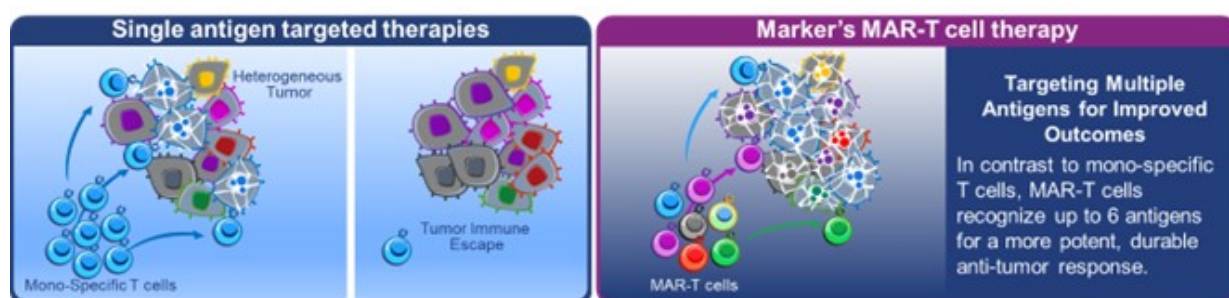
We licensed the underlying technology for MAR-T cell therapy from Baylor College of Medicine, or BCM, in March 2018. BCM had utilized the therapy in seven exploratory clinical trials. In these studies, BCM treated over 150 patients suffering from a variety of cancers including lymphoma, multiple myeloma, acute myeloid leukemia, or AML, acute lymphoblastic leukemia, or ALL, pancreatic cancer, breast cancer and various sarcomas. In those studies, BCM saw evidence of clinical benefit, expansion of infused cells, and decreased toxicity compared to other cellular therapies.

We are advancing two product candidates for 3 clinical indications as part of our MAR-T cell program for:

- Autologous MAR-T cell product for the treatment of lymphoma and pancreatic cancer (MT-601)
- Off-the-Shelf (OTS) product in various indications (e.g., MT-401-OTS)

We do not genetically engineer our MAR-T cell therapies and we believe that our product candidates are superior to T cells engineered with chimeric antigen receptors, or CAR-T, for several reasons including:

- Multiple targets → enhanced tumoricidal effect → minimized tumor immune escape
- Clinical safety → no treatment-related side effects, including immune effector cell-associated neurotoxicity syndrome (ICANS) or other severe adverse effects (SAEs), were attributed to the use of MAR-T cell therapies to date
- Non-genetically engineered T cell products → selective expansion of tumor-specific T cells from a patient's or donor's blood capable of recognizing a broad range of tumor antigens → no risk of mutagenesis and reduced manufacturing complexity → lower cost



For these reasons, we believe our endogenous T cell receptor-based therapies may provide meaningful clinical benefit and safety to patients with both hematological and solid tumors.

We believe that the simplicity of our manufacturing process allows additional modifications to expand MAR-T cell recognition of cancer targets. For example, we are assessing the potential of combining MAR-T cell products with other products.

On December 19, 2024, we issued a press release providing an update on the progress and clinical observations from the Phase 1 APOLLO study, with a data cutoff date of September 10, 2024. Our Phase 1 APOLLO study is investigating MT-601, a MAR-T cell product, in patients with lymphoma who have relapsed after anti-CD19 chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) T cell therapy or where anti-CD19 CAR-T cells are not an option. In this update, clinical data was available for 9 patients from 5 clinical sites across the United States. Study participants showed early objective responses with and without lymphodepletion. However, immunomonitoring data confirmed that lymphodepletion enhanced the expansion and persistence of MAR-T cell clones in vivo.

Key findings from the APOLLO study include:

- **Safety** – Infusion of MT-601 was well tolerated in all study participants, with no observation of immune-effector cell associated neurotoxicity syndrome (ICANS) and one reported Grade 1 cytokine release syndrome (CRS). No dose limiting toxicities (DLTs) have been reported to date.
- **Efficacy** – In the first dose cohort, 7 out of 9 patients achieved objective responses (78%) at first response assessment, with 4 patients demonstrating complete response (CR; 44.4%).
- **Time in Follow-Up** – Long-term follow-up of 6 to 12 months is currently available for three patients. Ongoing follow-up visits are being conducted to assess the durability of responses. All study participants are monitored closely to ensure comprehensive data collection and patient safety.

