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(Mark One)

(X) ANNUAL REPORT UNDER SECTION 13 OR 15 (d)
OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2002
Or

() TRANSITIONAL REPORT UNDER SECTION 13 OR 15 (d)
OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the transition period from _____ to _____
Commission file number 0-26775

Samaritan Pharmaceuticals Inc.
(Name of small business issuer in its charter)

Nevada 88-0431538
(State or other jurisdiction of (I.R.S. Employer
Incorporation or organization) Identification No.)

101 Convention Center Drive, Suite 310, Las Vegas, Nevada 89109
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(702) 735-7001
Issuer's telephone number

Securities to be registered Pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:
None

Securities Registered Pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Exchange Act:
Common Stock, \$.001 par value per share
(Title of class)

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

Check if there is no disclosure of delinquent filers in response to Item 405 of Regulation S-B is not contained in this form, and no disclosure will be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-KSB or any amendment to this Form 10-KSB.

The registrant had no revenues in the fiscal year ended December 31, 2002.

The aggregate market value of the issued voting and non-voting common equity held by non-affiliates computed by reference to the average bid and asked price of such common stock, as of February 7, 2003, was approximately \$8,185,750 based upon, as a reasonable assumption, that the issuer's shareholders list, standing alone, supplies an accurate presentation of those shareholders who are non affiliates, determined by the issuer to be those persons who are not officers, Directors or owners of 10% or more of the common stock. The company had 64,555,960 common shares issued and outstanding as of February 7, 2003.

Transitional Small Business Disclosure Format (Check one): Yes___ No

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This annual report contains forward-looking statements. These statements relate to future events or Samaritan Pharmaceutical's future financial performance. In some cases, you can identify forward-looking statements by terminology such as "may," "will," "should," "expect," "plan," "intend," "anticipates," "believes," "estimates," "predicts," "potential," or "continue," the negative of these terms or other comparable terminology. These statements are only predictions. Actual events or results may differ materially. In evaluating these statements, you should specifically consider various factors, including the risks outlined in "Risk Factors." These Factors may cause Samaritan Pharmaceuticals, Inc.'s actual results, to differ materially from any forward-looking statement.

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Although Samaritan Pharmaceuticals, Inc. believes that the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements are reasonable, Samaritan Pharmaceuticals, Inc. cannot guarantee future results, events, levels of activity, performance, or achievements. Moreover, neither Samaritan Pharmaceuticals, Inc. nor any other person assumes responsibility for the accuracy and completeness of these forward-looking statements. Samaritan Pharmaceuticals, Inc. does not assume any obligation to update any of the forward-looking statements after the date of this report to conform such statements to actual results or to changes in Samaritan's expectations.

PART I

Item 1. Description of Business.

Overview

Samaritan was formed in March 1996 and became public in October 1997. Our principal executive offices are located at 101 Convention Center Drive, Suite 310, Las Vegas, NV 89109, and our telephone number is (702)735-7001.

Samaritan Pharmaceuticals, Inc. is a development stage biotechnology company engaged in the research and development of novel therapeutic and diagnostic products to treat chronic debilitating diseases such as Alzheimer's, Cancer, central nervous system ("CNS") disorders, cardiovascular disease and HIV.

Our overall corporate strategy is to build a robust technology pipeline by 1. In-licensing early-stage patented technologies from Academic Research Centers, 2. Focus on the discovery and the development of new drug compounds and technology to add to our pipeline at Samaritan Laboratories, in collaboration with Georgetown University.

Competition

The biotechnology and biopharmaceutical industries are characterized by rapidly advancing technologies, intense competition and a strong emphasis on proprietary products. Many entities, including pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies, academic institutions and other research organizations are actively engaged in the discovery and research and development of products that could compete directly with our products under development.

Many companies, including major pharmaceutical companies, are also developing alternative therapies that may compete with our products in our research fields. These competitors may succeed in developing and marketing products that are more effective than or marketed before ours.

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Virtually all of our competitors have significantly greater financial resources and expertise in research and development, manufacturing, preclinical testing, conducting clinical trials, obtaining regulatory approvals and marketing. Others have partnered with large established companies in order to obtain access to these resources. Smaller companies may also prove to be significant competitors, particularly through the establishment of collaborative arrangements with large, established companies.

Our ability to commercialize our products and compete effectively will depend, in large part, on:

-- Our success in discovering and developing innovative products that serve

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unmet medical needs that are cost effective;

- Our ability to advance through clinical trials, gain acceptance from the FDA and other regulatory agencies and to successfully manufacture and market these products;
- The margins of our products relative to other products or competing treatments;
- The ability to gain reimbursement status from appropriate government agencies, insurers and other third-parties;
- The effectiveness of our sales and marketing efforts and those of our partners;
- The perception by physicians and other members of the health care community of the safety, efficacy and benefits of our products compared to those of competing products or therapies;
- Favorable publicity directly or indirectly relating to our products and technology.

Competition among products approved for sale will be based, among other things, upon efficacy, reliability, product safety, price and patent position. Our competitiveness will also depend on our ability to advance our technologies, license additional technology, maintain a proprietary position in our technologies and products, obtain required government and other public and private approvals on a timely basis, attract and retain key personnel and enter into corporate partnerships that enable us and our collaborators to develop effective products that can be manufactured cost-effectively and marketed successfully.

If competitors introduce new products and processes with therapeutic or cost advantages, our products can be subject to progressive price reductions or decreased volume of sales, or both. When we introduce new products with patent protection, they usually must compete with other products already on the market or products that are later developed by competitors. Manufacturers of generic products typically invest far less in research and development than research-based pharmaceutical companies; accordingly, they are able to price their products significantly lower than branded products. Therefore, when a branded product loses its market exclusivity, it often faces intense price competition from generic forms of the product. In many countries outside the United States, patent protection is weak or nonexistent. In order for us to successfully compete for business with managed care and pharmacy benefits management organizations, we must demonstrate that our products offer not only medical benefits but also cost advantages as compared with other forms of care. There also is no assurance that our research and development efforts will result in commercially successful products or that our products or processes will not become outmoded from time to time as a result of products or processes developed by our competitors.

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Research Agreement

On June 8, 2001, Samaritan Pharmaceuticals signed a seven-year research collaboration with Georgetown University. The objectives of the Georgetown University Samaritan Pharmaceuticals research collaboration are (1) to develop "one molecule" drugs and extend clinical studies to in vivo experiments in animal models simulating Alzheimer's disease, (2) to develop an accurate, reliable diagnostic for neuro-degeneration (Alzheimer's), and (3) to

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focus on new drug development in Oncology and Neurology with the ability to protect the brain from neuronal damage and tumor growth.

Under the agreement, Samaritan receives worldwide exclusive rights to any novel therapeutic agents or diagnostic technologies that may result from the research collaboration directed by Dr. Vassilios Papadopoulos with his team of seven research professionals (including five Ph.D. level research scientists) who have expertise in the fields of endocrinology, pharmacology, cell biology, organic and steroid chemistry and computer modeling.

Dr. Papadopoulos is the Head of the Division of Hormone Research and a Professor at the Department of Cell Biology, Pharmacology and Neurosciences at Georgetown University Medical Center. He has authored over 150 scientific publications in the field of steroid hormone production and presented his work at numerous national and international meetings.

License Agreements

On June 18, 2001, Georgetown University granted Samaritan an Exclusive Worldwide License to Georgetown's patent application for "Early Detection of Alzheimer's." Georgetown's research efforts toward this patent application accumulated over a seven-year period. The patent application, entitled, "Neurosteroids as Markers for Alzheimer's Disease", naming inventors Vassilios Papadopoulos, Rachel C. Brown and Caterina Cascio, is believed to detect early damage resulting from Alzheimer's. Their findings, that brain levels of DHEA, are increased in Alzheimer's pathology; have significant relevance, given the fact that many companies are currently advocating increasing DHEA with supplements as a means to prevent the development of Alzheimer's disease and, therefore, may put prospective Alzheimer's patients at risk.

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On July 25, 2001, Georgetown University granted Samaritan an Exclusive Worldwide License to Georgetown's patent application for a breast cancer diagnostic test that can be used as a tool to improve the detection, diagnosis, prognosis, prevention and possibly the treatment of breast cancer. The patent application, entitled, "Peripheral-type Benzodiazepine Receptor: A Tool for Detection, Diagnosis, Prognosis, and Treatment of Human Breast Cancer," naming as inventors, Vassilios Papadopoulos and Martine Culty, identifies a protein named Peripheral-type Benzodiazepine receptor (PBR) to be responsible for part of the changes in cellular and molecular functions in the development and progression of breast cancer. Although today there are methods for the detection of breast tumors, such as a mammogram, little is known about the early prognosis of a tumor to metastasize. Georgetown's scientists have identified a correlation between high levels of PBR and the aggressiveness of a tumor. Biopsies, considered to be safe procedures, would be used for PBR measurements and if the levels are high, scientists believe it could serve as a marker for the aggressiveness of a tumor with early detection, diagnosis and prognosis. Georgetown's research efforts toward this patent application have accumulated over an 8-year period and, in addition, Samaritan plans to explore research seeking possible prevention technology and drugs to inhibit, block or arrest the production of this protein PBR identified as a marker for breast cancer.

