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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# Form 8-K

## **CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the

Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): 05/17/2012

# R. R. DONNELLEY & SONS COMPANY

 $(Exact\ name\ of\ registrant\ as\ specified\ in\ its\ charter)$ 

Commission File Number: 1-4694

**DE** (State or other jurisdiction

361004130 (IRS Employer

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of incorporation) Identification No.)

111 S. Wacker Dr., Chicago, IL 60606

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

312-326-8000

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

#### Item 5.07. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

- (a) The Company held its Annual Meeting of Stockholders on May 17, 2012.
- (b) The following matters were voted upon at the Annual Meeting of Stockholders.
- 1. The election of the nominees for Directors was voted on by the Stockholders. The nominees, all of whom were elected, were Thomas J. Quinlan III, Stephen M. Wolf, Susan M. Cameron, Lee A. Chaden, Richard L. Crandall, Judith H. Hamilton, Thomas S. Johnson, John C. Pope, Michael T. Riordan and Oliver R. Sockwell. The Inspectors of Election certified the following vote tabulations:

|                        | FOR         | AGAINST       | ABSTAIN                    | NON-VOTES            |
|------------------------|-------------|---------------|----------------------------|----------------------|
| Thomas J. Quinlan III  | 133,159,    | 495 2,574,792 | 314,152                    | 2 26,686,690         |
| Stephen M. Wolf        | 131,149,    | 575 4,526,125 | 372,739                    | 26,686,690           |
| Susan M. Cameron       | <u>(1)</u>  |               | <u>(4)</u> <u>(3)</u>      | Common Stock 3,402 D |
| Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0<br>(1) |               | Common 6,038 (5) (3) Stock | 6,038 D              |

# **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships |           |         |       |  |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|
|                                | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |  |

Johnson Denise C C/O THE MOSAIC COMPANY 3033 CAMPUS DRIVE, SUITE E490 PLYMOUTH, MN 55441

# **Signatures**

/s/ Mark J. Isaacson, Attorney-in-Fact for Denise C.
Johnson
05/17/2017

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

# **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) One-for-One
- (2) The restricted stock units vested on May 14, 2015. Vested shares were delivered to the reporting person on May 15, 2017.
- (3) Not Applicable
- (4) The restricted stock units will vest on the date of the issuer's 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders. Vested shares will be delivered to the reporting person on May 14, 2018.
- (5) The restricted stock units will vest on the date of the issuer's 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders. Vested shares will be delivered to the reporting person on May 19, 2019.

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Thomas S. Johnson

102,557,117 33,127,069 364,253 26,686,690

John C. Pope

129,598,832 6,103,449 346,158 26,686,690

Michael T. Riordan

132,421,915 3,304,374 322,150 26,686,690

Oliver R. Sockwell

132,788,935 2,905,290 354,214 26,686,690

2. The Stockholders voted to approve the advisory resolution on executive compensation. The Inspectors of Election certified the following vote tabulation:

| FOR         | AGAINST    | ABSTAIN   | NON-VOTES  |
|-------------|------------|-----------|------------|
| 114,411,510 | 20,623,764 | 1,012,838 | 26,687,017 |

3. The Stockholders voted to approve the Company s 2012 Performance Incentive Plan. The Inspectors of Election certified the following vote tabulation:

| FOR        | AGAINST    | ABSTAIN | NON-VOTES  |
|------------|------------|---------|------------|
| 91,089,048 | 44,461,488 | 497,576 | 26,687,017 |

4. The Stockholders voted to ratify the Audit Committee s appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP as the independent registered public accounting firm to audit the financial statements of the Company for fiscal year 2012. The Inspectors of Election certified the following vote tabulation:

| FOR         | AGAINST   | ABSTAIN | NON-VOTES |
|-------------|-----------|---------|-----------|
| 160.359.326 | 2,005,906 | 369,897 | -0-       |

<sup>5.</sup> A stockholder proposal recommending preparation of a sustainable paper purchasing report was rejected by the Stockholders. The Inspectors of Election certified the following vote tabulation:

| FOR        | AGAINST    | ABSTAIN    | NON-VOTES  |
|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| 33,089,044 | 90,892,656 | 12,066,412 | 26,687,017 |

#### **SIGNATURES**

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

#### R. R. DONNELLEY & SONS COMPANY

Date: May 21, 2012 By: /s/ Suzanne S. Bettman

Suzanne S. Bettman Executive Vice President,

#### General Counsel

Audit Committee. The current members of the audit committee are Mr. Lucas (Chairman), Dr. Caudill and Mr. Pines. Dr. Sorell served as a member of the audit committee during fiscal 2006 and until April 1, 2007. The board of directors has determined that each member of the audit committee satisfies all applicable independence and experience requirements of the American Stock Exchange and the Securities and Exchange Commission for audit committee membership. The board of directors has also determined that two members of the audit committee, Dr. Caudill and Mr. Lucas are qualified as audit committee financial experts as defined by the SEC.

The audit committee acts pursuant to a written charter adopted by the board of directors. A copy of the charter is included as Appendix A to this proxy statement. The audit committee retains our independent auditors, reviews their independence, reviews and approves any fee arrangements with our auditors, oversees their audit work, reviews and pre-approves any non-audit services that may be performed by them, reviews the adequacy of accounting and financial controls, reviews our critical accounting policies and reviews and approves any related party transactions. The audit committee held eleven meetings during fiscal 2006.

Compensation Committee. The current members of the compensation committee are Dr. Caudill (Chairman), Mr. Lucas and Mr. Pines. The board of directors has determined that each current member of the compensation committee satisfies all applicable independence and experience requirements of the American Stock Exchange and the Securities and Exchange Commission for compensation committee membership and as outside directors within the meaning of Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

The compensation committee acts pursuant to a written charter adopted by the board of directors. The compensation committee determines all compensation for our chief executive officer, including incentive-based and equity-based compensation. In addition, the compensation committee reviews and approves salary and bonus levels for other executive officers and approves stock option grants to executive officers. The compensation committee held three meetings during fiscal 2006.

Agendas for the meetings of the compensation committee are determined through a collaborative process involving the committee chairman and the chief executive officer. Committee meetings are usually attended by the chief executive, financial, legal and technical officers, who are excused from the meeting when the committee discusses their individual compensation or performance and during other executive sessions of the committee.

Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee. The current members of the nominating and corporate governance committee are Mr. Lucas (Chairman), Dr. Caudill and Dr. Mueller. The board of directors has determined that each member of the nominating and corporate governance committee satisfies all applicable independence requirements of the American Stock Exchange for nominating and corporate governance committee membership. Mr. Taglich served as a member of the nominating and corporate governance committee until January 27, 2006. Mr. Taglich is not considered independent as a result of placement agent fees paid to Taglich Brothers and compensation paid to Mr. Taglich for consulting services he provides to us.

The nominating and corporate governance committee acts pursuant to a written charter adopted by the board of directors. The nominating and corporate governance committee identifies individuals qualified to become members of the board of directors, selects or recommends to the board of directors director nominees for each election of directors, develops and recommends to the board of directors criteria for selecting qualified director candidates, considers committee member qualifications, appointment and removal, and provides oversight in the evaluation of the board of directors and each committee. The nominating and corporate governance committee held three meetings during fiscal 2006.

#### **Director Nominations**

When considering the nomination of director for election to the board of directors, the nominating and corporate governance committee generally reviews the results of an evaluation performed by the board of directors and each committee and the needs of the board of directors for various skills, background, experience and expected contribution and qualifications of the candidate. In this regard, the nominating and corporate governance committee concerns itself with the composition of the board of directors with respect to depth of experience, balance of professional interests, required expertise and other factors. The nominating and corporate governance committee evaluates prospective nominees on its own initiative or referred to it by the board of directors, management, stockholders or external sources.

Our stockholders may nominate candidates for election as directors if they follow the procedures and conform to the deadlines specified in our bylaws. The complete description of the requirements for stockholder nomination of director candidates is contained in the bylaws. In summary, a stockholder desiring to nominate one or more candidates for election at our next annual meeting must submit written notice of such nomination to our corporate secretary not less than 90 days in advance of the third Monday in May. The deadline for submission of any director nominations by our stockholders for the next annual meeting is also set forth in the proxy statement for each annual meeting.

Any stockholders nominating candidates for election as directors are also required to provide the following information with respect to their nominees:

the stockholder s name and address;

a representation that the stockholder is entitled to vote at the annual meeting and a statement of the number of shares beneficially owned by the stockholder;

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a description of all arrangements or understandings between the stockholder and each nominee and any other person or persons (naming such person or persons) pursuant to which the nominations are to be made by the stockholder;

any other information relating to each nominee that would be required to be disclosed in a proxy statement filed pursuant to the SEC s proxy rules; and

the consent of each nominee to serve as a director if so elected.