Pipeline

Our clinical-stage pipeline is set forth below:

HEMATOLOGIC MALIGNANCIES



SOLID TUMORS



Manufacturing

Our manufacturing process was originally developed at Baylor College of Medicine, where we initially conducted our clinical trials. We continue to contract and collaborate with BCM and others to perform a wide variety of services to ensure the continuation of our research and development efforts, with the goal of optimizing our manufacturing process, product quality and commercial scalability.

In July 2021, we opened an in-house cGMP manufacturing facility in Houston, Texas, where we manufactured the clinical supply of our product candidates. Subsequently, on June 26, 2023, we completed a transaction with Cell Ready, LLC, or Cell Ready, pursuant to a Purchase Agreement, or the Cell Ready Purchase Agreement, dated May 1, 2023, by and between us and Cell Ready, pursuant to which we (i) assigned to Cell Ready the leases for our two manufacturing facilities in Houston, Texas, or the Manufacturing Facilities, (ii) sold to Cell Ready all of the equipment and leasehold improvements at the Manufacturing Facilities and (iii) assigned to Cell Ready our rights, title and interest in any contracts related to the equipment and Manufacturing Facilities (collectively referred to as the “Purchased Assets”). Following the closing of the Cell Ready Purchase Agreement, we no longer operate our own cGMP manufacturing facility and instead rely on third parties for the clinical and, once approved, commercial manufacture of our product candidates.

As such, on February 22, 2024, we entered into a Master Services Agreement for Product Supply (the “MSA”) with Cell Ready for the provision of various products and services by Cell Ready pursuant to work orders that may be entered into from time to time. Cell Ready, which is owned by one of our former directors and current shareholders, Mr. John Wilson, is a contract development and manufacturing organization (CDMO). The MSA contains customary representations, warranties and indemnification provision. The initial term of the MSA was three years. On March 27, 2025, we mutually agreed with Cell Ready to terminate the MSA. In connection therewith, we and Cell Ready entered into a settlement and release agreement pursuant to which we paid Cell Ready approximately \$453,000 and we and Cell Ready provided one another mutual releases of all claims associated with any and all agreements between Marker and Cell Ready.

BCM continues to supply us with products, as we continue our clinical trials. Furthermore, in anticipation of the commencement of our larger pivotal trial for Lymphoma in 2026, as well as the eventual need for commercial scale production, we are evaluating and qualifying additional potential third-party manufacturing partners to provide potential multiple sources of clinical and commercial supply. We are in discussions with a number of CDMO candidates and anticipate that we will select a partner organization and commence the qualification and technology transfer process later this year.

However, there is no guarantee that we will or have properly estimated our required manufacturing capacities or that the third parties on which we rely to manufacture our products will be able or willing to perform on our proposed timelines or to meet our manufacturing demands, if at all. If any of our third-party vendors experience disruptions, or otherwise cease or substantially reduce the amount of products they are willing to supply us, our business and operations could be adversely affected.

During the three months ended March 31, 2025 and 2024, we incurred \$0.6 million and \$1.2 million in expenses related to the Cell Ready services and manufacturing costs, respectively. During the three months ended March 31, 2025 we paid \$2.6 million related to Cell Ready invoices received. During the three months ended March 31, 2025 we incurred \$0.6 million in expenses related to BCM services and manufacturing costs. No BCM expenses were incurred during the three months ended March 31, 2024. During the three months ended March 31, 2025, we paid approximately \$40,000 related to BCM invoices received.

Recent Developments

On December 19, 2024, the Company entered into a Securities Purchase Agreement (the “Purchase Agreement”), pursuant to which the Company issued and sold in a private Placement the following securities: (i) 1,783,805 shares of common stock, (ii) Series B Warrants, or Pre-Funded Warrants, to purchase an aggregate of 3,247,445 shares of common stock in lieu of shares of common stock and (iii) Series A Warrants, or Private Placement Warrants, to purchase an aggregate of 5,031,250 shares of common stock. The transaction closed on December 23, 2024. The purchase price per share of common stock and accompanying Private Placement Warrant to purchase a share of common stock was \$3.20, and the purchase price per Pre-Funded Warrant and accompanying Private Placement Warrant to purchase a share of common stock was \$3.199. Total gross proceeds from the sale of securities in the Private Placement, before deducting commissions to the placement agent and estimated offering expenses, was approximately \$16.1 million, which does not include any proceeds that may be received upon exercise of any warrants issued in the Private Placement. Both the Pre-Funded Warrants and the Private Placement Warrants were not exercisable until the Company obtained shareholder approval.

