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**Prospectus Supplement** 

(To prospectus dated May 11, 2011)

#### Shares of Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share

This prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus relate to the offering for sale of 10,000,000 shares of our common stock. You should carefully read this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, together with the documents we incorporate by reference, before you invest in any shares of our common stock.

Our common stock is listed on The Nasdaq Capital Market under the symbol "RPTP." The last reported sale price of our common stock on the Nasdaq Capital Market on September 7, 2011 was \$4.35 per share.

This investment involves a high degree of risk. See "Risk Factors" beginning on page S-6 of this prospectus supplement and in our periodic reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission and incorporated by reference herein for a discussion of the material risks you should consider before making an investment in our common stock.

	Per	Share	Total
Public offering price	\$	4.00	\$40,000,000
Underwriting discounts and commissions	\$	0.24	\$ 2,400,000
Proceeds, before expenses, to us	\$	3.76	\$37,600,000

We have granted the underwriters a 30-day option to purchase up to an additional 1,500,000 shares of our common stock to cover over-allotments, if any, at the public offering price per share, less underwriting discounts and commissions. If the underwriters exercise the option in full, the total underwriting discounts and commissions payable by us will be \$2,760,000 and the total proceeds to us, before expenses, will be \$43,240,000.

The underwriters expect to deliver the shares of common stock offered by this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus to purchasers on or about September 13, 2011.

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

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The date of this prospectus supplement is September 8, 2011

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This document has two parts. The first part is this prospectus supplement, which describes the terms of the offering and certain other matters relating to us. This first part also adds to and updates information contained in the accompanying prospectus and the documents incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus. The second part, the accompanying prospectus, gives more general information about our company and securities we may offer from time to time under our shelf registration statement, some of which may not apply to this offering. If the information varies between this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, you should rely on the information in this prospectus supplement.

You should read this entire document, including the prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus and the documents incorporated by reference herein that are described under "Where You Can Find More Information" before making your investment decision. You should rely only on the information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. We have not authorized anyone to provide information different from that contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus. You should not assume that the information appearing in this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus, or information we previously filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or the SEC or the Commission, and incorporated by reference herein is accurate as of any date other than their respective dates, even though this prospectus supplement and any accompanying prospectus is delivered or shares of our common stock are sold on a later date. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects may have changed since those dates. These documents do not constitute an offer to sell or solicitation of any offer to buy our shares of common stock in any circumstances under which the offer or solicitation is unlawful.

Unless we have indicated otherwise, or the context otherwise requires, the information presented in this prospectus supplement assumes no exercise of the underwriter's over-allotment option.

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#### FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

In this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, in other filings with the SEC and in press releases and other public statements by our officers throughout the year, we make or will make statements that plan for or anticipate the future. These "forward-looking statements," within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, as amended, include statements about our future business plans and strategies, as well as other statements that are not historical in nature. These forward-looking statements are based on our current expectations.

In some cases, these statements can be identified by the use of terminology such as "believes," "expects," "anticipates," "plans," "may," "might," "will," "could," "should," "would," "projects," "anticipates," "predicts," "intends," "continues," "e "opportunity" or the negative of these terms or other comparable terminology. All such statements, other than statements of historical facts, including our financial condition, future results of operation, projected revenues and expenses, business strategies, operating efficiencies or synergies, competitive positions, growth opportunities for existing intellectual properties, technologies, products, plans, and objectives of management, markets for our securities, and other matters, are about us and our industry that involve substantial risks and uncertainties and constitute forward-looking statements for the purpose of the safe harbor provided by Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Act, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or the Exchange Act. Such forward-looking statements, wherever they occur, are necessarily estimates reflecting the best judgment of our senior management on the date on which they were made, or if no date is stated, as of the date of the filing made with the SEC in which such statements were made. You should not place undue reliance on these statements, which only reflect information available as of the date that they were made. Our business' actual operations, performance, development and results might differ materially from any forward-looking statement due to various known and unknown risks, uncertainties, assumptions and contingencies, including those described in the section titled "Risk Factors," and including, but not limited to, the following:

- our need for, and our ability to obtain, additional funds;
- uncertainties relating to clinical trials and regulatory reviews;
- our dependence on a limited number of therapeutic compounds;
- the early stage of the products we are developing;

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- the acceptance of any of our future products by physicians and patients;
- competition and dependence on collaborative partners;
- loss of key management or scientific personnel;
- our ability to obtain adequate intellectual property protection and to enforce these rights;
  - our ability to avoid infringement of the intellectual property rights of others; and
    - the other factors and risks described under the section captioned "Risk Factors" as well as other factors not identified therein.

Although we believe that the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements are reasonable, the factors discussed in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, in other filings with the SEC and in press releases and other public statements by our officers throughout the year, could cause actual results or outcomes to differ materially and/or adversely from those expressed in any forward-looking statements made by us or on our behalf, and therefore we cannot guarantee future results, levels of activity, performance or achievements and you should not place undue reliance on any such forward-looking statements. We cannot give you any assurance that such forward-looking statements will prove to be accurate and such forward-looking events may not occur. In light of the significant uncertainties inherent in such forward-looking statements, you should not regard the inclusion of this information as a representation by us or any other person that the results or conditions described in those statements or our objectives and plans will be achieved.

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# PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

This summary highlights selected information concerning our business and this offering of shares of our common stock. It is not complete and does not contain all of the information that may be important to you and your investment decision. The following summary is qualified in its entirety by the more detailed information and consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included elsewhere or incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. You should carefully read this entire prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, including the information incorporated by reference herein, and should consider, among other things, the matters set forth in "Risk Factors" before making an investment decision. References to the terms "Raptor", and "we," "us," "our" or similar terms, refer to Raptor Pharmaceutical Corp. and its wholly-owned subsidiaries on a consolidated basis, unless we state or the context implies otherwise.

#### Overview

We believe that we are building a balanced pipeline of drug candidates that may expand the reach and benefit of existing therapeutics. Our product portfolio includes both candidates from our proprietary drug targeting platforms and in-licensed and acquired product candidates.

Our current pipeline includes three clinical development programs, which we are actively developing. We also have two other clinical-stage product candidates, one of which we are seeking additional Asian business development partners but are not actively developing, and we have three preclinical product candidates we are developing, two of which are based upon our proprietary drug-targeting platforms.

Clinical Development Programs

Our three active clinical development programs are based on an existing therapeutic that we are reformulating for potential improvement in safety and/or efficacy and for application in new disease indications. These clinical development programs include the following:

 $\cdot$  DR Cysteamine, or RP103, for the potential treatment of nephropathic cystinosis, or cystinosis, a rare genetic disorder;

 $\cdot$  DR Cysteamine, or RP104, for the potential treatment of non-alcoholic steatohepatitis, or NASH, a metabolic disorder of the liver; and

 $\cdot$  RP103 for the potential treatment of Huntington's Disease, or HD, an inherited neurodegenerative disorder.

RP103 is our proprietary delayed-release formulation of cysteamine bitartrate in capsules, which may require less frequent dosing and reduce gastro-intestinal side effects compared to the current standard of care. RP104 is our proprietary delayed-release formulation of cysteamine bitartrate in tablets.

Other Clinical-Stage Product Candidates

Our other clinical-stage product candidates include:

· Convivia<sup>TM</sup> for the potential management of acetaldehyde toxicity due to alcohol consumption by individuals with aldehyde dehydrogenase, or ALDH2 deficiency, an

inherited metabolic disorder; and

 $\cdot$  Tezampanel, a glutamate receptor antagonist for the potential treatment of thrombosis disorder.