Evaluation of any recommendations by stockholders of director candidates is the responsibility of our nominating and corporate governance committee under its charter. Stockholders may submit in writing recommendations for consideration by the nominating and corporate governance committee to the attention of our corporate secretary at 3625 132nd Avenue SE, Suite 400, Bellevue, Washington 98006. Recommendations should contain a detailed discussion of the qualifications of each recommended candidate and any other material information the stockholder wants the nominating and corporate governance committee to consider.

#### **Communications with Directors**

Any stockholder wishing to communicate with any of our directors regarding SCOLR Pharma may write to the director, c/o Corporate Secretary, 3625 132nd Avenue SE, Suite 400, Bellevue, Washington 98006. Any such correspondence should indicate that the sender is a stockholder of SCOLR Pharma. Our corporate secretary will forward all communications the director or directors to whom it is addressed as soon as practicable, although communications that are primarily commercial in nature, abusive, in bad taste or that present safety or security concerns may be handled differently. The independent directors of the board of directors review and approve the stockholder communication process periodically to ensure effective communication with stockholders.

#### **Director Attendance at Annual Meetings**

We believe that annual meetings provide an opportunity for stockholders to communicate with members of our board of directors. We will make every effort to schedule the annual meeting of stockholders at a time and date to maximize attendance by directors taking into account the directors—schedules. All of our directors are encouraged to attend the annual meeting of stockholders. We will reimburse all reasonable out-of-pocket traveling expenses incurred by our directors attending the annual meeting. All eight of our directors attended the 2006 annual meeting of stockholders.

#### **Code of Business Conduct and Ethics**

The board of directors has adopted a code of business conduct that applies to all of our employees, officers and directors. The code of conduct also sets forth our procedures for reporting possible wrongdoing to executive management and establishes a confidential procedure for reporting to the audit committee. The code of business conduct is available on our website at <a href="https://www.scolr.com">www.scolr.com</a>. Any substantive amendment or waiver of the code of business conduct for executive officers or directors may be made only by the audit committee, and we intend to disclose any such amendment or waiver on our website.

### **Corporate Governance Materials**

The board of directors has adopted a written charter for each of the committees described above. A copy of the audit committee charter is included as Appendix A to this proxy statement. Links to these materials are available on our website at www.scolr.com.

## **Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation**

The current members of the compensation committee are Dr. Caudill (Chairman), Mr. Lucas and Mr. Pines. Although Mr. Wilds, our president and chief executive officer, participated in compensation discussions during 2006, he did not participate in any deliberations or decisions regarding his own compensation.

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

The audit committee of the board of directors has selected Grant Thornton LLP as our independent auditors for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2007. Grant Thornton LLP has audited our financial statements for the 2006 and 2005 fiscal years. A representative of Grant Thornton LLP is expected to be present at the annual meeting, will have an opportunity to make a statement if the representative desires to do so, and is expected to be available to respond to appropriate questions.

The following table sets for the aggregate fees billed to us for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2006, and 2005, by Grant Thornton LLP, our independent auditors.

|                       | Fiscal 2006          | Fiscal 2005 |
|-----------------------|----------------------|-------------|
|                       | (In thous<br>U.S. do |             |
| Audit Fees(1)         | \$ 321,000           | \$ 252,000  |
| Audit-Related Fees(2) |                      |             |
| Tax Fees(3)           | 9,000                | 8,000       |
| All Other Fees(4)     |                      |             |

- (1) Audit fees represent amounts billed for each of the years presented for professional services rendered in connection with (i) the audit of our annual financial statements, (ii) the review of our quarterly financial statements or (iii) those services normally provided in connection with statutory and regulatory filings or engagements including comfort letters, consents and other services related to SEC matters. This information is presented as of the latest practicable date for this proxy statement.
- (2) Audit-related fees represent amounts we were billed in each of the years presented for assurance and related services that are reasonably related to the performance of the annual audit or quarterly reviews. This category primarily includes services relating to internal control assessments and accounting-related consulting. Grant Thornton LLP rendered no such services during the last two years.
- (3) Tax fees represent amounts we were billed in each of the years presented for professional services rendered in connection with tax compliance, tax advice, and tax planning.
- (4) All other fees represent amounts we were billed in each of the years presented for services not classifiable under the other categories listed in the table above.

The audit committee s policy is to pre-approve all audit and permissible non-audit services provided by our independent auditors. These services may include audit services, audit-related services, tax services and other services. Pre-approval is generally provided for up to one year and any pre-approval is detailed as to the particular service or category of services. The independent auditor and management are required to periodically report to the audit committee regarding the extent of services provided by the independent auditor in accordance with this pre-approval.

#### REPORT OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

The audit committee oversees our financial reporting process on behalf of the board of directors. Management has the primary responsibility for the financial statements and the reporting process, including internal control systems. Grant Thornton LLP is responsible for performing an independent audit of our financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States and to issue a report on its audit.

The current members of the audit committee are Mr. Lucas (Chairman), Dr. Caudill and Mr. Pines. Dr. Sorell served as a member of the audit committee during fiscal 2006 and until April 1, 2007. The board of directors has determined that each member of the audit committee satisfies all applicable independence and experience requirements of the American Stock Exchange and the Securities and Exchange Commission for audit committee membership. The board of directors has also determined that two members of the audit committee, Dr. Caudill and Mr. Lucas are qualified as audit committee financial experts as defined by the SEC.

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The audit committee has reviewed and discussed the audited financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2006, with management and with our independent auditors. The audit committee has also reviewed and discussed with our independent auditors all matters required to be discussed by Statement on Auditing Standards No. 61 (Communication with Audit Committees). The audit committee has met with Grant Thornton LLP, with and without management present, to discuss the overall scope of Grant Thornton LLP s audit, the results of its examinations, its evaluations of our internal controls and the overall quality of our financial reporting.

The audit committee has received from Grant Thornton LLP a formal written statement describing all relationships between the auditors and us that might bear on the auditors independence consistent with Independence Standards Board Standard No. 1 (Independence Discussions with Audit Committees), discussed with the auditors any relationships that may impact their objectivity and independence, and satisfied itself as to the auditors independence.

Based on the review and discussions referred to above, the audit committee recommended to the board of directors that SCOLR Pharma s audited financial statements be included our annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2006.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

Herbert L. Lucas (Chairman)

Randall L-W. Caudill

Wayne L. Pines

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#### **EXECUTIVE OFFICERS**

Our executive officers are generally elected annually at the meeting of our board of directors held in conjunction with the annual meeting of stockholders. The following are our current executive officers and their ages as of April 1, 2007:

| Name              | Position  | Age | <b>Position Since</b> |
|-------------------|---|-----|-----------------------|
| Daniel O. Wilds   | President and Chief Executive Officer                               | 58  | 2003                  |
| Richard M. Levy   | Vice President of Finance and Chief Financial Officer               | 48  | 2005                  |
| Alan M. Mitchel   | Senior Vice President of Business and Legal Affairs and Chief Legal |     |                       |
|                   | Officer   | 50  | 2005                  |
| Stephen J. Turner | Vice President and Chief Technical Officer                          | 36  | 2003                  |

The following sets forth the business experience, principal occupations and employment of each of our current executive officers.

For a biographical summary of *Daniel O. Wilds*, see Directors.

Richard M. Levy was appointed Chief Financial Officer and Vice President of Finance on June 8, 2006, and served as interim Chief Financial Officer and Vice President of Finance commencing December 15, 2005. Mr. Levy has over two decades of experience in financial institutions as a chief financial officer, controller, consultant and auditor. He served as the corporate controller for Safeco Insurance, and prior to that the CFO for the specialty finance segment and corporate controller for Washington Mutual Bank. Mr. Levy worked for Bank of America for seven years. His experience there included serving as the senior vice president and controller of Bank of America Texas operations and also included coordinating all accounting activities and acting as chief financial officer for new acquisitions, including acquisitions of community banks and the transition process into a larger holding company. His work at Bank of America also included international financial management experience in its international private banking and world banking divisions. His corporate financial duties included serving as director and as chief financial officer of various Bank of America subsidiaries. Mr. Levy earned his BA in business economics and accounting from the University of California, Santa Barbara and is licensed as a CPA in Washington State.

Alan M. Mitchel has worked for SCOLR Pharma since January 2005 as Senior Vice President of Business and Legal Affairs and Chief Legal Officer. Mr. Mitchel has practiced corporate law for more than twenty years prior to joining us, with private law firms in Seattle and Miami. In addition, Mr. Mitchel has general management experience as managing partner of a food manufacturing company for the food service industry. Mr. Mitchel received an LLB from Duke University School of Law.