On March 21, 2025, the Company held a Special Meeting of Stockholders (the “Special Meeting”) at which the stockholders approved, in accordance with Nasdaq Listing Rule 5635(d), of the issuance of the shares issuable upon exercise of (i) Series A Warrants to acquire 5,031,250 shares of Common Stock and (ii) Series B Warrants to acquire 3,247,445 shares of Common Stock.

Results of Operations

In this discussion of our results of operations and financial condition, amounts in financial tables, other than per-share amounts, have been rounded to the nearest thousand.

Comparison of the Three months Ended March 31, 2025 and 2024

The following table summarizes the results of our continuing operations for the three months ended March 31, 2025 and 2024:

	For the Three Months Ended March 31,		Change	
	2025	2024		
Revenues:				
Grant income	\$ 349,000	\$ 1,244,000	\$ (895,000)	(72)%
Total revenues	349,000	1,244,000	(895,000)	(72)%
Operating expenses:				
Research and development	3,135,000	2,575,000	560,000	22 %
General and administrative	1,369,000	1,218,000	151,000	12 %
Loss on early termination of vendor agreement	453,000	—	453,000	nm
Total operating expenses	4,957,000	3,793,000	1,164,000	31 %
Loss from operations	(4,608,000)	(2,549,000)	(2,059,000)	81 %
Other income (expenses):				
Interest income	162,000	156,000	6,000	4 %
Loss from continuing operations	\$ (4,446,000)	(2,393,000)	\$ (2,053,000)	86 %

Revenue

We did not generate any revenue during the three months ended March 31, 2025 and 2024, respectively, from the sales or licensing of our product candidates.

In August 2021, we received notice of a Product Development Research award totaling approximately \$13.1 million from the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas (“CPRIT”) to support the clinical investigation of MT-401 as an Off-the-Shelf (OTS) product in patients with Acute Myeloid Leukemia (AML) (the “CPRIT AML Grant”). During the three months ended March 31, 2025 and 2024, we recognized \$0.2 million and \$0.8 million of revenue, respectively, associated with the CPRIT AML Grant.

In September 2022, we received notice from the FDA that it had awarded us a \$2.0 million grant from the FDA’s Orphan Products Grant program to support the clinical investigation of MT-401 for the treatment of post-transplant AML. During the three months ended March 31, 2025 and 2024, we recognized nil and \$0.3 million of revenue, respectively associated with the FDA grant.

In May 2023, we received notice of a \$2.0 million grant from the National Institutes of Health Small Business Innovation Research (“SBIR”) program to support the development and investigation of MT-401 for the treatment of AML patients following standard-of-care therapy with hypomethylating agents (the “SBIR AML Grant”). During the three months ended March 31, 2025 and 2024, we recognized \$0.1 million and \$0.2 million of revenue associated with the SBIR AML Grant.

The above funding agencies have agreed to continue their financial support and to shift funds to the MT-401-OTS program.

In June 2024, the Company received notice of a \$2.0 million grant over a 2-year period from the National Institutes of Health – National Cancer Institute to support control over tumor immune escape in pancreatic cancer using a dual T cell product strategy (the “Decoy Grant”). During the three months ended March 31, 2025, we recognized approximately \$14,000 of revenue associated with the Decoy Grant.

In August 2024, the Company received notice of an additional \$2.0 million grant from the SBIR program to support the clinical investigation of MT-601 in patients with non-Hodgkin’s lymphoma (NHL) who have relapsed following anti-CD19 chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) T cell therapy. The Company recorded no grant income related to this grant as revenue for the three months ended March 31, 2025.

In August 2024, the Company received another \$2.0 million grant from the National Institutes of Health SBIR Program to support the advancement of MT-601 in patients with pancreatic cancer (the “PANACEA Grant”). During the three months ended March 31, 2025, we recognized approximately \$8,000 of revenue associated with the PANACEA Grant.

In December 2024, the Company received notice of an additional \$9.5 million grant from CPRIT to support the clinical investigation of MT-601 in patients with metastatic pancreatic cancer (the “CPRIT Pancreatic Grant”). The Company recorded \$13,000 of grant income related to this grant for the three months ended March 31, 2025. The CPRIT Pancreatic Grant and the CPRIT AML Grant are subject to certain revenue-sharing arrangements, see Note 11 to the accompanying financial statements for further information.