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### Preclinical Product Candidates

Our preclinical platforms consist of targeted therapeutics, which we are developing for the potential treatment of multiple indications, including liver diseases, neurodegenerative diseases and breast cancer. These preclinical programs include the following:

 $\cdot$  Our receptor-associated protein, or RAP, platform consists of: HepTide<sup>TM</sup> for the potential treatment of primary liver cancer and other liver diseases; and NeuroTrans<sup>TM</sup> to potentially deliver therapeutics across the blood-brain barrier for treatment of a variety of neurological diseases.

 $\cdot$  Our mesoderm development protein, or Mesd, platform consists of WntTide<sup>TM</sup> for the potential treatment of breast cancer.

#### Future Activities

Over the next 12 months, we plan to conduct research and development and general and administrative activities including: pre-commercial preparation for the potential launch of RP103 for the treatment of cystinosis in the United States and Europe; supporting our ongoing extension study of RP103 in cystinosis; supporting the ongoing clinical trial of RP103 in HD; funding a potential collaboration of a clinical trial of RP104 in NASH; funding a potential collaboration of a clinical trial of RP104 in VASH; funding a potential collaboration of a clinical trial of RP104 in VASH; funding a potential clinical trial of tezampanel as a potential anti-thrombotic agent; continued development of our preclinical product candidates; and supporting associated facilities and administrative functions. We plan to seek additional Asian business development partners for our Convivia<sup>™</sup> product candidate. We may also develop future in-licensed technologies and acquired technologies.

#### **Recent Developments**

On July 25, 2011, we announced that our Phase 3 clinical trial of RP103 for the treatment of nephropathic cystinosis, met the sole primary endpoint of non-inferiority compared to Cystagon®, immediate-release cysteamine bitartrate. The comparison was based on white blood cell, or WBC, cystine levels, the established efficacy surrogate biomarker and sole primary endpoint in the clinical trial. There were no unexpected safety concerns experienced by patients in the trial attributable to RP103.

Our pivotal Phase 3 clinical trial was designed as an outpatient study of the pharmacodynamics, pharmacokinetics, safety and tolerability of RP103 compared to Cystagon® in cystinosis patients. The clinical trial was conducted at eight clinical research centers in the United States and Europe.

Of 41 patients who completed the Phase 3 protocol, 38 were included in the evaluable data set, 3 not being fully compliant with the protocol due to the fact that their WBC cystine levels went above 2.0 while on Cystagon® during the trial. The age range of study participants was 6-26 years, with 87% of patients below 16 years old. On average, the peak WBC cystine level measured in patients treated with Cystagon® was  $0.54 \pm 0.05$  nmol ½ cystine/mg protein, compared to an average peak value of  $0.62 \pm 0.05$  nmol ½ cystine/mg protein for patients treated with RP103. The mean difference was 0.08 nmol ½ cystine/mg protein, with a 95.8% confidence interval of 0.00-0.16 (one sided p=0.021). As stipulated in our Statistical Analysis Plan, the non-inferiority endpoint of the clinical trial would be achieved when the upper end of the confidence interval around the mean difference of WBC cystine levels did not exceed an absolute value of 0.3. The upper end of the confidence interval in the Phase 3 clinical trial was determined to be 0.16, thus achieving the non-inferiority endpoint.

Additionally, the endpoint was achieved at a lower average daily dose of RP103, compared to Cystagon®. Patients enrolled in the study were required to be "well controlled" under the existing Cystagon® therapy. The starting dose of RP103 for patients in the Phase 3 clinical trial was initially set at 70% of their established dose of Cystagon®. The

protocol allowed for a single RP103 dose increase of 25%, based on intermediate WBC cystine level results, to reflect the current standard of care in establishing appropriate dosing of Cystagon® in cystinosis patients. Approximately one-third of patients remained at 70% of their starting Cystagon® dose throughout the study. The remaining two-thirds of the patients had their RP103 dose increased. On average, the total daily, steady-state dose of RP103 in patients in the Phase 3 clinical trial was 82% of their established, incoming dose of Cystagon®.