Stephen J. Turner has worked for SCOLR Pharma since the fall of 1999 and primarily has been responsible for the commercialization and application of our CDT platform. In 2003, Mr. Turner was promoted to our Vice President and Chief Technical Officer. In addition to Mr. Turner s involvement in our growth and application of our technology platform, he is named on one patent issued to SCOLR, has contributed to numerous additional patent filings, has published articles in industry related publications, and has presented his research findings at numerous academic seminars and symposia. Mr. Turner is an active member in scientific organizations including AAPS (American Association of Pharmaceutical Scientists) and the Controlled Release Society. Mr. Turner holds a BS in biology with a minor in geochemistry from Western Washington University.

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#### **EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION**

#### **Compensation Discussion and Analysis**

Dr. Caudill, Mr. Lucas and Mr. Pines are the current members of the compensation committee. The compensation committee is responsible for establishing compensation programs for all employees with compensation in excess of \$100,000, including executives. For executive officers, the compensation committee evaluates performance and determines compensation policies and levels. The president and chief executive officer may participate in the committee discussions regarding compensation of executive officers, but may not be present when the committee discusses his own compensation.

#### **Compensation Philosophy**

The goals of our compensation program are to align employee compensation with our business objectives and performance and to enable us to attract and retain the highest quality executive officers and other employees, reward them for our progress and motivate them to enhance long term stockholder value. The key elements of the philosophy are as follows:

We pay competitively with companies with which we compete for talent.

We maintain short and long-term incentive opportunities sufficient to provide motivation to achieve specific operating goals and to generate rewards that bring total compensation to competitive levels.

#### **Forms of Compensation**

Base Salary. The compensation committee annually reviews each executive officer s base salary. When reviewing base salaries, the compensation committee considers individual and corporate performance, levels of responsibilities, prior experience, breadth of knowledge and competitive pay practices. Base salaries for executive officers for 2006 were increased between 4.5% and 8% as compared to fiscal 2005. The increases were due to the executive officer s and our performance during the prior year, including, among other things, the completion of additional financing in April 2006, completion of strategic alliances and the progress of our development programs.

*Near-Term Incentives.* In December 2006, the compensation committee met and approved cash bonuses for performance for the 2006 fiscal year for all executive officers. The bonuses awarded depended on the achievement of specified corporate goals and individual performance objectives for each executive officer. Cash bonuses awarded to executive officers for performance in 2006 ranged from 33% to 49% of the executive officers respective base salaries. The compensation committee annually reviews and approves the performance objectives for our executives.

Long-Term Incentives. Our long term incentive program for officers consists of stock option grants pursuant to our 2004 equity incentive plan. Stock options granted to our executive officers under the plan generally vest over a three year period to encourage employees to remain with us. Through option grants, executives and employees receive equity as an incentive to assist in building long-term stockholder value. Stock option grants in 2006 were made at an exercise price of 100% of the fair market value of our common stock on the date of grant. Executive officers receive value from the grants only if the common stock appreciates over the long term. In determining the size of stock option grants to executive officers, the compensation committee bases its decisions on such factors as the value of options awarded to comparable positions in peer group companies, corporate and individual performance, the number of options currently held by the officers, the allocation of overall share usage attributed to executive officers and the relative proportion of long-term incentives within the total compensation mix.

#### **Compliance with Internal Revenue Code Section 162(m)**

Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, generally disallows a tax deduction to public companies for compensation over \$1 million paid to its chief executive officer and its other highly compensated executive officers. The compensation committee established a Section 162 subcommittee which is comprised solely of outside directors (currently Dr. Caudill and Mr. Lucas) for purposes of Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code as amended. The subcommittee was authorized to approve compensation arrangements for our highly compensated officers, as well as approve stock option grants to executive officers and directors. However, qualifying performance-based compensation will not be subject to the deduction limit if certain requirements are met. The Section 162(m) subcommittee reviews the potential effect of Section 162(m) periodically and generally seeks to structure the long-term incentive compensation granted to our executive officers in a manner that is intended to avoid disallowance under Section 162(m).

#### **Compensation Committee**

The primary purpose of the compensation committee is to discharge the board s responsibilities relating to compensation and benefits of our executive officers. In carrying out these responsibilities, the compensation committee reviews all components of executive officer compensation for consistency with the committee s compensation philosophy as in effect from time to time. The compensation committee also oversees and recommends director compensation to the board of directors.

The committee has the authority to obtain advice or assistance from consultants, legal counsel, accounting or other advisors as appropriate, to perform its duties and to determine the terms, costs and fees for such engagements. The committee has the sole authority to retain or terminate any consulting firm used to evaluate director, chief executive officer or executive compensation, and to determine and approve the terms of engagement the fees and costs for such engagements. We pay the fees and costs of any consultant or advisor engaged by the committee to assist in it in performing any of its duties. The committee does not currently engage any consultant related to executive or director compensation matters, however, the committee is evaluating proposals from independent consulting firms to assist it in performing its duties.

The committee meets as often as it deems appropriate, but not less frequently than once each year, to review the compensation of our executive officers, and to otherwise perform its duties under its charter.

To fulfill its responsibilities and duties, the committee:

Determines all compensation for our chief executive officer, including incentive-based and equity-based compensation. Our chief executive officer may not be present during such voting or deliberations.

Reviews and approves annual performance objectives and goals relevant to compensation for our chief executive officer and evaluates the performance of our chief executive officer in light of these goals and objectives.

Considers, in determining the long-term incentive component of compensation for our chief executive officer, the performance of SCOLR Pharma and relative stockholder return, the value of similar incentive awards to chief executive officers at comparable companies, and the awards given to our chief executive officer in past years.

Makes recommendations to the board regarding incentive-based or equity-based compensation plans in which our executive officers participate, reviews and approves salaries, incentive and equity awards for other executive officers and oversees the evaluation of management.

Approves all employment, severance, or change-in-control agreements, special or supplemental benefits applicable to our executive officers.

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Periodically reviews and advises the board concerning both regional and industry-wide compensation practices and trends in order to assess the adequacy and competitiveness of our compensation programs for our chief executive officer and our other executive officers relative to comparable companies in our industry.

#### **Chief Executive Officer Compensation**

Mr. Wilds s base salary as president and chief executive officer in fiscal year 2006 was \$335,000. His bonus for 2006 consisted of \$163,313 in cash. Mr. Wilds s base salary and bonus were determined by the compensation committee in the same manner as that for our other executive officers, and was based on the achievement of specified corporate goals and individual performance objectives, including, among other things, the completion of additional financing in March 2006, negotiation of strategic alliances, and the progress of our development programs.

Mr. Wilds s base salary for 2007 was set at \$350,000.

We entered into an employment agreement with Mr. Wilds in November 2004. In accordance with this agreement, we granted Mr. Wilds options to purchase 300,000 shares of common stock at an exercise price of \$3.21 per share (the closing price at the date of grant). This grant reflected Mr. Wilds s performance in 2004 and 2003 and was designed to align his long term compensation with building stockholder value. These options have a ten year term and vest over three years in 36 equal monthly installments. The agreement also provides that Mr. Wilds will receive a monthly car allowance of \$500, paid vacation of four weeks per year, and other customary benefits. Mr. Wilds did not receive any additional stock options during 2006.

#### **Summary Compensation Table**

The following table sets forth information concerning the compensation earned during fiscal 2006 by our Chief Executive Officer, our Chief Financial Officer, and our two other most highly-compensated executive officers.

#### 2006 SUMMARY COMPENSATION TABLE

| Name and Principal Position                           | Year | Salary (\$) | Option<br>Awards<br>(\$)(1) | Non-Equity<br>Incentive Plan<br>Compensation<br>(\$)(2) | All Other<br>Compensation<br>(\$)(3) | Total (\$) |
|---|------|-------------|-----------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|------------|
| Daniel O. Wilds                                       | 2006 | \$ 335,000  | \$ 260,336                  | \$ 163,313  | \$ 6,000(4)                          | \$ 764,649 |
| President and Chief Executive Officer                 |      |             |                             |   |                                      |            |
| Richard M. Levy                                       | 2006 | 185,000     | 124,028                     | 66,500  | 2,000                                | 377,528    |
| Vice President of Finance and Chief Financial Officer |      |             |                             |   |                                      |            |
| Alan M. Mitchel                                       | 2006 | 261,000     | 269,307                     | 123,937   | 4,185                                | 658,429    |
| Senior Vice President of Business and Legal Affairs   |      |             |                             |   |                                      |            |
| Stephen J. Turner                                     | 2006 | 225,000     | 174,091                     | 90,000  | 3,000                                | 492,091    |

#### Vice President and Chief Technical Officer

- (1) Valuation based on the dollar amount recognized for financial statement reporting purposes pursuant to FAS 123(R). The assumptions used with respect to the valuation of option grants are set forth in Note 13 to our consolidated financial statements.
- (2) Consists of a bonus based on the achievement of specified targets determined by our board of directors prior to the beginning of the fiscal year.
- (3) Except as otherwise indicated, consists of matching contributions to the SCOLR Pharma 401(k) Plan.
- (4) Consists of a car allowance.