Operating Expenses

Operating expenses incurred during the three months ended March 31, 2025 were \$5.0 million compared to \$3.8 million during the same period ended March 31, 2024.

Significant changes and expenditures in operating expenses are outlined as follows:

Research and Development Expenses

Research and development expenses increased by 22% to \$3.1 million for the three months ended March 31, 2025, compared to \$2.6 million for the three months ended March 31, 2024.

The increase of \$0.5 million in 2025 was primarily attributable to the following:

- increase of \$0.8 million in clinical trial expense,
- increase of \$0.2 million in process development expenses,
- increase of \$0.1 million in headcount-related expenses, offset by
- decrease of \$0.6 million in Cell Ready (outsourced) clinical manufacturing costs .

General and Administrative Expenses

General and administrative expenses increased by 12% to \$1.4 million for the three months ended March 31, 2025, compared to \$1.2 million during the same period ended March 31, 2024.

The increase of \$0.2 million in 2025 was primarily attributable legal and professional fees.

Loss on Early Termination of Vendor Agreement

During the three months ended March 31, 2025, we mutually agreed with Cell Ready to terminate the MSA. In connection therewith, we entered into a settlement and release agreement with Cell Ready pursuant to which we paid Cell Ready approximately \$453,000 and the parties provided one another with mutual releases of all claims associated with any and all agreements between us and Cell Ready.

Other Income (Expense)

Interest Income

Interest income was \$0.2 million and \$0.2 million for the three months ended March 31, 2025 and 2024, respectively, and was attributable to interest income relating to funds that are held in U.S. Treasury notes and U.S. government agency-backed securities.

Net Loss

The increase in our net loss during the three months ended March 31, 2025 compared to the three months ended March 31, 2024 was primarily due to cost increases in our research and development activities, cost increases in our general and administrative expenses, and the loss on termination of the Cell Ready MSA. We anticipate that we will continue to incur net losses in the future as we continue to invest in research and development activities, including clinical development of our MAR-T cell product candidates.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

We have not generated any revenues from the sales or licensing of our product candidates since inception and only have limited revenue associated with grants to fund research. We have financed our operations primarily through public and private offerings of our stock and debt including warrants and the exercise thereof, as well as grants.

Based on our lack of recurring revenues, anticipated uses of cash and historical recurring cash losses from operating activities, and cash and cash equivalents as of March 31, 2025, we anticipate that we will be able to fund our operating expenses and capital expenditure requirements into the first quarter of 2026, assuming no additional grant funds are received. We are considering raising additional capital through the issuance of common shares and intend to apply for additional grant funds, which could enable us to fund our operating expenses and capital expenditure requirements beyond the first quarter of 2026, although no assurance can be given that such capital or existing awarded grants will be earned or future grants will be awarded. This estimate is subject to our ability to effectively manage our costs, raise additional capital, and receive additional grant funds.

Cash and Working Capital

The following table sets forth our cash and cash equivalents and working capital as of March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024:

	March 31, 2025	December 31, 2024
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 13,693,000	\$ 19,192,000
Working capital	\$ 14,492,000	\$ 18,558,000

Cash Flows

The following table summarizes our cash flows for the three months ended March 31, 2025 and 2024:

	For the Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2025	2024
Net cash provided by (used in):		
Operating activities	\$ (5,500,000)	\$ (3,837,000)
Investing activities	—	—
Financing activities	1,000	49,000
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	\$ (5,499,000)	\$ (3,788,000)

Operating Activities

Net cash used in operating activities during the three months ended March 31, 2025 was \$5.5 million. The use of cash primarily related to our net loss of \$4.4 million, offset by \$0.4 million of non-cash stock-based compensation, and a \$1.5 million decrease from changes in assets and liabilities.

Net cash used in operating activities during the three months ended March 31, 2024 was \$3.8 million. The use of cash primarily related to our net loss from continuing operations of \$2.4 million offset by \$0.1 million of non-cash stock-based compensation, and a \$1.5 million decrease from changes in assets and liabilities.

Financing Activities

Net cash provided by financing activities was \$505 and \$0.1 million during the three months ended March 31, 2025 and March 31, 2024, respectively, due to the net proceeds from the exercise of warrants and stock options, respectively.