In the course of the study, no unexpected safety issues were experienced. Seven serious adverse events, or SAEs, requiring a visit to the emergency room or hospital, were reported for seven individual patients. Of these seven SAEs, six were determined by the principal investigator to be unrelated to either RP103 or Cystagon®. One SAE, gastric intolerance, was graded as "possibly related" to RP103 and was subsequently resolved and the patient returned on RP103 treatment. The most frequently reported non-serious adverse events, or AEs, in the study were gastric intolerance symptoms. Fifty-three AEs were scored as "possibly" or "probably" related to either study drug, and forty-three of fifty-three of the drug related AEs were scored as gastric intolerance symptoms.

We are conducting an ongoing, extension study in which all patients completing the Phase 3 clinical trial may elect to continue on RP103 treatment and are monitored for WBC cystine levels and safety parameters. The extension study will provide at least six months of safety data for each patient and will be part of our New Drug Application filing. Thirty-two patients have been on RP103 in the extension study for at least 6 months. We plan to submit our Phase 3 clinical trial data for publication in the coming months.

In a related clinical trial, we demonstrated bioequivalence between RP103 administered as whole capsules and administered as capsule contents sprinkled onto applesauce. As a significant number of cystinosis patients are too young to take whole capsules, this result may enable us to expand enrollment in the extension study to patients who are too young to swallow whole capsules and were therefore ineligible for the pivotal Phase 3 clinical trial protocol.

With respect to RP103 for the treatment of cystinosis, we expect to file a new drug application with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, or FDA, and a marketing authorization application with the European Medicines Agency in the first quarter of 2012.

On July 6, 2011, we announced that the United States Patent and Trademark Office, or USPTO, has issued Notices of Allowance for two patents covering our delayed-release oral formulation of cysteamine bitartrate, or DR Cysteamine, as well as other formulations of cystamine and cysteamine as described below.

U.S. Patent Application No.:	11/990,869
Issued Notice of Allowance:	June 27, 2011
Patent Title:	"Enterically Coated Cystamine,
	Cysteamine and Derivatives Thereof."
Expected to Cover:	Methods of administering DR Cysteamine
	to patients for any clinical indication,
	including nephropathic cystinosis, NASH
	and HD
Expected Initial Term:	20 years plus 239 days of patent term
	adjustment;
	expiring September 22, 2027

Patent application 11/990,869 covers the use of any composition of cysteamine or cystamine, regardless of the specific formulation, that provides increased delivery to the small intestine with pharmacokinetic benefits that allow for less than 4 times daily dosing.

U.S. Patent Application No.:	12/745,504
Issued Notice of Allowance:	June 24, 2011
Patent Title:	"Methods of Treating Non-Alcoholic
	Steatohepatitis ("NASH") Using Cysteamine
	Products."
Expected to Cover:	

Methods of treating NASH by administering cysteamine or cystamine 20 years; expiring November 22, 2028

Expected Initial Term:

Patent application 12/745,504 covers the use of cysteamine or cystamine, in any formulation, for the treatment of NASH.

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In addition, we anticipate reaching full enrollment for our Phase 2 clinical trial with respect to the study of RP103 in patients with Huntington's Disease in the fourth quarter of 2011 and we anticipate releasing the top-line Phase 2 clinical trial data in the middle of 2013.

With respect to RP104 for the potential treatment of NASH, we expect to submit an investigational new drug application with the FDA by the end of 2011. We also anticipate initiating our Phase 2b clinical trial for RP104 for the potential treatment of NASH in the first quarter of 2012 and releasing the top-line Phase 2b clinical trial data in the second half of 2013.

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The Offering

The following summary contains basic information about this offering of our common stock, and it is not intended to be complete. It does not contain all of the information that is important to you. For a more complete understanding of our common stock, please refer to the section of this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus titled, "Description of Securities We are Offering".

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Raptor Pharmaceutical Corp.