On September 11, 2001, Georgetown University granted Samaritan an Exclusive Worldwide License to Georgetown's patent application for "Cholesterol Recognition Amino Acid Sequence." The invention has identified a "cholesterol fingerprint" present in proteins known to interact with and bind cholesterol. This chemically synthesized peptide, containing the "cholesterol fingerprint" amino acid sequence, binds cholesterol and could be used as a drug to remove cholesterol from other proteins, cells and tissues.

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On December 13, 2001, Georgetown University granted Samaritan an Exclusive Worldwide License to Georgetown's patent application for "Peripheral-type Benzodiazepine Receptor Associated Proteins: cloning, expression and methods of use", naming as inventors, Vassilios Papadopoulos and Hua Li, identifies proteins that are associated and regulate the function of the Peripheral-Type Benzodiazepine Receptor in health and disease. The role of this receptor is in cholesterol compartmentalization, steroid formation, cell death, tumor growth and metastasis, Alzheimer's disease pathology, as well as in other brain pathologies. It is hoped the discovery of these proteins, might provide new tools to use for understanding the cause of diseases and develop new methods of treatment.

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Government Regulation

Governmental authorities in the United States and other countries extensively regulate the preclinical and clinical testing, manufacturing, labeling, storage, record-keeping, advertising, promotion, export, marketing and distribution, among other things, of our therapeutics products.

In the United States, the FDA under the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act, the Public Health Service Act and other federal statutes and regulations subjects pharmaceutical products to rigorous review. If we do not comply with applicable requirements, we may be fined, our products may be recalled or seized, our production may be totally or partially suspended, the government may refuse to approve our marketing applications or allow us to distribute our products, and we may be criminally prosecuted. The FDA also has the authority to revoke previously granted marketing authorizations. In order to obtain approval of a new product from the FDA, we must, among other requirements, submit proof of safety and efficacy as well as detailed information on the manufacture and composition of the product. In most cases, this proof entails extensive laboratory tests, and preclinical and clinical trials. This testing, the preparation of necessary applications and processing of those applications by the FDA are expensive and typically take several years to complete. The FDA may not act quickly or favorably in reviewing these applications, and we may encounter significant difficulties or costs in our efforts to obtain FDA approvals that could delay or preclude us from marketing any products we may develop. The FDA may also require post-marketing testing and surveillance to monitor the effects of approved products or place conditions on any approvals that could restrict the commercial applications of these products. Regulatory authorities may withdraw product approvals if we fail to comply with regulatory standards or if we encounter problems following initial marketing. With respect to patented products or technologies, delays imposed by the governmental approval process may materially reduce the period during which we will have the exclusive right to exploit the products or technologies.

After an IND becomes effective, a sponsor may commence human clinical trials. The sponsor typically conducts human clinical trials in three sequential phases, but the phases may overlap. In Phase I clinical trials, the product is tested in a small number of patients or healthy volunteers, primarily for safety at one or more doses. In Phase II, the sponsor continues to evaluate safety, but primarily evaluates the efficacy of the product in a patient population. Phase III clinical trials typically involve additional testing for safety and clinical efficacy in an expanded population at geographically dispersed test sites. The sponsor must submit to the FDA a clinical plan, or "protocol," accompanied by the approval of the institution participating in the trials, prior to commencement of each clinical trial. The FDA may order the temporary or permanent discontinuation of a clinical trial at any time.

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The sponsor must submit to the FDA the results of the preclinical and clinical trials, together with, among other things, detailed information on the manufacture and composition of the product, in the form of a new drug application or, in the case of a biologic, a biologics license application. In a process which generally takes several years, the FDA reviews this application and, when and if it decides that adequate data is available to show that the new compound is both safe and effective and that other applicable requirements have been met, approves the drug or biologic for marketing.

The amount of time taken for this approval process is a function of a number of variables, including the quality of the submission and studies presented, the potential contribution that the compound will make in improving the treatment of the disease in question, and the workload at the FDA. It is possible that our products will not successfully proceed through this approval process or that the FDA will not approve them in any specific period of time, or at all.

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Congress enacted the Food and Drug Administration Modernization Act of 1997, in part, to ensure the availability of safe and effective drugs, biologics and medical devices by expediting the FDA review process for new products.

The Modernization Act establishes a statutory program for the approval of fast track products, including biologics. A fast track product is defined as a new drug or biologic intended for the treatment of a serious or life-threatening condition that demonstrates the potential to address unmet medical needs for this condition. Under the fast track program, the sponsor of a new drug or biologic may request the FDA to designate the drug or biologic as a fast track product at anytime during the clinical development of the product. The Modernization Act specifies that the FDA must determine if the product qualifies for fast track designation within 60 days of receipt of the sponsor's request. The FDA can base approval of a marketing application for a fast track product on an effect, on a clinical endpoint or on another endpoint that is reasonably likely to predict clinical benefit. The FDA may subject approval of an application for a fast track product to post-approval studies to validate the surrogate endpoint or confirm the effect on the clinical endpoint and prior review of all promotional materials. In addition, the FDA may withdraw its approval of a fast track product on a number of grounds, including the sponsor's failure to conduct any required post-approval study with due diligence. If a preliminary review of clinical data suggests that a fast track product may be effective, the FDA may initiate review of sections of a marketing application for a fast track product before the sponsor completes the application. This rolling review is available if the applicant provides a schedule for submission of remaining information and pays applicable user fees. However, the time periods specified under the Prescription Drug User Fee Act concerning timing goals to which the FDA has committed in reviewing an application do not begin until the sponsor submits the entire application. We may request fast track designation for our HIV drug and other products.

We cannot predict whether the FDA will grant these designations, nor can we predict the ultimate impact, if any, of the fast track process on the timing or likelihood of FDA approval of our therapeutics. The FDA may, during its review of a new drug application or biologics license application, ask for additional test data. If the FDA does ultimately approve the product, it may require post-marketing testing, including potentially expensive Phase IV studies, and surveillance to monitor the safety and effectiveness of the drug. In addition, the FDA may in some circumstances impose restrictions on the use of the drug, which may be difficult and expensive to administer, and may require prior approval of promotional materials.

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Before approving a new drug application or biologics license application, the FDA will also inspect the facilities at which the product is manufactured and will not approve the product unless the manufacturing facilities are in compliance with current Good Manufacturing Practices ("cGMPs"). In addition, the manufacture, holding, and distribution of a product must be in compliance with cGMPs. Manufacturers must continue to expend time, money and effort in the areas of production, quality control, record keeping and reporting to ensure full compliance with those requirements. The labeling, advertising, promotion, marketing and distribution of a drug or biologic product must be in compliance with FDA regulatory requirements. Failure to comply with applicable requirements can lead to the FDA demanding that production and shipment cease, and, in some cases, that the manufacturer recall products, or to FDA enforcement actions that can include seizures, injunctions and criminal prosecution. These failures can also lead to FDA withdrawal of approval to market the product.

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We have not received approval in the U.S. or any foreign states or foreign jurisdictions for the commercial sale of any of our potential therapeutics products. However, the FDA has accepted our IND for the clinical examination of our HIV drug. Completion of testing, studies and trials may take several years, and the length of time varies substantially with the type, complexity, novelty and intended use of the product. There can be no assurance that any of our development programs will be successfully completed, that any IND will become effective or that additional clinical trials will be allowed by the FDA or other regulatory authorities or that we will successfully develop any marketable pharmaceutical product.

Sales of pharmaceutical products outside the United States are subject to foreign regulatory requirements that vary widely from country to country. Whether or not we have obtained FDA approval, we must obtain approval of a product by comparable regulatory authorities of foreign countries prior to the commencement of marketing the product in those countries. The time required to obtain this approval may be longer or shorter than that required for FDA approval. The foreign regulatory approval process includes all the risks associated with FDA regulation set forth above, as well as country specific regulations.

Environmental Matters

We currently rely primarily on third party independent contractors and the research efforts of Georgetown University, AIDS Research Alliance and the University of Iowa to conduct research and development on and manufacture clinical supplies of our proposed drugs. However, to the extent that any of our current and future research and development activities involve the use of hazardous materials and chemicals, or produce waste products, we will be subject to federal, state and local laws and regulations governing the use, manufacture, storage, handling and disposal of these materials. Although we would expect that our safety procedures for handling and disposing of these materials would comply with the standards prescribed by such laws and regulations, we may be required to incur significant costs to comply with environmental and health and safety regulations in the future. In addition, the risk of accidental contamination or injury from hazardous and radioactive materials cannot be completely eliminated. The potential liability for damages stemming from accidents involving these materials may exceed our insurance coverage or available resources.