Future Capital Requirements

To date, we have not generated any revenues from the commercial sale of approved drug products, and we do not expect to generate substantial revenue for at least the next several years. If we fail to complete the development of our product candidates in a timely manner or fail to obtain their regulatory approval, our ability to generate future revenue will be compromised. We do not know when, or if, we will generate any revenue from our product candidates, and we do not expect to generate significant revenue unless and until we obtain regulatory approval of, and commercialize, our product candidates. We expect our expenses to increase in connection with our ongoing activities, particularly as we continue the research and development of, continue or initiate clinical trials of and seek marketing approval for our product candidates. In addition, if we obtain approval for any of our product candidates, we expect to incur significant commercialization expenses related to sales, marketing, manufacturing and distribution. We anticipate that we will need substantial additional funding in connection with our continuing operations. If we are unable to raise capital when needed or on attractive terms, we could be forced to delay, reduce or eliminate our research and development programs or future commercialization efforts.

In August 2021, the Company received notice of a Product Development Research award totaling approximately \$13.1 million from the CPRIT to support the Company's clinical investigation of MT-401 in patients with AML. Through the date of this filing, the Company has received \$11.0 million of funds from the CPRIT AML Grant. The Company recorded \$0.2 million of grant income related to the CPRIT grant as revenue during the three months ended March 31, 2025 and as of March 31, 2025, the Company had a grant income

receivable balance of \$2.3 million for this grant. In April and May 2025, the Company received \$0.5 million and \$0.8 million, respectively, of funds from the CPRIT AML Grant.

On September 13, 2022, the Company received notice from the FDA that it had awarded the Company a \$2.0 million grant from the FDA's Orphan Products Grant program to support the clinical investigation of MT-401 for the treatment of post-transplant AML. Through the date of this filing, the Company has received \$1.0 million from the FDA grant. The Company recorded no grant income related to the FDA grant as revenue during the three months ended March 31, 2025 and as of March 31, 2025, the Company had no grant income receivable balance for this grant.

In May 2023, the Company announced that it had received a \$2.0 million grant from the National Institutes of Health Small Business Innovation Research ("SBIR") program to support the development and investigation of MT-401 for the treatment of AML patients following standard-of-care therapy with hypomethylating agents. Through the date of this filing, the Company has received \$1.3 million from the SBIR AML Grant. The Company recorded \$0.1 million of grant income from the SBIR AML Grant as revenue during the three months ended March 31, 2025 and as of March 31, 2025, the Company had a grant income receivable balance of \$0.1 million for this grant.

The above funding agencies have agreed to continue their financial support and to shift funds to the MT-401-OTS program.

In June 2024, the Company received notice of a \$2.0 million grant over a 2-year period from the National Institutes of Health - National Cancer Institute ("NIH") to support control over tumor immune escape in pancreatic cancer using a dual T cell product strategy. Through the date of this filing, the Company has received approximately \$20,000 from the NIH for the Decoy Grant. The Company recorded approximately \$14,000 of grant income related to the NIH grant as revenue during the three months ended March 31, 2025 and as of March 31, 2025, the Company had a grant income receivable balance of \$14,000 for this grant.

In August 2024, the Company received notice of a \$2.0 million grant from the SBIR program to support the clinical investigation of MT-601 in patients with non-Hodgkin's lymphoma (NHL) who have relapsed following anti-CD19 chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) T cell therapy. Through the date of this filing, the Company has received \$0.7 million of funds from this grant. The Company recorded no grant income related to this grant as revenue for the three months ended March 31, 2025 and as of March 31, 2025, the Company had no grant income receivable balance for this grant.

In August 2024, the Company received another \$2.0 million grant from the National Institutes of Health SBIR Program to support the advancement of MT-601 in patients with pancreatic cancer. Through the date of this filing, the Company has received approximately \$15,000 of funds from the PANACEA Grant. The Company recorded approximately \$8,000 of grant income related to this grant as revenue for the three months ended March 31, 2025 and as of March 31, 2025, the Company had a grant income receivable balance of \$8,000 for this grant.

In December 2024, the Company received notice an additional \$9.5 million grant from CPRIT to support the clinical investigation of MT-601 in patients with metastatic pancreatic cancer. As of the date of this filing, the Company has received \$1.5 million of funds related to this grant. The Company recorded approximately \$13,000 of grant income related to this grant as revenue for the three months ended March 31, 2025 and as of March 31, 2025, the Company had a grant income receivable balance of \$13,000 for this grant. In April 2025, the Company received \$1.5 million of funds from the CPRIT Pancreatic Grant. The CPRIT Pancreatic Grant and the CPRIT AML Grant are subject to certain revenue-sharing arrangements, see Note 11 to the accompanying financial statements for further information.