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#### **Employment Contracts**

We entered into an employment agreement with Mr. Wilds which provides that he will continue serving as our president and chief executive officer indefinitely, subject to termination as provided in the agreement. The agreement provided for an increase in Mr. Wilds s base salary to \$320,000 per year effective January 1, 2005 (subsequently increased to \$350,000 per year) and annual reviews and possible increases in subsequent years. In addition, Mr. Wilds will be eligible to receive an annual bonus up to 65% percent of his base salary (as adjusted from time to time) based on the achievement of certain objectives approved by the board of directors in its discretion; provided there has been a minimum gain in our market capitalization of 20% for the year under consideration for payment of a bonus. We may terminate Mr. Wilds s agreement for cause without notice or compensation, except for unpaid base salary and other benefits already earned. If we terminate the agreement without cause, or if Mr. Wilds resigns for good reason, Mr. Wilds will receive a lump sum payment equal to 87.5% of his then current base salary, a prorated bonus payment equal to 65% of such base salary for the portion of the year prior to termination (provided there has been a minimum gain in our market capitalization of 20% during the applicable portion of such year), accelerated vesting of any unvested stock options, and continued medical coverage at our expense for up to one year. The agreement also provides that Mr. Wilds will receive a monthly car allowance of \$500, paid vacation of four weeks per year and other customary benefits.

We entered into an employment with Mr. Levy, effective December 15, 2005, which provides that he will serve as our chief financial officer and vice president finance. The agreement provides for an initial annual salary of \$185,000 (subsequently increased to \$216,000), and Mr. Levy will be eligible to receive an annual bonus of up to 35% of his base salary based on the achievement of certain objectives approved by the board of directors in its sole discretion. We also granted Mr. Levy an option to purchase 150,000 shares of our common stock. The option was immediately exercisable with respect to 25,000 shares, and the remaining portion of the option will vest over a period of three years, with one-third vesting on December 15, 2006, and the remainder vesting monthly thereafter in 24 equal installments. In the event of a change of control, Mr. Levy s option will fully vest and become immediately exercisable. The agreement has a term of six months and will continue thereafter on a month-to-month basis unless earlier terminated in accordance with the terms of the agreement. Mr. Levy was entitled to receive continuation of his base salary for the period of time remaining in his initial six-month term of employment if we terminated his employment without cause. He also agreed not to compete with us for one year following the termination of his employment.

We entered into an employment agreement with Mr. Mitchel, effective January 10, 2005, which provides that he will serve as senior vice president of business and legal affairs and chief legal officer indefinitely, subject to termination as provided in the agreement. The agreement provides for the payment of a base salary of \$245,000 per year (subsequently increased to \$281,799 per year), with annual reviews and possible increases in subsequent years. Mr. Mitchel will be eligible to receive an annual bonus up to 50% percent of his base salary (as adjusted from time to time) based on the achievement of certain objectives approved by the board of directors in its discretion; provided there has been a minimum gain in our market capitalization of 20% for the year under consideration for payment of a bonus. In addition, Mr. Mitchel was also granted an option to purchase 200,000 shares of our common stock. We may terminate Mr. Mitchel s agreement for cause without notice or compensation to Mr. Mitchel, except for unpaid base salary and other benefits already earned. If we terminate the agreement without cause, or if Mr. Mitchel resigns for good reason, Mr. Mitchel will receive a lump sum payment equal to 87.5% of his then current base salary, a prorated bonus payment equal to 50% of such base salary for the portion of the year prior to termination (provided there has been a minimum gain in our market capitalization of 20% during the applicable portion of such year), accelerated vesting of any unvested stock options, and continued medical coverage at our expense for up to one year.

We entered into an employment agreement with Mr. Turner which provides that he will serve as vice president and chief technical officer. The agreement provides for an annual salary of at least \$85,000 (subsequently increased to \$240,750 per year) and includes provisions for bonus, salary increases and stock options as determined by the board of directors. In accordance with the terms of the agreement, Mr. Turner s employment is at will and he may be terminated at any time with or without cause. However, if we terminate

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Mr. Turner s employment without cause, or if Mr. Turner terminates his employment for good reason, we have agreed to continue to pay his then current base salary for six months following the date of termination.

#### **Grants of Plan-Based Awards**

The following table sets forth certain information with respect to option awards and other plan-based awards granted during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2006, to our named executive officers:

#### 2006 GRANTS OF PLAN-BASED AWARDS

|                   |                   | Estimated Future Payouts Under Non-<br>Equity Incentive Plan Awards |     | All Other<br>Option<br>Awards:<br>Number of<br>Securities<br>Underlying | Exercise<br>or Base<br>Price of<br>Option<br>Awards | Grant Date<br>Fair Value of<br>Stock and<br>Option |      |             |
|-------------------|-------------------|---|-----|---|---|--|------|-------------|
| Name              | <b>Grant Date</b> | Threshold (S  | \$) | Target (\$)   | Maximum (\$)  | Options (#)  | (\$) | Awards (\$) |
| Daniel O. Wilds   | 11/12/04          | \$  | \$  | 217,750   | \$  |  | \$   | \$          |
| Richard M. Levy   | 12/15/05          |   |     | 70,000  |   |  |      |             |
| Alan M. Mitchel   | 1/10/05           |   |     | 130,460   |   |  |      |             |
|                   | 4/27/2006         |   |     | ,   |   | 60,000   | 5.70 | 210,864     |
| Stephen J. Turner | 12/13/05          |   |     | 112,500   |   | 60,000   | 5 70 | 210.964     |
|                   | 4/27/2006         |   |     |   |   | 60,000   | 5.70 | 210,864     |

<sup>(1)</sup> We award cash bonuses based on the achievement of specified financial targets determined by our board of directors prior to the beginning of the fiscal year and specified in the employment agreements of the named executive officers. The target payout amounts are as specified in the employment agreements for Messrs. Wilds, Levy and Mitchel, and as set by the board of directors at the beginning of each fiscal year for Mr. Turner. The actual amount paid to each named executive officer for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2006, is set forth in the Summary Compensation Table under the heading Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation.

#### **Outstanding Equity Awards at Fiscal Year-End**

The following table sets forth certain information with respect to the value of all unexercised options previously awarded to our named executive officers as of December 31, 2006:

#### **OUTSTANDING EQUITY AWARDS AT DECEMBER 31, 2006**

#### Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised

|                   | Options (#)               | Number of Securities<br>Underlying Unexercised<br>Options (#)(1) | Option<br>Exercise   | Option                        |
|-------------------|---------------------------|--|----------------------|-------------------------------|
| Name              | Exercisable               | Unexercisable  | Price (\$)           | <b>Expiration Date</b>        |
| Daniel O. Wilds   | 250,000                   |  | 2.10                 | 8/7/13                        |
|                   | 194,675                   | 105,325(2)   | 3.21                 | 11/11/14                      |
| Richard M. Levy   | 66,665                    | 83,335(3)  | 4.49                 | 12/15/15                      |
| Alan M. Mitchel   | 127,777                   | 72,223(2)  | 4.50                 | 1/10/15                       |
|                   |                           | 60,000(1)  | 5.70                 | 4/28/16                       |
| Stephen J. Turner | 5,000<br>25,000<br>25,000 |  | 0.35<br>0.66<br>0.56 | 12/29/10<br>2/9/11<br>5/24/11 |

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| 50,000 |           | 1.05 | 5/15/13 |
|--------|-----------|------|---------|
| 36,850 | 18,150(4) | 3.15 | 4/15/14 |
| 40,000 | 20,000(1) | 4.80 | 12/6/14 |
|        | 60,000(1) | 5.70 | 4/28/16 |

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- (1) The option vests at the rate of 1/3 of the underlying shares on the first anniversary of the date of grant and 1/36 of the shares each month thereafter.
- (2) The option vests at the rate of 1/36 of the underlying shares on the initial vesting date of grant and 1/36 of the shares each month thereafter.
- (3) The option vested with respect to 25,000 of the underlying shares on the date of grant, with the remaining option vesting at the rate of 1/3 of the underlying shares on the first anniversary of the date of grant and 1/36 of the shares each month thereafter.
- (4) The option vested in full on April 15, 2007.

#### Option Exercises and Stock Vested During Last Fiscal Year

None of our named executive officers exercised options during fiscal 2006.

#### **Pension Benefits**

None of our named executive officers participate in or have account balances in qualified or non-qualified defined benefit plans sponsored by us.