Product and Clinical Studies Liability

Administration of any drug to humans involves the risk of allergic

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or other adverse reactions in certain individuals. Accordingly, it is possible that claims might be successfully asserted against us for liability with respect to injuries that may arise from the administration or use of our products during clinical trials or following commercialization. We presently carry what we believe is adequate clinical studies and product liability insurance.

Employees

As of December 31, 2002, we had 5 employees that work directly for Samaritan Pharmaceuticals and 7 scientists that work under our collaboration agreement with Georgetown University. In addition, we make extensive use of consultants.

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RISK FACTORS

Should any of the following risks occur, in addition to risks and uncertainties not presently known to us, our business, the price of our stock, our financial condition, and the results of our operations could be materially impacted, and you could lose all or part of your investment in our common stock. Additional risks not listed below, known or unknown, may also affect the value of our shares.

1. Risks Related To Our Financial Condition

We are a development stage company with a history of operating losses; we expect to continue to incur losses and we may never be profitable. We are still in our development stage. We have been unprofitable since our inception and have incurred significant losses. These losses have resulted principally from costs incurred in our research and development programs and from our general and administrative costs. We have derived no significant revenues from product sales or royalties. We do not expect to achieve significant product sales or royalty revenue in the near future and are not able to predict when we might do so. Furthermore we may never do so. We expect to continue to incur substantial additional operating losses in the future. These losses may increase significantly as we expand development and clinical trial efforts although we prioritize our capital to technologies closest to commercialization.

The clinical development of a therapeutic product is a very expensive and lengthy process and may be expected to utilize \$5 to \$20 million over a three to six year development cycle. We currently do not have available the financial resources to complete the clinical development of any of our therapeutic products without a strategic partner, and we are in need of and are seeking to raise additional capital. Accordingly, we cannot assure you that any of our product development efforts will be successfully completed, that any of our products will be proven to be safe and effective, that regulatory approvals will be obtained at all or be as broad as sought, that our products will be capable of being produced in commercial quantities or that any of our products, if introduced, will achieve market acceptance or generate significant revenues.

Although we believe we could license the manufacturing and marketing rights to our products in return for up-front licensing and other fees and royalties on any sales, there can be no assurance that we will be able to do so in the event we seek to do so. Accordingly, we expect our substantial losses to continue as we develop our portfolio and, even if one or more of our products under development should be commercialized, there can be no assurance that we can ever generate significant revenues to achieve or sustain profitability.

We need to obtain additional funds to develop our therapeutics products and our future access to capital is uncertain. The allocation of

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limited resources is an ongoing issue for us as we move from research activities into the more costly clinical investigations required to bring therapeutic products to market.

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Even though we believe that our cash on hand and our financing commitment with Fusion Capital should be sufficient to meet our projected operating and capital requirements, we might require substantial additional funds. The amount of which will depend, among other things, on the rate of progress and the cost of our research and product development programs and clinical trial activities, the cost of preparing, filing, prosecuting, maintaining and enforcing patent claims and other intellectual property rights, and the cost of developing manufacturing and marketing capabilities, if we decide to undertake those activities. We do not have any commitments or arrangements to obtain any such funds and there can be no assurance that any additional funds, whether through exercise of the Warrants and Options, additional sales of securities or collaborative or other arrangements with corporate partners or from other sources, will be available to us upon terms acceptable to us or at all. If we are unable to obtain additional financing we might be required to delay, scale back or eliminate certain of our research and product development programs or clinical trials, or be required to license third parties to commercialize products or technologies that we would otherwise undertake ourselves, or cease certain operations all together, any of which might have a material adverse effect upon us.

If we raise additional funds by issuing equity securities, dilution to stockholders may result, and new investors could have rights superior to holders of shares purchased in this offering.

2. Risks Related to our Operations

We are subject to extensive regulation which can be costly and time consuming and subject us to unanticipated delays; even if we obtain regulatory approval for a product, the product may still face regulatory difficulties.

All of our potential products and manufacturing activities are subject to comprehensive regulation by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) in the United States and by comparable authorities in other countries. The process of obtaining FDA and other required regulatory approvals, including foreign approvals, is expensive and often takes many years and can vary substantially based upon the type, complexity and novelty of the products involved. Preclinical studies involve laboratory evaluation of product characteristics and often animal studies to assess the efficacy and safety of the product. The FDA regulates preclinical studies under a series of regulations called the current Good Laboratory Practices regulations. If the sponsor violates these regulations, the FDA, in some cases, may invalidate the studies and require that the sponsor replicate them.

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Certain of our potential products may be novel, and regulatory agencies may lack experience with them, which may lengthen the regulatory review process, increase our development costs and delay or prevent their commercialization. There is limited successful commercialization of products based on technology such as ours. In addition, we have had only limited experience in filing and pursuing applications necessary to gain regulatory approvals, which may impede our ability to obtain timely FDA approvals, if at all. We will not be able to commercialize any of our potential therapeutic products until we obtain FDA approval, and so any delay in obtaining, or inability to obtain, FDA approval would harm our business. We have not yet

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sought FDA approval for any of our therapeutic product.

If we violate regulatory requirements at any stage, whether before or after marketing approval is obtained, we may be fined, forced to remove a regulated product from the market and experience other adverse consequences including delay, which could materially harm our financial results. Additionally, we may not be able to obtain the labeling claims necessary or desirable for the promotion of our therapeutic products. We may also be required to undertake post-marketing trials. In addition, if we or others identify side effects after any of our therapeutic products are on the market, or if manufacturing problems occur, regulatory approval may be withdrawn and reformulation, additional clinical trials, changes in labeling, and additional marketing applications may be required.

An investigational new drug application ("IND") must become effective before human clinical trials may commence. The IND is automatically effective 30 days after receipt by the FDA, unless before that time the FDA requests an extension to review the application or raises concerns or questions about the conduct of the trials as outlined in the application. In the latter case, the sponsor of the application and the FDA must resolve any outstanding concerns before clinical trials can proceed. However, the submission of an IND may not result in the FDA authorizing us to commence clinical trials in any given case.

The process of developing therapeutic products requires significant research and development, preclinical testing and clinical trials, as well as regulatory filings and patent prosecution, all of which are extremely expensive and time-consuming. If testing of a particular product does not yield successful results, then we will be unable to commercialize that product.

Some of our potential therapeutic programs are in research or preclinical development, the results of which do not necessarily predict or prove safety or efficacy in humans. Therefore, we must demonstrate each product's safety and efficacy in humans through extensive clinical testing. Although for planning purposes we project the commencement, continuation and completion of our clinical trials, we may experience numerous unforeseen events during, or as a result of the testing process, that could delay or prevent commercialization of our products, including the following:

- the results of preclinical studies may be inconclusive, or they may not be indicative of results that will be obtained in human clinical trials;
- after reviewing test results, we or our collaborators may abandon projects that we might previously have believed to be promising;
- we, our collaborators or regulators, may suspend or terminate clinical trials if the participating subjects or patients are being exposed to unacceptable health risks;
- we may have to delay clinical trials as a result of scheduling conflicts with participating clinicians and clinical institutions, or difficulties in identifying and enrolling patients who meet trial eligibility criteria;
- safety and efficacy results attained in early human clinical trials may not be indicative of results that are obtained in later clinical trials; and
- the effects our potential products have may not be the desired effects or may include undesirable side effects or other characteristics that preclude regulatory approval or limit their commercial use if approved.

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Clinical testing is very expensive, can take many years and may not be completed on schedule, and the outcome is uncertain. The data collected from clinical trials may not be sufficient to support regulatory approval of any of our products, and the FDA may not ultimately approve any of our therapeutic products for commercial sale, which may adversely affect our business and prospects. If we fail to commence or complete, or experience delays in, any of our planned clinical trials, our stock price and our ability to conduct our business as currently planned could be harmed.

We are currently dependent on one source of supply for our HIV drug, the University of Iowa, and there would be a material adverse effect on our business and prospects if we were unable to obtain adequate supplies. University of Iowa manufactures the material in a facility which adheres to current Good Manufacturing Practices, or cGMP, regulations enforced by the FDA through its facilities inspection program. If our supplier was unable to produce and provide us with the HIV product, especially of cGMP grade, we will be forced to identify an alternative supplier or produce the product ourselves. In the case of the former, we currently do not have an alternative supplier capable of meeting our needs and might experience delays in replacing our supplier. We would be required to design, in addition, if the suppliers produce an inadequate supply, or fail to produce or deliver the product on a timely basis; our clinical testing may be delayed, thereby delaying the submission of products for regulatory approval or the market introduction and subsequent sales of our products. Any such delay may lower our revenues and potential profitability and otherwise have a material adverse effect on us.