As of March 31, 2025, we had working capital of \$14.5 million, compared to working capital of \$18.6 million as of December 31, 2024. Operating expenses incurred during the three months ended March 31, 2025 were \$5.0 million compared to \$3.8 million during the equivalent prior year period. Based on our lack of recurring revenues, anticipated uses of cash and historical recurring cash losses from operating activities, and cash and cash equivalents as of March 31, 2025, we anticipate that we will be able to fund our operating expenses and capital expenditure requirements into the first quarter of 2026, assuming no additional grant funds are received. We are considering raising additional capital through the issuance of common shares and intends to apply for additional grant funds, which could enable us to fund our operating expenses and capital expenditure requirements beyond the first quarter of 2026, although no assurance can be given that such capital or existing awarded grants will be earned or future grants will be awarded. This estimate is subject to our ability to effectively manage our costs, raise additional capital, and receive additional grant funds. Our assumptions may prove to be wrong, and we could utilize our available capital resources sooner than we currently expect. Furthermore, our operating plan may change, and we may need additional funds sooner than planned in order to meet operational needs and capital requirements for

product development and commercialization. Because of the numerous risks and uncertainties associated with the development and commercialization of our product candidates and the extent to which we may enter into additional collaborations with third parties to participate in their development and commercialization, we are unable to estimate the amounts of increased capital outlays and operating expenditures associated with our current and anticipated clinical trials. Our future funding requirements will depend on many factors, as we:

- initiate or continue clinical trials of our product candidates;
- continue the research and development of our product candidates and seek to discover additional product candidates; seek regulatory approvals for our product candidates if they successfully complete clinical trials;
- continue development of our manufacturing capabilities;
- establish sales, marketing and distribution infrastructure and scale-up manufacturing capabilities to commercialize any product candidates that may receive regulatory approval;
- evaluate strategic transactions we may undertake; and
- enhance operational, financial and information management systems and hire additional personnel, including personnel to support development of our product candidates and, if a product candidate is approved, our commercialization efforts.

Because all of our product candidates are in the early stages of clinical and preclinical development and the outcome of these efforts is uncertain, we cannot estimate the actual amounts necessary to successfully complete the development and commercialization of product candidates or whether, or when, we may achieve profitability. Until such time, if ever, that we can generate substantial product revenue, we expect to finance our cash needs through a combination of equity or debt financings and collaboration arrangements.

We plan to continue to fund our operations and capital funding needs through equity and/or debt financing. We may also consider new collaborations or selectively partner our technology. To the extent that we raise additional capital through the sale of equity or convertible debt securities, the ownership interests of our stockholders will be diluted, and the terms may include liquidation or other preferences that adversely affect the rights of our existing stockholders' common stock. The incurrence of indebtedness would result in increased fixed payment obligations and could involve certain restrictive covenants, such as limitations on our ability to incur additional debt, limitations on our ability to acquire or license intellectual property rights and other operating restrictions that could adversely impact our ability to conduct our business. If we raise additional funds through strategic partnerships and alliances and licensing arrangements with third parties, we may have to relinquish valuable rights to our technologies or product candidates or grant licenses on terms unfavorable to us. We may also be required to pay damages or have liabilities associated with litigation or other legal proceedings involving our company.

In addition to the foregoing, high inflation and concerns about an economic recession in the United States or other major markets have resulted in, among other things, volatility in the capital markets that may have the effect of reducing our ability to access capital, which could in the future negatively affect our liquidity. In addition, a recession or market correction due to these factors could materially affect our business and the value of our common stock.

ATM Agreement

In August 2021, we entered into a Controlled Equity OfferingSM Sales Agreement, or the ATM Agreement, with Cantor Fitzgerald & Co. and RBC Capital Markets, LLC, or the Sales Agents, pursuant to which we could offer and sell, from time to time at our sole discretion through the Sales Agents, shares of our common stock having an aggregate offering price of up to \$75.0 million. Any shares of our common stock sold were issued pursuant to our shelf registration statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-258687), which the SEC declared effective on August 19, 2021. However, our use of the shelf registration statement on Form S-3 was limited for so long as we are subject to General Instruction I.B.6 of Form S-3, which limits the amounts that we could sell under the registration statement and in accordance with the ATM agreement. The Sales Agents were entitled to compensation under the Sales Agreement at a commission rate equal to 3.0% of the gross sales price per share sold under the ATM Agreement, and we provided each of the Sales Agents with indemnification and contribution rights. There was no common stock issued under the ATM Agreement during the three months ended March 31, 2024. On June 10, 2024, the Company provided notice of its termination of the ATM Agreement with Cantor Fitzgerald &

Co. and RBC Capital Markets, LLC. The Company is not subject to any termination penalties related to the termination of the ATM Agreement.