#### **Nonqualified Deferred Compensation**

None of our named executive officers participate in or have account balances in non-qualified defined contribution plans or other deferred compensation plans maintained by us. The compensation committee, which is comprised solely of outside directors as defined for purposes of Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code, may elect to provide our officers and other employees with non-qualified defined contribution or deferred compensation benefits if the compensation committee determines that doing so is in our best interests.

#### Potential Payments upon Termination or Change in Control

Mr. Wilds is entitled to severance benefits if we terminate his employment without cause, or if Mr. Wilds resigns for good reason. The severance benefits include a lump sum payment equal to 87.5% of his then current base salary, a prorated bonus payment equal to 65% of such base salary for the portion of the year prior to termination (provided there has been a minimum gain in our market capitalization of 20% during the applicable portion of such year), accelerated vesting of any unvested stock options, and continued medical coverage at our expense for up to one year.

Mr. Levy s stock options will fully vest and become immediately exercisable in the event of a change in control.

Mr. Mitchel is entitled to severance benefits if we terminate his employment without cause, or if Mr. Mitchel resigns for good reason. The severance benefits include a lump sum payment equal to 87.5% of his then current base salary, a prorated bonus payment equal to 50% of such base salary for the portion of the year prior to termination (provided there has been a minimum gain in our market capitalization of 20% during the applicable portion of such year), accelerated vesting of any unvested stock options, and continued medical coverage at our expense for up to one year.

Mr. Turner is entitled to a continuation of his then current base salary for six months following termination if we terminate his employment without cause, or if Mr. Turner terminates his employment for good reason.

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Assuming the employment of our named executive officers were to be terminated involuntarily or terminates for good reason on December 31, 2006, in connection with or within twelve months of a change in control, they would be entitled to payments in the amounts set forth opposite their name in the following table:

## POTENTIAL SEVERANCE PAYMENTS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2006

|  | Salary Lump      | 11 14b                  | Acceleration<br>of Stock |
|--|------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>Executive Officer</b>               | Sum Payment (\$) | Health<br>Benefits (\$) | Options<br>Vesting (\$)  |
| Daniel O. Wilds                        | \$ 293,125       | \$ 10,000               | \$ 156,934               |
| Stephen J. Turner                      | 112,500          |                         |                          |
| Alan M. Mitchel                        | 228,375          | 12,000                  | 14,445                   |
| Richard M. Levy  Termination for Cause |                  |                         | 17,500                   |

We are not obligated to make any cash payment to these executives if their employment is terminated by us for cause or by the executive without good reason.

#### **Equity Acceleration**

Under our 2004 Equity Incentive Plan, in the event of a change in control, any options which are neither assumed or substituted for by the acquiror in connection with the change in control nor exercised as of the date of the change in control shall terminate and cease to be outstanding effective as of the date of the change in control. However, our board of directors may, in its discretion, provide in any option award agreement that, in the event of a change in control, the exercisability and vesting of the outstanding option and any shares acquired upon the exercise thereof shall accelerate upon such circumstances and to such extent as specified in such award agreement.

#### 280G Tax Adjustment

If any payment or benefit received or to be received by Messrs. Wilds or Mitchel under their respective employment agreements would constitute an excess parachute payment within the meaning of Section 280G of the Internal Revenue Code, then he may elect to reduce the amounts payable to him in order to avoid any payment which would be nondeductible by us under Section 280G.

## Release of Claims

As a condition to each executive s entitlement to receive the cash severance payments referenced in the tables above, the executive is required to execute a release of claims against SCOLR Pharma.

#### DIRECTOR COMPENSATION

Our board of directors, based on competitive data, determined the cash and equity compensation structure as set forth below to be paid to members of the board of directors and committees of the board of directors who are not employees, effective as of January 1, 2007:

each non-employee director (who does not serve as chairman of the board) receives an annual retainer of \$25,000 and an annual stock option grant for 17,500 shares of our common stock;

the chairman of the board receives an annual retainer of \$35,000 and an annual stock option grant for 22,500 shares of our common stock;

the chairman of the audit committee receives an additional annual retainer of \$5,000; and

each non-employee director is reimbursed for reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with attendance at board and committee meetings.

Each new non-employee director receives a pro-rated annual retainer and annual stock option grant upon commencement of service on the board. The cash retainers to board members are paid on a quarterly basis in arrears. In the case of continuing directors, the stock option awards are automatically granted on the date of the annual stockholder meeting each year, with all such stock option grants having an exercise price equal to the closing price per share of our common stock as reported on the American Stock Exchange on the last trading day prior to the date of grant. The stock options shall become exercisable in twelve equal monthly installments following the date of grant if such person is still serving as a director at such time. In the event of a change in control, each outstanding non-employee director option will become immediately vested exercisable in full.

The following table illustrates the total compensation for board service to be received by our directors for 2007:

#### 2007 DIRECTOR COMPENSATION FOR BOARD SERVICE

|                          | Fees Earned or    | Stock Option | Value of Option | Total<br>Compensation<br>for Board |
|--------------------------|-------------------|--------------|-----------------|------------------------------------|
| Director                 | Paid in Cash (\$) | Awards (#)   | Awards (\$)1    | Service (\$)                       |
| Non-employee director    | \$ 25,000         | 17,500       | \$ 63,000       | \$ 88,000                          |
| Chairman of the Board    | 35,000            | 22,500       | 81,000          | 116,000                            |
| Audit Committee Chairman | 30,000            | 17,500       | 63,000          | 93,000                             |

Director who is also an employee

During fiscal 2006, our directors were reimbursed for reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred in attending meetings of the board of directors and committee meetings. In addition, our board of directors approved the cash and equity compensation structure as set forth below to be paid to members of the board of directors and committees of the board of directors who were not employees:

the chairman of the board received a quarterly cash retainer of \$5,625; the audit committee chairman received a quarterly cash retainer of \$4,625; and each other non-employee director received a quarterly cash retainer of \$3,750; and

Based on FAS 123R fair value as of December 7, 2006.

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each new non-employee director received an initial stock option grant for 50,000 shares upon commencement of service on the board; the chairman of the board received an annual stock option grant for 37,500 shares; the audit committee chairman received an annual stock option grant for 30,000 shares; and each other continuing non-employee director received an annual stock option grant for 25,000 shares; with all such continuing option grants becoming exercisable in twelve equal monthly installments following the date of grant if the person is still serving as a director at such time.

#### **Director Compensation Table**

The following table sets forth information concerning the compensation earned during the last fiscal year by each individual who served as a non-employee director at any time during the fiscal year:

#### **Director Compensation Table**

#### Fees Earned or

|                      | Pa | id in Cash |     |                        |                      | All Other         | Total      |
|----------------------|----|------------|-----|------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|------------|
| Name                 |    | (1) (\$)   | Opt | ion Awards<br>(2) (\$) | Option Awards<br>(#) | Compensation (\$) | (\$)       |
| Randall L-W. Caudill | \$ | 15,000     | \$  | 109,250                | 25,000               | \$                | \$ 124,250 |
| Reza Fassihi         |    | 15,000     |     | 109,250                | 25,000               | 248,000(3)        | 372,250    |
| Herbert Lucas, Jr.   |    | 18,500     |     | 131,100                | 30,000               |                   | 149,600    |
| Hans Mueller         |    | 15,000     |     | 109,250                | 25,000               |                   | 124,250    |
| Wayne Pines          |    | 15,000     |     | 109,250                | 25,000               |                   | 124,250    |
| Michael Sorell, M.D. |    | 15,000     |     | 109,250                | 25,000               |                   | 124,250    |
| Michael Taglich      |    | 22,500     |     | 163,875                | 37,500               | 241,105(4)        | 427,480    |

- (1) Reflects fees earned and paid in 2006 and does not include payments in January 2006 for the fourth quarter of 2005.
- (2) The grant date fair value for stock options was developed using the Black-Scholes option pricing model in accordance with SFAS No. 123R. The grant date fair values were developed solely for the purpose of comparative disclosure in accordance with Securities and Exchange rules using the same valuation model and assumptions as applied for purposes of our financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2006 and are not intended to predict future performance or future prices of our stock. The ultimate values of these stock options will depend on our future performance and the future market price of our common stock and cannot be forecast with reasonable accuracy.
- (3) Reflects payments of consulting fees of \$4,000 per month and the \$200,000 payment related to amendment of the license agreement with Temple University.
- (4) Reflects expense associated with our advisory services agreement with Mr. Taglich.

On November 4, 2005, we entered into an advisory services agreement with Mr. Taglich under which he agreed to provide such advisory services to us as our chief executive officer or our board of directors may reasonably request from time to time. We will not pay any cash compensation to Mr. Taglich for advisory services under the agreement, but we may reimburse Mr. Taglich for reasonable travel and other out-of-pocket expenses he incurs in connection with providing services. The agreement is for a two year period commencing on November 4, 2005, subject to earlier termination according to the provisions of the agreement.