In the event of dissolution of the Georgetown University Collaboration, we cannot now determine which assets of the Collaboration we would acquire, other than the assets we have already licensed. Aside from the HIV technology, we are substantially dependent upon our licensed product opportunities.

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Our potential therapeutic products are not the result of our own internal basic research but rather arise from our ability to license technologies from third parties. Licenses may require us to achieve certain preclinical and clinical milestones within defined time periods. Our failure to meet any such obligations could result in the imposition of financial penalties or the non-exclusivity or termination of our licenses, which could have a material adverse effect upon our business and prospects.

We are dependent upon third parties for certain research and development, and all clinical studies and manufacturing and marketing of our therapeutic products, which could impair our ability to commercialize our products. Given our limited personnel resources and experience, we are dependent upon third parties to perform research and development related to our programs to supervise and perform all our clinical trials, manufacture all our pharmaceutical products for use in clinical trials and prepare and submit applications for regulatory approval of our clinical testing and commercialization of our products. There can be no assurance that we will be able to obtain these services from third parties by entering into collaborative arrangements or license agreements on commercially reasonable terms or at all or that any or all of the contemplated benefits from such collaborative arrangements or license agreements will be realized. Failure to obtain such arrangements would result in delays in the development of our proposed products or the loss of exclusivity or termination of our licenses.

If we were required to fund such product development internally, our future capital requirements would increase substantially, and there can be no

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assurance that we could obtain additional funds to meet such increased capital requirements on acceptable terms, or at all.

For example, we intend to rely on third-party contract manufacturers to produce materials needed for clinical trials and product commercialization. Third-party manufacturers may not be able to meet our needs with respect to timing, quantity or quality. If we are unable to contract for a sufficient supply of needed materials at an acceptable price and other terms, or if we should encounter delays or difficulties in our relationships with manufacturers, our clinical testing may be delayed, thereby delaying the submission of products for regulatory approval or the market introduction and subsequent sales of our products. Any such delay may lower our revenues and potential profitability.

Moreover, we and any third-party manufacturers that we may use must continually adhere to cGMP. If our facilities or the facilities of these manufacturers cannot pass a pre-approval plant inspection, the FDA pre-market approval of our therapeutics will not be granted. In complying with cGMP and foreign regulatory requirements, we and any of our third-party manufacturers will be obligated to expend time, money and effort in production, record-keeping and quality control to assure that our products meet applicable specifications and other requirements. If we, or any of our third-party manufacturers, fail to comply with these requirements, we may be subject to regulatory action, which could disrupt our business development and delay our market entry.

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By relying on these partners and third parties we will have less control, and may have virtually no control, over the timing, resources and other aspects of clinical trials than if we performed them ourselves; and we may be unable to control the amount and timing of resources which our collaborative partners would devote to our programs or potential products. We can't assure you that collaborators will not pursue other technologies or product candidates either on their own or in collaboration with others. Should a collaborative partner fail to develop or commercialize successfully any product candidate to which it has rights, our business and stock price may be materially and adversely affected.

Collaborative arrangements or license agreements may also require us to expend funds and to meet certain milestones, and there can be no assurance that we will be successful in doing so.

In addition, we can't assure you that disputes will not arise in the future with respect to the ownership of rights to any technology developed with or by third parties. These and other possible disagreements with collaborators could lead to delays in the collaborative research, development or commercialization of certain product candidates or could require or result in litigation or arbitration, which would be time consuming and expensive, and would have a material adverse effect upon our business, financial condition and results of operations.

In addition, we have limited experience with sales, marketing or distribution. We may choose to utilize one or more pharmaceutical companies with established distribution systems and direct sales forces to market our products. In the event we choose to utilize such a distribution network and are unable to reach an agreement with one or more pharmaceutical companies to market our products, we may be required to market our products directly and to develop a marketing and sales force with technical expertise and with supporting distribution capability. There can be no assurance that we will be able to establish, or have the financial and managerial resources to establish, in-house sales and distribution capabilities or relationships with third parties, or that we will be successful in commercializing any of our potential products. To the

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extent that we enter into co-promotion or other licensing arrangements, any revenues we receive will depend upon the efforts of third parties and we can't assure you that these efforts will be successful.

Technology with respect to therapeutics and other biopharmaceutical fields is rapidly evolving, and there can be no assurance of our ability to respond adequately. We are engaged in biopharmaceutical fields characterized by extensive research efforts, rapidly evolving technology and intense competition from numerous organizations, including pharmaceutical companies, biotechnology firms, academic institutions and others. New developments are expected to continue at a rapid pace in both industry and academia. We cannot assure you that research and discoveries by others will not render any of our potential products obsolete, uneconomical or otherwise unmarketable or unprofitable.

In order to compete successfully, we will need to complete the development of and obtain regulatory approval of one or more of our products that keep pace with technological developments on a timely basis. Any failure by us to anticipate or respond adequately to technological developments will have a material adverse effect upon our prospects and financial condition.

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We may not be able to adequately protect our proprietary rights. Our success will depend in significant part on our ability to obtain and maintain elements of business protection practices, including but not limited to U.S. patent protection for our licensed technologies, preservation and defense of our trade secrets and proprietary rights, and operations that do not infringe upon the proprietary rights of third parties. Because of the length of time and expense associated with bringing new products through development and regulatory approval to the marketplace, the pharmaceutical industry has traditionally placed considerable importance on obtaining patent and trade secret protection for significant new technologies, products and processes. We can't assure you that patents will be issued from the patent applications we own, or have licensed or that the patent issued to us will provide us with significant protection against competitive applications or otherwise be commercially valuable. In addition, patent law relating to certain of our fields of interest, particularly as to the scope of claims in issued patents, is still evolving. Patent positions may not be as strong as in other more well-established fields, and it is unclear how this uncertainty will affect our patent rights.

Litigation, which could be costly and time consuming, may be necessary to enforce any patents issued in the future to us or our licensors or to determine the scope and validity of the proprietary rights of third parties. The issuance of a patent is not conclusive as to its validity or enforceability and it is uncertain how much protection, if any, will be given to our patents if we attempt to enforce them and they are challenged in court or in other proceedings, such as oppositions, which may be brought in foreign jurisdictions to challenge the validity of a patent. A third party may challenge the validity or enforceability of a patent after its issuance by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. It is possible that a competitor may successfully challenge our patents or that a challenge will result in limiting their coverage. Moreover, the cost of litigation to uphold the validity of patents and to prevent infringement can be substantial. If the outcome of litigation is adverse to us, third parties may be able to use our patented invention without payment to us. Moreover, it is possible that competitors may infringe our patents or successfully avoid them through design innovation. To stop these activities we may need to file a lawsuit. These lawsuits are expensive and would consume time and other resources, even if we were successful in stopping the violation of our patent rights. In addition, there is a risk that a court would decide that our patents are not valid and that we do not have the right to stop the other party from using the inventions. There is also the risk that, even if the validity of

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our patents were upheld, a court would refuse to stop the other party on the ground that its activities are not covered by, that is, do not infringe, our patents.

Our competitive position is also dependent upon unpatented technology and trade secrets which may be difficult to protect. We can't assure you that others will not independently develop substantially equivalent proprietary information and techniques which would legally circumvent our intellectual property rights, that our trade secrets will not be disclosed or that we can effectively protect our rights to unpatented trade secrets.

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As the biotechnology industry expands and more patents are issued, the risk increases that our potential products may give rise to claims that they infringe upon the patents of others. Any such infringement litigation would be costly and time consuming to us.

Currently, we have not registered all of our potential trademarks and there can be no assurance that we will be able to obtain registration for such trademarks.

The use of our technologies could potentially conflict with the rights of others. Our competitors, or others, may have or acquire patent rights that they could enforce against us. If they do so, then we may be required to alter our products, pay licensing fees or cease activities in that area. If our products conflict with patent rights of others, third parties could bring legal actions against us or our collaborators, licensees, suppliers or customers, claiming damages and seeking to enjoin manufacturing and marketing of the affected products. If these legal actions are successful, in addition to any potential liability for damages we could be required to obtain a license in order to continue to manufacture or market the affected products. We may not prevail in any legal action and a required license under the patent may not be available on acceptable terms or at all.

We may suffer material adverse consequences as a result of litigation or other proceedings relating to patent and other intellectual property rights. The cost to us of any litigation or other proceeding relating to intellectual property rights, even if resolved in our favor, could be substantial. Some of our competitors may be better able to sustain the costs of complex patent litigation because they have substantially greater resources. If there is litigation against us, we may not be able to continue our operations.