In November 2024, we entered into an At The Market Offering Agreement, or the Sales Agreement, with H.C. Wainwright & Co. LLC, relating to the sale of shares of our common stock having an agreement offering price of up to \$11,431,713 from time to time through H.C. Wainwright & Co. LLC. Any shares of our common stock sold will be issued pursuant to our shelf registration statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-283512), which the SEC declared effective on December 6, 2024. However, our use of the shelf registration statement on Form S-3 will be limited for so long as we are subject to General Instruction I.B.6 of Form S-3, which limits the amounts that we may sell under the registration statement and in accordance with the ATM agreement. H.C. Wainwright & Co. LLC will be entitled to compensation under the Sales Agreement at a commission rate equal to 3.0% of the gross sales price per share sold under the ATM Agreement, and we have provided H.C. Wainwright & Co. LLC with indemnification and contribution rights.

Private Placement

On December 19, 2024, the Company entered into a Securities Purchase Agreement (the “Purchase Agreement”), pursuant to which the Company issued and sold in a private Placement the following securities: (i) 1,783,805 shares of common stock, (ii) Series B Warrants, or Pre-Funded Warrants, to purchase an aggregate of 3,247,445 shares of common stock in lieu of shares of common stock and (iii) Series A Warrants, or Private Placement Warrants, to purchase an aggregate of 5,031,250 shares of common stock. The transaction closed on December 23, 2024. The purchase price per share of common stock and accompanying Private Placement Warrant to purchase a share of common stock was \$3.20, and the purchase price per Pre-Funded Warrant and accompanying Private Placement Warrant to purchase a share of common stock was \$3.199. Total gross proceeds from the sale of securities in the Private Placement, before deducting commissions to the placement agent and estimated offering expenses, was approximately \$16.1 million, which does not include any proceeds that may be received upon exercise of any warrants issued in the Private Placement. Both the Pre-Funded Warrants and the Private Placement Warrants were not exercisable until the Company obtained shareholder approval, which approval was received on March 21, 2025.

Going Concern

We have no sources of revenue, other than grant income, to provide incoming cash flows to sustain our future operations. As outlined above, our ability to pursue our long-term planned business activities is dependent upon our successful efforts to raise additional capital.

These factors raise substantial doubt regarding our ability to continue as a going concern. Our condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis, which implies that we will continue to realize our assets and discharge our liabilities in the normal course of business. Our financial statements do not include any adjustments to the recoverability and classification of recorded asset amounts and classification of liabilities that might be necessary should we be unable to continue as a going concern.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

The condensed consolidated financial statements are prepared in conformity with U.S. GAAP, which require the use of estimates, judgments and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of expenses in the periods presented.

The Company’s critical accounting policies include grant income. The Company does not have any critical accounting estimates.

With respect to grant income, the Company recognizes revenue when qualifying costs are incurred for the amount the Company is entitled to under the provisions of the contract.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

We are a smaller reporting company as defined by Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act and are not required to provide the information required under this item.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures

(a) Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

We have established disclosure controls and procedures, as such term is defined in Rule 13a-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Under the supervision and with the participation of our management, we conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this report to ensure that the information required to be disclosed by us in the 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 the SEC's rules and forms. Disclosure controls and procedures include, without limitation, controls and procedures designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by us in the reports that we file or submit under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our principal executive officer and principal financial officer as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. Our management, with participation of our principal executive officer and principal financial officer, has evaluated the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures as of as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based on that evaluation, our principal executive officer and principal financial officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures are effective in recording, processing, summarizing, and reporting, on a timely basis, information required to be disclosed by us in the reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act.

In designing and evaluating the disclosure controls and procedures, management does not expect that our internal control over financial reporting will prevent or detect all errors and all fraud. A control system, no matter how well conceived and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the objectives of the control systems are met. Further, the design of a control system must reflect the fact that there are resource constraints, and the benefits of controls must be considered relative to their costs. The design of any disclosure controls and procedures also is based in part upon certain assumptions about the likelihood of future events, and there can be no assurance that any design will succeed in achieving its stated goals under all potential future conditions. Our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Principal Financial and Accounting Officer, believes that our disclosure controls and procedures and internal control over financial reporting are designed to provide reasonable assurance of achieving their objectives and are effective at the reasonable assurance level. However, our management does not expect that our disclosure controls and procedures or our internal control over financial reporting will prevent all errors and all fraud.