In connection with the agreement, we granted Mr. Taglich an option to purchase 100,000 shares of our common stock at an exercise price of \$4.61 per share, which represents the last sale price of our common stock as reported on the American Stock Exchange on the date of grant. The option is exercisable for a period of ten years and becomes exercisable in equal monthly installments over a two-year period commencing on December 5, 2005, subject to the following additional restrictions:

If during the first year of service, shares of our common stock have traded on a stock exchange at a price per share in excess of 125% of the exercise price for 30 consecutive trading days, then 50,000 shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of the option will become vested and exercisable.

If during the first year of service, shares of our common stock have not traded on a stock exchange at a price per share in excess of 125% of the exercise price for 30 consecutive trading days, then none of the shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of the option will become vested and exercisable.

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If during the second year of service, shares of our common stock have traded on a stock exchange at a price per share in excess of 150% of the exercise price for 30 consecutive trading days, then all of the shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of the option will become vested and exercisable.

If during the second year of service, shares of our common stock have not traded on a stock exchange at a price per share in excess of 150% of the exercise price for 30 consecutive trading days, then no more than 50,000 shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of the option will become vested and exercisable (assuming the 125% threshold is met as described above).

During 2006, we paid Dr. Fassihi \$48,000 in consulting fees. We entered into a consulting agreement with Dr. Fassihi on December 22, 2000, which has been amended and supplemented by additional services agreements. Under the consulting agreement, we agreed to pay Dr. Fassihi a monthly retainer of \$4,000 and an hourly fee of \$100 (which is credited against the retainer), subject to termination upon 30 days notice by either party. In addition, we are obligated to pay Dr. Fassihi royalties for sales of products relating to certain intellectual property assigned to us by Dr. Fassihi. Under the terms of his consulting agreement, we own any and all intellectual property relating to the services provided under the agreements.

We have agreements with Temple University providing us with exclusive worldwide rights for certain patents related to our Controlled Delivery Technology (CDT®). On July 11, 2006, we completed an amendment to the license agreement with Temple dated September 6, 2000, relating to our rights to U.S. Patent No. 6,090,411. The amendment provides for a reduction in the amount of the royalty for sales of prescription drugs covered by the license as well as a reduction in the annual license maintenance fee payable to Temple University. Under the terms of Temple University s development policy, the inventors of the patent receive 50% of the royalty payments received by the University. In connection with the amendment to the license agreement, we paid \$400,000 in cash to the inventors of the patent, including \$200,000 to Dr. Reza Fassihi, and the inventors agreed to waive their rights to payment of future royalties received by Temple University based on sales of prescription drugs as well as the portion of the annual license maintenance fee attributable to prescription drugs.

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#### **EQUITY COMPENSATION PLAN INFORMATION**

We currently maintain our 2004 equity incentive plan that provides for the issuance of our common stock to officers and other employees, directors and consultants. We also maintain our 1995 stock option plan with respect to options granted under that plan, however, the 1995 plan has terminated and we no longer grant options under that plan. The plans have been approved by our stockholders. The following table sets forth information regarding outstanding options and shares reserved for future issuance under our 2004 plan as of December 31, 2006.

|   |                         |                      | Number of shares            |
|---|-------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|
|   |                         |                      | remaining available for     |
|   | Number of shares to be  | Weighted-average     | future issuance under       |
|   |                         | exercise price       |                             |
|   | Issued upon exercise of | of                   | equity compensation plans   |
|   | Outstanding options,    | outstanding options, | (excluding shares reflected |
|   | warrants and rights     | warrants and rights  | in column (a))              |
|   | warrants and rights     | warrants and rights  | in column (a))              |
| Plan Category                                       | (a)                     | (b)                  | (c)                         |
| Plan Category Equity compensation plans approved by | Ü                       | <u> </u>             |                             |
| U .   | Ü                       | <u> </u>             |                             |
| Equity compensation plans approved by               | (a)                     | (b)                  | (c)                         |
| Equity compensation plans approved by stockholders  | (a)                     | (b)                  | (c)                         |

## 2004 Equity Incentive Plan

*General*. Under the Plan, our employees, consultants, officers and directors may be granted equity-based incentive awards in the form of stock options, stock appreciation rights, stock awards, and performance awards, and directors may receive director fee awards and outside directors will be entitled to automatic grants of stock options.

Authorized Shares. The Plan authorizes the issuance of up to 2,000,000 shares of common stock, plus 350,104 shares which were previously reserved for issuance under the 1995 Stock Option Plan but not subject to outstanding options, and shares of common stock subject to outstanding options under the 1995 Stock Option Plan to the extent shares of common stock are not issued pursuant to such options. If any award expires, lapses or otherwise terminates for any reason without having been exercised or settled in full, or if shares subject to forfeiture or repurchase are forfeited or repurchased us, any such shares that are reacquired or subject to a terminated award will again become available for issuance under the Plan. Appropriate adjustments will be made to the number of shares reserved under the Plan, the share limits affecting incentive stock options, the grant limits and the terms of any outstanding awards in the event of any stock dividend, stock split, reverse stock split, recapitalization or similar change in our capital structure.

Administration. The Plan is administered by our compensation committee. In the case of awards intended to qualify for the performance-based compensation exemption under Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code, administration must be by a committee comprised solely of two or more outside directors within the meaning of Section 162(m). Subject to the provisions of the Plan, the Committee will determine in its discretion the persons to whom and the times at which awards are granted, the types and sizes of awards, and all of their terms and conditions. The Committee may, subject under some circumstances to certain limitations on the exercise of its discretion required by Section 162(m), amend or cancel any award, waive any restrictions or conditions applicable to any award, and accelerate, extend or defer the vesting of any award. The Committee will have the authority to interpret the Plan and awards granted thereunder, and any such interpretation by the Committee will be binding.

*Eligibility.* Awards may be granted to employees, officers, consultants and directors. In addition, awards may be granted to prospective service providers in connection with written employment offers, provided that no

shares subject to any such award may be acquired prior to such person s commencement of service. Incentive stock options may be granted only to employees, and director fee awards and outside director grants may be granted only to members of our board of directors who, as of the time of grant, are not employees.

Stock Options. The Committee may grant incentive stock options within the meaning of Section 422 of the Internal Revenue Code, nonstatutory stock options or any combination thereof. Each option granted under the Plan must be evidenced by a written agreement specifying the number of shares subject to the option and the other terms and conditions of the option, consistent with the requirements of the Plan. Incentive stock options must have an exercise price that is not less than the fair market value of a share of our common stock on the date of grant, while nonstatutory stock options may have an exercise price that is less than fair market value. However, any incentive stock option granted to a person who at the time of grant owns stock possessing more than 10% of the total combined voting power of all classes of our common stock must have an exercise price equal to at least 110% of the fair market value of a share of common stock on the date of grant.

The Plan provides that the option exercise price may be paid in cash, by check, by the assignment of the proceeds of a sale or loan with respect to some or all of the shares being acquired upon the exercise of the option, by tender, to the extent legally permitted, of shares of common stock owned by the optionee having a fair market value not less than the exercise price, or by such other lawful consideration as may be approved by the Committee. No option may be exercised unless the optionee has made adequate provision for federal, state, local and foreign taxes, if any, relating to the exercise of the option, including, if permitted by us, through the optionee surrender of a portion of the option shares.

Options will become vested and exercisable at such times or upon such events and subject to such terms, conditions, performance criteria or restrictions as may be specified by the Committee. The maximum term of an option granted under the Plan is ten years, provided that an incentive stock option granted to a 10% stockholder must have a term not exceeding five years. An option generally will remain exercisable for three months following the optionee s termination of service, unless such termination results from the optionee s death or disability, in which case the option generally will remain exercisable for twelve months following termination, provided that in no case may an option be exercised after its expiration date.

Incentive stock options are not transferable by the optionee other than by will or by the laws of descent and distribution, and are exercisable during the optionee s lifetime only by the optionee. Nonstatutory stock options granted under the Plan may be assigned or transferred to the extent permitted by the Committee and set forth in the option agreement.

Stock Appreciation Rights. A Stock Appreciation Right (SAR) entitles the holder thereof to receive, for each share as to which the award is granted payment of an amount, in cash, shares of common stock, or a combination thereof, as determined by the Committee, equal in value to the excess of the fair market value of a share of common stock on the date of exercise over an exercise price as determined by the Committee. SARs may be granted in tandem with an option or on a stand-alone basis. SARs are exercisable at such times, and subject to such conditions, as the Committee may prescribe at the time of granting such award, provided that a SAR granted in tandem with a stock option can only be exercised to the extent that the related option is itself exercisable. The grant shall specify the number of shares of common stock as to which the SAR is granted.