Should third parties file patent applications, or be issued patents claiming technology also claimed by us in pending applications, we may be required to participate in interference proceedings in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to determine priority of invention. We also may be required to participate in interference proceedings involving our issued patents and pending applications. As a result of an unfavorable outcome in an interference proceeding, we may be required to cease using the technology or to license rights from prevailing third parties, who may not offer us a license on commercially acceptable terms.

We are exposed to potential liability claims, and our insurance against these claims may not be sufficient to protect us. Our business exposes us to potential clinical trial and product liability risks, which are inherent in the testing, manufacturing, marketing and sale of pharmaceutical products. Although we have clinical trial and product liability insurance, there can be no assurance that the coverage it provides will be adequate to satisfy all claims that may arise. Regardless of merit or eventual outcome, such claims may result in decreased demand for a product, injury to our reputation, withdrawal of

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clinical trial volunteers and loss of revenues. Thus, even though we are insured, a product liability claim or product recall may result in losses that could be material.

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Competition in our industry is intense and many of our competitors have substantially greater managerial resources than we have. Competition in our fields of research is intense and is accentuated by the rapid pace of technological development. Many of our competitors have substantially greater research and development capabilities and manufacturing, marketing, financial and managerial resources than we do. Research and discoveries by others may result in breakthroughs which may render our products obsolete even before they generate any revenue. There are products currently under development by others that could compete with the products that we are developing. Competitors also may succeed in developing and marketing products that are more effective than or marketed before our products. Our competitors may develop safer or more effective therapeutic products, reach the market more rapidly and thereby reduce the potential sales of our products, or establish superior proprietary positions.

We also anticipate that we will face increased competition in the future as new companies enter our markets and as scientific developments continue to accelerate. If any of our products receive marketing approval, the inability of our products to compete effectively in the marketplace will materially and adversely affect our business operations.

We must expand our operations to commercialize our products, which we may not be able to do. We will need to expand and effectively manage our operations and facilities to successfully pursue and complete future research, development and commercialization efforts. To grow, we will need to add personnel, including management, and expand our capabilities, which may strain our existing managerial, operational, financial and other resources. In addition, we will need to renew our current lease or locate different facilities when our lease expires. To compete effectively and manage our growth, we must train, manage and motivate a substantially larger employee base, accurately forecast demand for our products and implement operational, financial and management information systems. In the event that we fail to expand or manage our growth effectively, our product development and commercialization efforts could be curtailed or delayed. If we lose key management and scientific personnel or cannot recruit qualified employees, our product development programs and our research and development efforts will be harmed.

Our success is dependent upon the continued services and performance of Dr. Janet Greeson, our chief executive officer; president and chairman; and Dr. Vassilios Papadopoulos, our chief scientific officer. The company does not maintain key man insurance on either officer or the loss of their services could delay our product development programs and our research and development efforts at Georgetown University. In addition, the loss of Dr. Janet Greeson may result in the loss of the Georgetown University Collaboration.

In addition, competition for qualified employees among companies in the biotechnology and biopharmaceutical industry is intense and we cannot assure you that we would be able to recruit qualified personnel on acceptable terms to replace them.

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The success of our products will depend in some part upon the availability of health care reimbursement. Our ability to commercialize our

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therapeutic products successfully will depend in part on the extent to which reimbursement for the cost of such products and related treatments will be available from government health administration authorities, private health insurers and other organizations. Significant uncertainty exists as to the reimbursement status of newly approved health care products, and we cannot assure you that reimbursement for any technology we may market will be available, or if available, that the payor's reimbursement policies will not materially adversely affect our ability or the ability of any of our corporate partners to sell these products profitably.

3. Risks Related to our Common Stock

We are authorized to issue additional shares of our common stock without stockholder approval, which could have an adverse affect upon the rights of our stockholders and the market price of our common stock. We have a substantial number of shares of common stock un-issued and not reserved for specific issuances, of which we could issue an amount equal to 20% of our outstanding shares of common stock, without any action or approval by our stockholders in accordance to Samaritan Pharmaceuticals, Inc. 2001 Stock Incentive Plan (the "2001 Plan"), thus substantially diluting the percentage ownership of Samaritan Pharmaceuticals held by purchasers of the securities offered hereby and potentially adversely affecting the market price of our common stock.

Market volatility may affect our stock price and the value of your investment may be subject to sudden decreases.

The trading price for our common stock has been, and we expect it to continue to be, volatile. The price at which our common stock trades depends upon a number of factors, including our historical and anticipated operating results and general market and economic conditions, which are beyond our control. Factors such as fluctuations in our financial and operating results, the results of preclinical and clinical trials, announcements of technological innovations or new commercial products by us or our competitors, developments concerning proprietary rights and publicity regarding actual or potential performance of products under development by us or our competitors could also cause the market price of our common stock to fluctuate substantially. In addition, the stock market has, from time to time, experienced extreme price and volume fluctuations. These broad market fluctuations may lower the market price of our common stock. Moreover, during periods of stock market price volatility, share prices of many biotechnology companies have often fluctuated in a manner not necessarily related to their operating performance. Accordingly, our common stock may be subject to greater price volatility than the stock market as a whole.

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Item 2. Description of Property

The company's executive offices are currently located at 101 Convention Center Drive, Suite 310, Las Vegas, Nevada 89109. The 1,100 square foot office space is rented at a base rent of \$2,620 per month. In addition, under the Research Collaboration agreement between Georgetown University and Samaritan Pharmaceuticals, Georgetown provides space which is located at Samaritan Research Laboratories, Georgetown University Medical Center, Medical Dental Building, Suite SE 111, 3900 Reservoir Road, NW, Washington, DC 20007.

Item 3. Legal Proceedings

We are, from time to time, involved in various legal proceedings in the ordinary course of our business and are currently executing a settlement

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agreement signed by all parties to resolve previously reported pending lawsuits. We believe based on the settlement agreement that the resolution of any currently pending legal proceedings, either individually or taken as a whole, will not have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations.

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

None

Part II

Item 5. Market for Common Equity and Related Stockholder Matters

(a) Market Information

The Company's Common Stock is traded on the NASDAQ over-the-counter ("OTC") Bulletin Board under the symbol "SPHC.OB" and the name of Samaritan Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

The following table sets forth (a) the range of high and low bid closing quotations for our common stock on the over-the-counter market for each quarter within the last two fiscal years. The over-the-counter quotes reflect inter-dealer prices without retail mark-up, mark-down or commission and may not represent actual transactions. The quotations may be rounded for presentation.

Bid Prices

Period	Low	High
Quarter Ended December 31, 2002	0.15	0.24
Quarter Ended September 30, 2002	0.15	0.30
Quarter Ended June 30, 2002	0.13	0.20
Quarter Ended March 31, 2002	0.14	0.30
Quarter Ended December 31, 2001	0.11	0.15
Quarter Ended September 30, 2001	0.14	0.27
Quarter Ended June 30, 2001	0.20	0.40
Quarter Ended March 31, 2001	0.44	0.75

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(b) Holders

As of December 31, 2002 there were approximately seven hundred fifty-two (752) holders of record of the Company's common stock. Certain of the shares of common stock are held in "street" name and may, therefore, be held by numerous beneficial owners.

(c) Dividends

The Company has never paid a cash dividend on its common stock. The payment of dividends may be made at the discretion of the Board of Directors of the Company and will depend upon, among other things, the Company's operations, its capital requirements, and its overall financial condition.

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(d) Equity Compensation Plan Information

Name of Plan	Number of securities to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options, warrants, and rights	Weighted average exercise price of outstanding options, warrants and rights	Number of securities remaining for future issuance
Equity compensation Plans approved			
By security holders (1)	5,074,858	\$0.16	2,586,192
Equity compensation Plans not approved			
By security holders (2)	3,094,350	\$0.24	----
Total	8,169,208		

(1) Samaritan Pharmaceuticals, Inc. 2001 Stock Incentive Plan filed as an exhibit to DEF 14 A, including any amendments, on April 3, 2001 and incorporated herein by reference

(2) Agreements between Samaritan Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Doug Bessert, Eugene Boyle and Dr. Janet Greeson filed as an exhibit to 10-QSB, including any amendments, on August 14, 2002 and incorporated herein by reference.

Trust Agreements

Samaritan Pharmaceuticals, Inc. has entered into trust agreements with institutional trustees providing for the payment out of the assets of the trusts of benefits accrued under our various benefit plans, employment agreements and other employment arrangements as we specify from time to time. To the extent not already irrevocable, the trusts would become irrevocable upon a change of control of Samaritan Pharmaceuticals. We may make contributions to the trusts from time to time, and additional funding could be required upon a change of control. To the extent funded, the trusts are to be used, subject to their terms and to the claims of our general creditors in specified circumstances, to make payments under the terms of the benefit plans, employment agreements and other employment arrangements from time to time specified by us.