(b) Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) during the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2025 that materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

PART II – OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

From time to time, we may become involved in legal proceedings, including those arising in the ordinary course of our business. We are not currently a party to any material legal proceedings, and we are not aware of any pending or threatened legal proceeding against us that we believe could have an adverse effect on our business, operating results, or financial condition.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

Our business is subject to risks and events that, if they occur, could adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations and the trading price of our securities. In addition to the other information set forth in this quarterly report on Form 10-Q, you should carefully consider the factors described in Part I, Item 1A. “Risk Factors” of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2024, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 31, 2025. There have been no material changes to the risk factors described in that report.

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

We did not record any issuances of unregistered securities during the three months ended March 31, 2025.

Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities

None.

Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosure

Not applicable.

Item 5. Other Information

(a) None.

(b) None.

(c) *Director and Officer Trading Plans and Arrangements.* During the quarterly period ended March 31, 2025, no director or officer of the Company adopted or terminated any contract, instruction or written plan for the purchase or sale of securities of the Company intended to satisfy the affirmative defense conditions of Rule 10b5-1(c) of the Exchange Act or any “non-Rule 10b5-1 trading arrangement” (as defined in the Exchange Act).

Item 6. Exhibits

The following exhibits are included with this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q:

Exhibit number	Exhibit description	Incorporated by Reference			Filing date	Filed herewith
		Form	File no.	Exhibit		
3.1	Certificate of Incorporation (Delaware)	8-K	001-37939	3.4	10/17/18	
3.1.1	Certificate of Amendment to Certificate of Incorporation	8-K	001-37939	3.1	5/27/2022	
3.1.2	Certificate of Amendment to Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation	8-K	001-37939	3.1	1/26/2023	
3.2	Bylaws of Marker Therapeutics, Inc.	8-K	001-37939	3.6	10/17/18	
31.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) or 15d-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1933, as amended.					X
32.1*	Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 1350 as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.					X
32.2*	Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 1350 as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.					X

Exhibit 101

101.INS - XBRL Instance Document

101.SCH - XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document

101.CAL - XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document

101.DEF - XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document

101.LAB - XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document

101.PRE - XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document

104 - Cover Page Interactive Data File (formatted as Inline XBRL and contained in Exhibit 101 filed herewith).

* Furnished herewith and not deemed to be “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), and shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act (whether made before or after the date of the Form 10-Q), irrespective of any general incorporation language contained in such filing.

** Confidential treatment has been granted as to certain portions of this exhibit pursuant to Rule 406 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or Rule 24b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

SIGNATURES

In accordance with the requirements of the Exchange Act, the registrant caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Date: May 15, 2025

MARKER THERAPEUTICS, INC.

/s/ Juan Vera

Juan Vera

President, Chief Executive Officer and Treasurer (Principal
Executive Officer and Principal Financial and Accounting
Officer)

CERTIFICATION

I, Juan Vera, certify that:

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

Date: May 15, 2025

/s/ Juan Vera

By: **Juan Vera**

Title: President, Chief Executive Officer and Treasurer (Principal Executive Officer)

CERTIFICATION

I, Juan Vera, certify that:

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

Date: May 15, 2025

/s/ Juan Vera

By: **Juan Vera**

Title: President, Chief Executive Officer and Treasurer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

CERTIFICATION OF PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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

The undersigned, Juan Vera, the Chief Executive Officer of Marker Therapeutics, Inc. (the “Company”) hereby certifies, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that, to the best of his knowledge, the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended March 31, 2025, fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and that the information contained in the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q fairly presents in all material respects the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: May 15, 2025

/s/ Juan Vera

Juan Vera

President, Chief Executive Officer and Treasurer
(Principal Executive Officer)

CERTIFICATION OF PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL OFFICER

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

The undersigned, Juan Vera, the Principal Financial Officer of Marker Therapeutics, Inc. (the “Company”) hereby certifies, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that, to the best of his knowledge, the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended March 31, 2025, fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and that the information contained in the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q fairly presents in all material respects the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: May 15, 2025

/s/ Juan Vera

Juan Vera

President, Chief Executive Officer and Treasurer
(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)