The Committee shall determine and set forth in the participant s award agreement, evidencing the SAR, the effect of the termination of the participant s service on the SAR. SARs may not be assigned or transferred other than by will or the laws of descent and distribution.

Stock Awards. Awards of restricted stock may be granted by the Committee subject to such vesting restrictions for such periods as may be determined by the Committee and set forth in a written agreement. Restricted stock may not be sold or otherwise transferred or pledged until the restrictions lapse or are terminated. Restrictions may lapse in full or in installments on the basis of the participant s continued service or other

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factors, such as performance criteria established by the Committee. Participants holding restricted stock will have the right to vote the shares and to receive all dividends and other distributions, except that any dividends or other distributions paid in shares will be subject to the same restrictions as the original award. Unless otherwise provided by the Committee, upon a participant s termination of service, the participant will forfeit any shares of restricted stock as to which the restrictions have not lapsed.

Performance Awards. The Committee may grant performance awards subject to such conditions and the attainment of such performance goals over such periods as may be determined by the Committee and set forth in a written agreement. These awards may be designated as performance shares or performance units. Performance shares and performance units are unfunded bookkeeping entries generally having initial values equal to the fair market value of a share of common stock determined on the grant date, in the case of performance shares, and \$100 per unit, in the case of performance units. Performance awards will specify a predetermined amount of performance shares or performance units that may be earned by the participant to the extent that one or more predetermined performance goals are attained within a predetermined performance period. To the extent earned, performance awards may be settled in cash, shares of common stock (including shares of restricted stock) or any combination thereof.

The Committee will establish one or more performance goals applicable to the award. Performance goals will be based on the attainment of specified target levels with respect to one or more measures of business or financial performance as may be selected by the Committee. The Committee, in its discretion, may base performance goals on one or more of the following measures: revenue, operating income, pre-tax profit, net income, gross margin, operating margin, earnings per share, return on stockholder equity, return on capital, return on net assets, economic value added and cash flow. The target levels with respect to these performance measures may be expressed on an absolute basis or relative to a standard specified by the Committee. The degree of attainment of performance measures will, according to criteria established by the Committee, be computed before the effect of changes in accounting standards, restructuring charges and similar extraordinary items occurring after the establishment of the performance goals applicable to a performance award.

Following completion of the applicable performance period, the Committee will certify in writing the extent to which the applicable performance goals have been attained and the resulting value to be paid to the participant. In the event we pay cash dividends on our common stock, the Committee may provide for the payment of dividend equivalents to a participant awarded performance shares. Performance award payments may be made in lump sum or in installments. If any payment is to be made on a deferred basis, the Committee may provide for the payment of dividend equivalents or interest during the deferral period.

The Committee will determine, in its sole discretion, and include in the applicable award agreement, the effect of a participant s termination of service prior to completion of the applicable performance period. No performance award may be sold or transferred other than by will or the laws of descent and distribution prior to the end of the applicable performance period.

Grant Limits. No employee may be granted under the Plan, during any fiscal year, (a) options to purchase more than five hundred thousand shares of common stock, (b) 300,000 shares of restricted stock on which the restrictions are based on performance goals, as described under Performance Awards above, (c) performance shares that could result in the employee receiving more than 300,000 shares of common stock or (d) performance units that could result in the employee receiving more than \$2,500,000. The grant limits are intended to permit compensation received by certain executive officers in connection with certain awards granted under the Plan to qualify as performance-based compensation under section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code. Performance-based compensation is not counted toward the limit on the amount of executive compensation that public companies are permitted to deduct for federal income tax purposes under Section 162(m).

Change in Control. The Plan defines a change in control as any of the following events upon which our stockholders immediately before the event do not retain immediately after the event, in substantially the same proportions as their ownership of shares of our voting stock immediately before the event, direct or indirect

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beneficial ownership of a majority of the total combined voting power of our voting securities, our successor or the corporation to which our assets were transferred: (i) a sale or exchange by the stockholders in a single or series of related transactions of more than 50% of our voting stock; (ii) a merger or consolidation in which we are a party; (iii) the sale, exchange or transfer of all or substantially all of our assets; or (iv) our liquidation or dissolution. In the event of a change in control, the surviving, continuing, successor or purchasing corporation or other business entity or parent thereof may either assume all outstanding awards or substitute new awards having an equivalent value. Any options which are neither assumed nor substituted nor exercised as of the change in control terminate; provided that the Committee may provide otherwise in an award agreement. Any option not assumed, replaced or exercised prior to the change in control will terminate upon the change in control. The Plan authorizes the Committee, in its discretion, to provide in any award agreement that if, within a period following a change in control specified by the Committee, the participant service is involuntarily terminated without cause or the participant resigns for certain reasons as specified in the Plan, then the exercisability, vesting and payment of such participant services out of the outstanding award is an option, will remain exercisable for six months (or such other period specified by the Committee) following the date of the participant sermination of service (but not beyond the expiration of the option sterm).

Termination or Amendment. The Committee may terminate or amend the Plan at any time. However, subject to changes in applicable law, regulations or rules that would permit otherwise, without the approval of our stockholders, the Committee may not (i) increase the maximum aggregate number of shares of common stock that may be issued under the (except in the case of stock splits, etc.), (ii) change the class of persons eligible to receive incentive stock options, or (iii) make any other amendment that would require the approval of our stockholders under applicable law, regulation or rule. No termination or amendment of the Plan will affect any then outstanding award unless expressly provided by the Committee, unless such termination or amendment is required to enable an option designated an incentive stock option to qualify as an incentive stock option or is necessary to comply with any applicable law, regulation or rule.

The Plan will continue in effect until the earlier of its termination by the Committee or the date on which all shares of common stock available for issuance under the Plan have been issued and all restrictions on such shares under the terms of the Plan and the agreements evidencing awards granted under the Plan have lapsed.

#### **Compensation Committee Report**

The compensation committee of the board of directors of SCOLR Pharma has reviewed and discussed the Compensation Discussion and Analysis contained in this proxy statement with management. Based on such review and discussion, we have recommended to the board of directors that the Compensation Discussion and Analysis be included in this proxy statement and in SCOLR Pharma s annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2006.

THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE

Randall L-W. Caudill.

Herbert Lucas, Jr.

Wayne L. Pines

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#### RELATED PERSON TRANSACTIONS

#### **Procedures for Approval of Related Person Transactions**

Pursuant to our code of business conduct and ethics, our directors, officers and employees are encouraged to avoid situations in which their personal, family or financial interests conflict or even appear to conflict with those of SCOLR Pharma. Our audit committee charter provides that the audit committee shall review and approve any related-party transactions, after reviewing each such transaction for potential conflicts of interests and other improprieties.

#### **Related Person Transactions**

We have entered into an advisory services agreement with Mr. Taglich, a member of our board of directors, described above under the caption Director Compensation.

Since the beginning of fiscal 2006, we were a party to certain transactions with Taglich Brothers, Inc. Mr. Taglich, a member of our board of directors, and his brother, Robert Taglich, are affiliates of Taglich Brothers, Inc. On March 8, 2006, we entered into an engagement letter with Roth Capital Partners and Taglich Brothers to act as placement agents in connection with the sale of up to \$40 million of our common stock. The engagement letter provides that the placement agents would receive a fee equal to 6% of the gross proceeds to us and five year warrants to purchase up to 30,000 shares of our common stock at a price equal to 150% of the offering price. On April 21, 2006, we closed a registered direct offering of 2,370,100 shares of our common stock at \$5.00 per share for gross proceeds of \$11,850,500. We paid the placement agents \$711,030 in cash and issued warrants to purchase 11,000 shares of common stock at \$7.50 per share, exercisable for five years. Of the amount paid to the placement agents, Taglich Brothers, Inc. received \$511,030 in cash and warrants to purchase 5,500 shares of common stock.

We have entered into a consulting agreement with Dr. Fassihi, a member of our board of directors, described above under the caption Compensation of Directors. Dr. Fassihi also assigned us all of his right, title and interest in and to the technology known as oral extended release dosage form based on the principle of controlled hydration on May 24, 2001. We paid a fee to Dr. Fassihi in connection with execution of this assignment agreement and an additional fee upon issuance of Patent No. 6,517,868. Dr. Fassihi assigned all of his right, title and interest in the technology known as multiple compressed asymmetric composite delivery system for release-rate modulation of bioactives to us on August 1, 2002. We paid Dr. Fassihi \$50,000 in connection with execution of this assignment agreement and filing of the patent and agreed to pay an additional fee upon issuance of the first patent. We are obligated to pay Dr. Fassihi an annual license maintenance fee, share in upfront payments from customers and pay royalties based on product sales with respect to the intellectual property assigned to us under each agreement.