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(e) Recent sales of unregistered securities; use of proceeds from registered securities

Securities, unregistered, were sold by the Company in the fourth quarter of 2002 under an exemption from registration. The title of these securities was the Common Stock of the Company. They were sold for cash unless otherwise noted in this section. They were sold in private transactions to persons believed to be of a class of private investors acting on their own comprised of "accredited investors" (as such term is defined in Regulation D of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission or "SEC") and a limited number of non-accredited investors. All investors, to the best knowledge of the Company, not affiliated with the Company, purchased the shares with an apparent investment intent. The Company relied upon, among other possible exemptions, Section 4(2) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. It's reliance on said exemption was based upon the fact that no public solicitation was used by the Company in the offer or sale, and that the securities were legended shares,

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along with a notation at the respective transfer agent, restricting the shares from sale or transfer as is customary with reference to Rule 144 of the SEC.

Management notes that stock was issued as follows during the three months ended December 31, 2002

No. of shares -----	Issued Pursuant To -----	Price/valuation -----
612,500	Subscriptions due at December 31 2002	\$ 62,500
2,000,000	Sale of common stock	\$300,000
937,500	Sale of restricted stock	\$ 93,750

The total offering price, during the fourth quarter as to these shares, was \$456,250, less expenses, estimated to be a total of \$10,000 for printing, legal, postage, and other expenses related to the offering. The SEC declared effective the Company's registration statement on Form SB-2, Commission Registration No. 333-52296, on December 20, 2000 (as amended and supplemented from time to time, "Registration Statement").

Under the Registration Statement, certain selling shareholders may sell shares of Common Stock, which is the title of the class of securities registered, acquired from the Company. The Company does not receive any proceeds from the sale of securities being offered by the selling shareholders under the Registration Statement. The Company registered the shares for sale to provide the selling shareholders with freely tradable securities, but the registration of the shares does not necessarily mean that any of the shares will be offered or sold by the selling shareholders. However, we may receive payments under agreements relating to the shares and may receive proceeds from the exercise of warrants. Such proceeds are intended for use as to working capital and other corporate purposes. The offering under the Registration Statement has not terminated. The Registration Statement registered a total of 11,825,000 shares for a total anticipated offering price, subject to conditions, of \$20,000,000. The amount of shares sold to the selling shareholder to date is 7,113,300 for aggregate proceeds of \$1,312,738. The Company received, under its agreements as noted above, proceeds of \$1,312,738 and incurred, in connection with the registration, estimated expenses of \$32,000 for legal, printing, and related offering expenses, with net proceeds to the Company of approximately \$1,280,706 used primarily for working capital (again not from the sale of the securities under the Registration Statement, but from agreements with the selling shareholders). The payment of offering related expenses by the Company as to direct or indirect payment to others (not officers, Directors, or persons holding 10% or more of any class of security of the Company nor any affiliates of the Company).

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Item 6. Management's Discussion and Analysis or Plan of Operation

The following discussion and analysis should be read in conjunction with the Financial Statements appearing elsewhere in this Registration Statement.

Plan of Operations

We are a discovery and development stage biopharmaceutical company. Since our inception, we have focused our resources primarily on research and development. To date, none of our proprietary products has reached a commercial stage and hence, we do not have, nor do we anticipate in the near future, revenue. We will continue to have significant general and administrative expenses, including expenses related to clinical studies, collaboration with Georgetown University, and patent prosecution.

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We have funded our operations through a series of private placements and through our agreement with Fusion Capital. The Company believes potential private placements, the agreement with Fusion Capital, and an eventual registered public offering, if successful, will assist the Company in meeting its cash needs, but there is no guarantee.

Except for an agreement to sell shares to Fusion Capital Fund II, LLC. ("Fusion Capital"), discussed below, no commitment exists for continued investments, or for any underwriting. The Company has thus far been able to meet its capital needs, and believes that extensive discussions and certain agreements with various potential sources of funding may eventually reach necessary funding agreements. The Board of Directors directed the officers to file Form SB-2 registration statement, offer registered securities to the market and/or as part of agreements with shareholders and others to allow them, as selling shareholders, to sell their shares, once received, in a registered offering, as in the case of Fusion Capital. The officers complied and the SEC declared such registration statement effective. Given the Company has been able to substantially meet its cash needs during the past 12 months, and management's estimation of what may occur in the months ahead, the Company believes it will be able to continue to find avenues to obtain capital needed for operations.

On November 13, 2000, we entered into a common stock purchase agreement with Fusion Capital Fund II, LLC, a Chicago-based institutional investor, whereby Fusion Capital agreed, subject to contract terms, to buy \$20 million of the Company's common stock. The aggregate equity investment committed to the Company by Fusion Capital is \$20 million. These funds will be used to further develop Samaritan's technology various stages of the FDA process and for acquisitions, alliances and other corporate opportunities. More specifically, Fusion Capital has agreed to purchase from the Company up to \$20 million of the common stock over a 50-month period, subject to a three-month extension by the Company. After the U.S. Securities & Exchange Commission declared effective a registration statement, each month Samaritan has the right to sell to Fusion Capital \$400,000 of its common stock at a price based upon the market price of the common stock on the date of each sale without any fixed discount to the market price. At the Company's sole option, Fusion Capital can be required to purchase lesser or greater amounts of common stock each month up to \$20 million in the aggregate. The Company has the right to control the timing and the amount of stock sold to Fusion Capital. Samaritan also has the right to terminate the agreement at any time without any additional cost. Other terms and conditions apply.

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Business Model

Our business model is primarily focused on the commercialization of our product pipeline and patent portfolio. We seek potential products, mainly from the Georgetown-Samaritan collaboration, and then focus on the continual development of these products. Our first development objective for a potential drug candidate is to file for an Investigational New Drug ("IND") application, to conduct human clinical trials, with the eventual goal of obtaining marketing approval for each of the selected technologies.

We currently have several technologies in our product pipeline: requesting an End of Phase II Meeting with the FDA for HIV clinical trial with positive data; an animal (rat) model for Alzheimer's disease; Novel Neuroprotective compounds; a Peptide to bind cholesterol; an Alzheimer's and Breast Cancer Diagnostic/Theranostic; and a series of novel compounds.

Business Value

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What separates Samaritan and the promise of Samaritan is predicated on generating the best value through the development of true medical advances based on the insights, intuition and creativity of its scientists at Samaritan Research Laboratories, Georgetown University Medical Center.

Samaritan believes its collaboration fosters scientific creativity and will advance drug leads more rapidly, thereby, decreasing the average travel time from lab to patients. Currently, the average drug discovery and preclinical testing time is six and a half years, with Phase I being one and a half years and Phase II averaging two years. Samaritan believes it can drastically reduce the average time to commercialization and produce attractive later-stage licensing opportunities.

Samaritan plans to license its drug candidate's late stage, after the technology is validated with "proof of concept" science, thereby capturing the greater portion of the potential value of its drug candidates. The closer the technology is to "proof of concept" FDA Phase I and II, corporate marketing and/or development partnerships are sought, in a manner that strategically fits with the Company's overall goal of building shareholder value. In certain disease categories, Samaritan may process its drug candidates through all human clinical trials.

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Summary of Research and Development

We have a series of therapeutic projects either in "discovery research", "preclinical trials", "product development" or "clinical development"; and we utilize these formal stages of product progression to track progress, performance, competition, and cost for each project. Our programs primarily are aimed at satisfying defined medical needs in the areas of Alzheimer's, cancer, infectious diseases, neurology and tissue engineering, and are based on an intellectual property position that, we believe, is both broad and strong. Several of our development programs involve ex vivo technologies in which patients' tissues are manipulated outside the body and, as such, may be less costly to investigate and quicker to develop than in vivo agents. We expect to apply for and receive regulatory approval from the U.S. FDA to use certain of our technologies to initiate human trials that may commence in the future.

During the fiscal year ended December 31, 2002, we concentrated the majority of our efforts on Samaritan Research Laboratories, our collaboration with Georgetown University. We have the benefit of a strong portfolio of opportunities, each of which must compete for resources and priority status. A key currency in the biotechnology and pharmaceutical market is patents and strong intellectual property. A central activity for us has been, and continues to be, the acquisition, development and maintenance of intellectual property positions directly in support of defined product development opportunities. We continue to expend significant funds and efforts on licenses and patent protection. In addition, we are continually examining our intellectual property positions in relation to competitive activities and our ability to operate and defend our positions in relation to products. We believe that this is a key value element for our development.

We are seeking additional equity funding. If additional funds are raised through the issuance of equity or convertible debt securities, the percentage ownership of our stockholders will be reduced and our stockholders may experience dilution of their interest in us.

Samaritan Pharmaceuticals will continue to seek additional, non-dilutive funding from grants and other similar sources. Although to date,

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Samaritan Pharmaceuticals has not been granted any monies from such funding sources. As a small, newcomer to the biotech industry and as part of the several hundred companies that constitute the public biotech industry, we are not well known. We have initiated efforts to improve the awareness and understanding of our company. We believe, despite the external market conditions, we will be able to successfully accomplish this goal in the long run.

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Highlights of the main products or technologies closest to out-licensing or commercialization:

- (1) An HIV Drug with promising Phase II results.

Early data suggest no serious side effects and (CD4) immune system improvement. The analysis of data is presently being prepared for FDA submission.

- (2) A Pharmacological (rat) model for Alzheimer's disease.

Four weeks treatment of a rat results in its loss of memory and Alzheimer's disease-like brain pathology. This model is ideal for pharmaceutical companies and scientists to screen their Alzheimer's drugs for prevention, stabilization of the disease and cures for Alzheimer's disease.

- (3) Alzheimer's disease compounds.

Compounds offer protection against beta-amyloid neurotoxicity, a condition associated with Alzheimer's disease.

- (4) A Peptide therapeutic that binds cholesterol.

Peptide can be used to clean the blood of excessive cholesterol in acute high cholesterol conditions.

- (5) An Alzheimer's Diagnostic kit.

A simple blood test that identifies specific circulating brain steroids that have been oxidized in the brains of Alzheimer's patients.

- (6) A Breast Cancer Theranostic kit.

A biopsy test that predicts the aggressiveness of a breast cancer tumor which allows a physician, in a timely manner, to recommend the best and possibly the least invasive treatment for a patient.

A. Drug Candidates

Drug Candidates	Indication	Synthesis & Purification	Biological Testing	Toxicity Testing	Mechanism of Action	Metabolism
SP-10	HIV, Alzheimer's Cortisol Disease	xxxx	xxxx	xxxx	xxxx	In Progress
SP-02 to SP-25	HIV to Alzheimer's	xxxx	xxxx	xxxx		

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SP-26 to SP-50	HIV Alzheimer's	xxxx	In Progress			
SP-222	Alzheimer's,	xxxx	xxxx	xxxx	xxxx	In Progress
SP-222b	Stem Cell Therapy	xxxx	xxxx	xxxx	xxxx	In Progress
SP-222c	Cancer	xxxx	xxxx	xxxx	xxxx	In Progress
SP-223	Alzheimer's,	xxxx	xxxx	xxxx	xxxx	In Progress
SP-234 To SP-250	Alzheimer's	xxxx				In Progress
SP-1000	Cholesterol Reducer	xxxx	xxxx			
SP-5000	Cancer Diagnosis, Treatment	xxxx				In Progress

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HIV Drug

On March 7, 2003, Samaritan Pharmaceuticals Inc. and Samaritan Research Labs, Georgetown University, announced that its HIV Phase Ib/IIa clinical trial data and analysis, conducted at, and led by Dr. Steven J. Brown, of the AIDS Research Alliance, Los Angeles, CA, has been provided to Samaritan.

These clinical trial results will be submitted for publication to several medical journals. To prevent denial of publication for reasons of "pre-publication," and to preserve Samaritan's rights under our patent applications, the results will be kept confidential, pending publication.

Phase II is a dose finding and "proof of concept" study conducted in a relatively small number of carefully selected HIV patients, plus a placebo-controlled group. In the Clinical trial, patients received several doses of the test drug (dose finding) and the resulting data allowed researchers and statisticians to make a quantitative assessment of drug effects. Samaritan believes our HIV drug has future potential and is developing its strategy for further development in Phase III. In evaluating the company's statements about Samaritan's HIV drug, you should specifically consider various factors, including the risks outlined in "Risk Factors."

B. Animal Testing Models for Alzheimer's

Samaritan is conducting research and development of animal models for Acute Alzheimer' and Chronic Alzheimer's. We are currently doing in-vitro validation and in-vivo testing with animal models. The models, if successful, will allow efficacy testing for new therapies.

C. Diagnostics/Theranostics

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One of the major problems with the diagnosis and treatment of diseases is the inability of clinicians to determine the onset of disease, thereby enhancing a doctor's ability to prescribe therapy. Samaritan is conducting research and development of diagnostic kits whereby the onset of diseases can be detected. Our diagnostics also requires FDA approval before we can market them to the public. We are applying to the FDA for IDE's in the near future. The following is a chart of our progress to date.

Test	In Vitro Testing	Human Testing (Small Test Group)	Human Testing (Large Sample Size)
Breast Cancer (BC Agress-Analysis)	Completed	Completed	Completed
Alzheimer's (AD Predict-Analysis)	Completed	Completed	In Progress
Alzheimer's Generation II	In Progress		
Alzheimer's Generation III	In Progress	In Progress	

As normal for a biotechnology company, we have incurred research and development stage losses since our inception. These losses consist primarily of research and related expenditures, marketing costs, consulting, and administrative overhead and expenses, incurred while the Company seeks to complete development of its product, which includes studies to obtain FDA final approval. No significant revenues have been earned by the Company, or cash flow from operations, to help pay these operating needs.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This report and other oral and written statements made by us to the public contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of the "safe harbor" provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Such statements are based upon management's current expectations that are subject to a number of factors and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those described in our forward-looking statements. Such statements address the following subjects: our need for and ability to obtain additional capital, including from the sale of equity and/or from federal or other grant sources; our expected future losses; the sufficiency of cash and cash equivalents; our ability to generate revenues; our ability to develop commercially successful products, including our ability to obtain FDA approval to initiate further studies of our potential products and our technologies; the high cost and uncertainty of the research and development of pharmaceutical products; the unpredictability of the duration and results of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration's review of new drug applications; the possible impairment of our existing, and the inability to obtain new, intellectual property rights and the cost of protecting such rights as well as the cost of obtaining rights from third parties when needed on acceptable terms; our ability to enter into successful partnering relationships with respect to the development and/or commercialization of our product candidates; our dependence on third parties to research, develop, manufacture and commercialize and sell any products developed; our ability to improve awareness and understanding of our company, our technology and our business objectives; whether our predictions about market size and market acceptability of our products will prove true; and our understandings and predictions regarding the utility of our potential products

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and our technology.

Statements in this report expressing our expectations and beliefs regarding our future results or performance are forward-looking statements that involve a number of substantial risks and uncertainties. When used in this Form 10-KSB, the words "anticipate," "believe," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "may be," "seek," "plan," "focus," and "potential" and similar expressions as they relate to the Company or its management are intended to identify such forward-looking statements. Our actual future results may differ significantly from those stated in any forward-looking statements.

As a result of the foregoing and other factors, we may experience material fluctuations in future operating results on a quarterly or annual basis which could materially and adversely affect our business, financial condition, operating results and stock price. We are not under any duty to update any of the forward-looking statements in this report to conform these statements to actual results, unless required by law. For further information, refer to the more specific risks and uncertainties discussed above and throughout this report.

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Item 7. Financial Statements

Please see the attached Financial Statements and accompanying footnotes, which should be read with the statements.

SAMARITAN PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.
(A DEVELOPMENT STAGE COMPANY)

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Directors and Stockholders

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Samaritan Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheet of Samaritan Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (a development stage company) as of December 31, 2002 and the related consolidated statements of operations, shareholders' deficit and cash flows for the years ended December 31, 2002 and 2001. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, the consolidated financial position of Samaritan Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (a development stage company) as of December 31, 2002 and the consolidated results of its operations and its cash flows for the years ended December 31, 2002 and 2001 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared assuming that the Company will continue as a going concern. The Company has incurred significant losses and as more fully described in Note 1, the Company anticipates that additional funding will be necessary to sustain the Company's operations through the year ending December 31, 2003. These conditions raise substantial doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. Management's plans in regard to these matters are also described in Note 1. The financial statements do not include any adjustments that might result from the outcome of this uncertainty.

/s/ Sherb & Co., LLP
Sherb & Co., LLP
Certified Public Accountants

New York, New York
April 9, 2003

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SAMARITAN PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.
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CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

December 31, 2002

ASSETS

CURRENT ASSETS:

Cash	\$	357,826
Prepaid expenses		3,000

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TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	360,826
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT	35,205
OTHER ASSETS:	
Patent registration costs	197,366
Purchased technology rights	52,671
Deposits	15,720
TOTAL OTHER ASSETS	265,757
	\$ 661,788
=====	
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' DEFICIT	
CURRENT LIABILITIES:	
Accounts payable	\$ 465,313
Accrued expenses	724,675
Short-term borrowings	156,955
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	1,346,943
DEFERRED REVENUE	250,000
SHAREHOLDERS' DEFICIT:	
Common stock, 100,000,000 shares authorized at \$.001 par value, 64,549,908 issued and outstanding	64,550
Additional paid-in capital	16,794,240
Accumulated deficit during development stage	(17,793,945)
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' DEFICIT	(935,155)
	\$ 661,788
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See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements.