We entered into two license agreements with Temple University pursuant to which we obtained exclusive worldwide rights to two patents issued to Temple University which listed Dr. Fassihi as one of the inventors. Under the terms of Temple University s development policy, the inventors receive 50% of the royalty payments received by the University. As a result of these arrangements, we estimate that Dr. Fassihi received approximately \$35,000 of the royalties paid to Temple during 2006. On July 11, 2006, we completed an amendment to the license agreement with Temple dated September 6, 2000, relating to the Company s rights to U.S. Patent No. 6,090,411 (salt patent). The amendment provides for a reduction in the amount of the royalty for sales of prescription drugs covered by the license as well as a reduction in the annual license maintenance fee payable to Temple University. Under the terms of Temple University s development policy, the inventors of the patent receive 50% of the royalty payments received by the University. In connection with the amendment to the license agreement, we paid \$400,000 in cash to the inventors of the patent, including \$200,000 to Dr. Reza Fassihi and the inventors agreed to waive their rights to payment of future royalties received by Temple University based on sales of prescription drugs as well as the portion of the annual license maintenance fee attributable to prescription drugs.

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In March 2002, we entered into an exclusive patent license agreement with Archer Daniels Midland Company (ADM). Under the terms of the agreement, we granted ADM a license to manufacture, use, and sell certain nutraceutical products covered by certain patents owned or licensed by the Company. On August 10, 2006, we entered into an amended and restated amendment to its exclusive patent license agreement with ADM which limits the license granted to ADM to isoflavone products. The amended agreement provides ADM with the worldwide, exclusive right to use certain of our technology for isoflavone products (as defined in the agreement) on a royalty free basis. The amendment also eliminates rights of first refusal and other rights previously granted to ADM. We believe the amended agreement will facilitate the introduction of additional dietary supplement products through its alliance with the Perrigo Company of South Carolina. In connection with the amendment, we paid ADM \$200,000 and agreed to pay an additional \$250,000 at the earlier of one year or the completion of a qualified securities offering. Perrigo reimbursed us for \$50,000 of the payment to ADM and has agreed to reimburse us for an additional \$50,000 of the remaining payment. During the years ended December 31, 2006, 2005, and 2004, we recorded royalty revenues under this agreement of \$3,540, \$36,601, and \$72,901 respectively. ADM previously reported ownership of approximately 5% of our outstanding common stock. During February 2007, ADM reported that it had reduced its ownership to less than 5% of our outstanding stock.

#### PRINCIPAL STOCKHOLDERS AND STOCK OWNERSHIP BY MANAGEMENT

The following table sets forth, as of April 1, 2007, certain information regarding the beneficial ownership of SCOLR Pharma common stock by:

each shareholder known by us to be the beneficial owner of 5% or more of our common stock;

each director and nominee for our board of directors;

each executive officer whom compensation information is given in the summary compensation table in this proxy statement; and

all of our directors and executive officers as a group.

To our knowledge, except as otherwise indicated, the persons named in this table have sole voting and investment power with respect to all shares of common stock shown as beneficially owned by them, subject to community property laws where applicable and to the information contained in the footnotes to this table.

| Name of Beneficial Owner                                     | Number of Shares<br>Beneficially<br>Owned(1) | Percent of<br>Common<br>Stock(2) |
|--|--|----------------------------------|
| Daniel O. Wilds  | 532,184                                      | 1.38%                            |
| Randall L-W. Caudill   | 188,426                                      | *                                |
| Herbert L. Lucas   | 1,001,072                                    | 2.56%                            |
| Dr. Reza Fassihi   | 131,317                                      | *                                |
| Hans Mueller   | 75,000                                       | *                                |
| Wayne L. Pines   | 111,926                                      | *                                |
| Michael Sorell, M.D.   | 106,250                                      | *                                |
| Michael N. Taglich(3)  | 793,352                                      | 2.04%                            |
| Alan M. Mitchel  | 179,720                                      | *                                |
| Richard M. Levy  | 98,626                                       | *                                |
| Stephen J. Turner  | 230,000                                      | *                                |
| All directors and executive officers as a group (11 persons) | 3,447,873                                    | 8.93%                            |

<sup>\*</sup> Less than 1%.

<sup>(1)</sup> Except as otherwise indicated, the persons named in this table have sole voting and investment power with respect to all shares of common stock shown as beneficially owned by them. The number of shares of common stock shown as beneficially owned by the persons named in this table includes common stock underlying options and warrants exercisable within 60 days of April 1, 2007 as follows:

|                          | Number of        |
|--------------------------|------------------|
| Name of Beneficial Owner | Options/Warrants |
| Daniel O. Wilds          | 485,184          |
| Randall L-W. Caudill     | 182,426          |
| Herbert L. Lucas         | 308,676          |
| Dr. Reza Fassihi         | 81,250           |
| Hans Mueller             | 75,000           |
| Wayne L. Pines           | 109,926          |
| Michael Sorell, M.D.     | 106,250          |
| Michael N. Taglich       | 325,067          |
| Alan M. Mitchel          | 177,220          |
|                          |                  |

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| Stephen J. Turner | 223,000 |
|-------------------|---------|
| Richard M. Levy   | 84,026  |

(2) The percentage of common stock is calculated on the basis of 38,125,146 shares of common stock outstanding as of April 1, 2007, except that shares of common stock subject to options or warrants currently

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- exercisable, or exercisable within 60 days of April 1, 2007, are deemed outstanding for computing the percentage ownership of the person holding the options or warrants but are not deemed outstanding for computing the percentage ownership of any other person.
- (3) Michael N. Taglich is the General Partner of a partnership that beneficially owns 40,000 shares of common stock and warrants to purchase 10,000 shares of common stock. Mr. Taglich disclaims beneficial ownership of the common stock owned by such partnership except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein. Also includes beneficial ownership of warrants to purchase 7,000 shares of common stock held by Taglich Brothers, Inc. Michael N. Taglich is a stockholder and executive officer of Taglich Brothers, Inc.

## SECTION 16(a) BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP REPORTING COMPLIANCE

Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 requires our executive officers, directors and persons who beneficially own more than 10% of our common stock to file initial reports of ownership and reports of changes in ownership with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Such persons are required by SEC regulations to furnish with us copies of all Section 16(a) forms they file.

Based solely on our review of the copies of such reports furnished to us and written representations by certain reporting persons regarding their compliance with the applicable reporting requirements we believe that, during 2006, all filing requirements applicable to our executive officers, directors and greater-than-10% stockholders were complied with, except that Mr. Taglich filed one late report with respect to one transaction, and Dr. Fassihi filed four late reports with respect to six transactions.

#### STOCKHOLDER PROPOSALS TO BE PRESENTED

#### AT NEXT ANNUAL MEETING

Stockholder proposals may be included in our proxy materials for an annual meeting so long as they are provided to us on a timely basis and satisfy the other conditions set forth in applicable SEC rules. For a stockholder proposal to be included in our proxy materials for the 2008 annual meeting, the proposal must be received at our principal executive offices, addressed to the Secretary, not later than January 7, 2008. Stockholder business that is not intended for inclusion in our proxy materials may be brought before the annual meeting so long as we receive notice of the proposal, addressed to the Secretary at our principal executive offices, not less than seventy-five (75) days nor more than ninety (90) days prior to the meeting; *provided*, *however*, that in the event less than ninety (90) days notice or prior public disclosure of the date of the meeting is given or made to stockholders, notice must be so received by the Secretary not later than the close of business on the fifteenth (15th) day following the day on which such notice of meeting was mailed or such public disclosure was made, whichever occurs first.

#### TRANSACTION OF OTHER BUSINESS

At the date of this proxy statement, the board of directors knows of no other business that will be conducted at the 2007 annual meeting other than as described in this proxy statement. If any other matter or matters are properly brought before the meeting, or any adjournment or postponement of the meeting, it is the intention of the persons named in the accompanying form of proxy to vote the proxy on such matters in accordance with their best judgment.

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#### ANNUAL REPORT TO STOCKHOLDERS AND FORM 10-K

Our 2006 annual report (which is not a part of our proxy soliciting materials) is being mailed to stockholders with this proxy statement. Our annual report on Form 10-K for fiscal 2006 and the exhibits filed with it are available at our web site at www.scolr.com/financial.html. Upon request by any stockholder to the following address, a copy of the annual report on Form 10-K, without exhibits, will be furnished without charge, and a copy of any or all exhibits will be furnished for a fee which will not exceed our reasonable expenses in furnishing the exhibits:

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By order of the Board of Directors

Daniel O. Wilds
President and Chief Executive Officer

May 4, 2007

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