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SAMARITAN PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

FROM INCEPTION (SEPTEMBER 5, 1994), AND FOR THE FOR THE NINE MONTHS
AND FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002 AND 2001

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	From Inception (September 5, 1994) December 31, 2002	December 31, 2002	December 31, 2001
	-----	-----	-----
REVENUES:	\$ 50,000	\$ -	\$ -
	-----	-----	-----
EXPENSES:			
Research and development	3,901,341	1,097,248	1,068,902
Interest, net	43,672	20,307	9,420
General and administrative	12,939,872	2,419,215	2,623,148
Depreciation and amortization	1,096,840	520,383	516,116
Forgiveness of debt	(137,780)	-	(137,780)
	-----	-----	-----
	17,843,945	4,057,153	4,079,806
	-----	-----	-----
NET LOSS	\$ (17,793,945)	\$ (4,057,153)	\$ (4,079,806)
	=====	=====	=====
Loss per share, basic & diluted:	\$ (1.09)	\$ (0.08)	\$ (0.17)
	=====	=====	=====
Weighted average number of shares outstanding:			
Basic and diluted	16,324,613	50,788,659	24,467,817
	=====	=====	=====

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SAMARITAN PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.
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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF SHAREHOLDERS' DEFICIT

FROM INCEPTION (SEPTEMBER 5, 1994) TO DECEMBER 31, 2002

	Number of Shares	Par Value Common Stock	Reserved for Conversion	Additional Paid in Capital	Warrants	C
	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Inception at September 5, 1994	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Shares issued for cash, net of offering costs	6,085,386	609	-	635,481	-	-
Warrants issued for cash	-	-	-	-	5,000	-

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Shares issued as compensation for services	714,500	71	-	1,428,929	-
Net loss	-	-	-	-	-
December 31, 1996	6,799,886	680	-	2,064,410	5,000
Issuance of stock, prior to acquisition	206,350	21	-	371,134	-
Acquisition of subsidiary for stock	1,503,000	150	-	46,545	-
Shares of parent redeemed, par value \$.001	(8,509,236)	(851)	-	851	-
Shares of public subsidiary issued, par value \$.001	7,689,690	7,690	820	(8,510)	-
Net loss	-	-	-	-	-
December 31, 1997	7,689,690	7,690	820	2,474,430	5,000
Conversion of parent's shares	696,022	696	(696)	-	-
Shares issued for cash, net of offering costs	693,500	694	-	605,185	-
Shares issued in cancellation of debt	525,000	525	-	524,475	-
Shares issued as compensation	400,000	400	-	349,600	-
Net loss	-	-	-	-	-
December 31, 1998	10,004,212	10,005	124	3,953,690	5,000
Conversion of parent's shares	13,000	13	(13)	-	-
Shares issued in cancellation of debt	30,000	30	-	29,970	-
Shares issued for cash, net of offering costs	45,000	45	-	41,367	-
Shares issued as compensation	3,569,250	3,569	-	462,113	-
Detachable warrants issued	-	-	-	-	152,125
Detachable warrants exercised	100,000	100	-	148,900	(149,000)
Debentures converted to stock	1,682,447	1,682	-	640,438	-
Net loss	-	-	-	-	-
December 31, 1999	15,443,909	15,444	111	5,276,478	8,125

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Conversion of parent's shares	128,954	129	(111)	(18)	-
Shares issued for cash, net of offering costs	1,575,192	1,575	-	858,460	-
Shares issued in cancellation of debt	875,000	875	-	660,919	-
Shares issued in cancellation of accounts payable	100,000	100	-	31,165	-
Shares issued as compensation	3,372,945	3,373	-	2,555,094	-

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Warrants exercised	38,807	39	-	3,086	(3,125)
Warrants expired	-	-	-	5,000	(5,000)
Net loss	-	-	-	-	-

December 31, 2000	21,534,807	21,535	-	9,390,184	-
Shares issued for cash, net of offering costs	6,497,088	6,497	-	1,257,758	-
Shares issued as compensation	9,162,197	9,162	-	1,558,599	-
Shares issued on previously purchased shares	342,607	342	-	188,208	-
Shares issued in cancellation of accounts payable	200,000	200	-	68,880	-
Amortization of deferred compensation	-	-	-	-	-
Stock options issued for services	-	-	-	439,544	-
Net loss	-	-	-	-	-

December 31, 2001	37,736,699	37,736	-	12,903,173	-
Shares issued for cash, net of offering costs	18,657,500	18,658	-	2,077,641	-
Shares issued as compensation	3,840,525	3,841	-	1,044,185	-
Shares issued on previously purchased shares	50,000	50	-	4,950	-
Shares issued in cancellation of accounts payable	4,265,184	4,265	-	539,291	-
Amortization of deferred compensation	-	-	-	-	-
Stock options issued for services	-	-	-	225,000	-
Net loss	-	-	-	-	-

December 31, 2002	64,549,908	\$ 64,550	\$ -	\$16,794,240	\$ -
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SAMARITAN PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

(A DEVELOPMENT STAGE COMPANY)

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

FROM INCEPTION (SEPTEMBER 5, 1994) AND FOR THE YEARS
ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002 AND 2001

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	From Inception (September 5, 1994) To To DECEMBER 31, 2002 -----	
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Net loss	(17,793,945)	\$
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	105,839	
Expenses paid through issuance of stock	6,475,364	
Stock options issued for services	664,544	
Amortization of deferred compensation	990,072	
(Increase) decrease in assets:		
Prepays and other current assets	(16,241)	
Increase (decrease) in liabilities:		
Deferred revenue	250,000	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	1,735,600	

NET CASH USED IN OPERATING ACTIVITIES	(7,588,767)	

CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Purchase of technology	(108,969)	
Purchase of furniture and equipment	(84,745)	
Patent registration costs	(206,785)	

NET CASH USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES	(400,499)	

CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Proceeds from warrants	157,125	
Proceeds from debentures	642,120	
Proceeds from stock issued for cash	5,883,913	
Common stock to be issued	193,550	
Offering costs	(11,071)	
Short-term loan repayments	(131,467)	
Short-term loan proceeds	1,612,922	

NET CASH PROVIDED BY FINANCING ACTIVITIES	8,347,092	
CHANGE IN CASH	357,826	
CASH AT BEGINNING OF PERIOD	-	

CASH AT END OF PERIOD	357,826	\$
	=====	
NON-CASH FINANCING & INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Purchase of net, non-cash assets of subsidiary for stock	195	\$
Short-term debt and accounts payable retired through issuance of stock	2,433,735	\$
Issuance of common stock, previously subscribed	5,000	\$

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SAMARITAN PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. (A DEVELOPMENT STAGE COMPANY) NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002 AND 2001

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. The Company Samaritan Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (sometimes the "Company" or "Samaritan") was formed in March 1996 and became public in October 1997. It was named Samaritan Pharmaceuticals in April 2001 to reflect a change in the charter and strategic focus of its business.

Samaritan Pharmaceuticals is an emerging product-driven biopharmaceuticals company. Samaritan is dedicated to saving lives by focusing on the development of unique therapeutic products for Alzheimer's, Aging Related Disorders, Cancer, Cholesterol Reduction, HIV, and Parkinson's disease. Samaritan has an emerging pipeline, with one drug candidate Anticort completing Phase II, two Predictive Medicine Diagnostics and several preclinical drug candidates. Samaritan's collaboration with Georgetown University is designed to accelerate discovery and the development of new products through the "proof of concept" phase and expand Samaritan's intellectual property coverage for proven drug candidates.

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on the basis that the Company will continue as a going concern, which contemplates the realization of assets and the satisfaction of liabilities in the normal course of business. The Company has incurred a loss since inception of \$17,793,945. As such, the financial statements reflect recurring losses, working capital deficiencies, negative cash flows from operating activities, and adverse key financial ratios. The Company is dependent upon outside capital to continue in existence and to achieve profitable operations.

Management's plans for dealing with the adverse effects of the conditions cited above is to raise working capital through equity financing arrangements and private placements.

Furthermore, management notes that many expenditures can be deferred until funds are available to continue development. While such a strategy would not be preferred due to a competitive market, management is willing to pursue it if necessary.

B. Basis of Consolidation

The accompanying financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its subsidiary. All intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

C. Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are recorded at cost. Depreciation is provided using the straight line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets.

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D. Intangibles

1) Legal fees associated with filing patents are recorded at cost. Amortization, once the patent is approved, will be calculated using the straight-line method, over the estimated useful lives of the patents. Because the patents were not approved at December 31, 2002, no amortization was recorded for 2002 and 2001.

2) Purchased technology rights are recorded at cost and are being amortized using the straight line method over the estimated useful life of the technology. Amortization was approximately \$10,896 and \$10,896 for the years ended December 31, 2002 and 2001. Accumulated amortization at December 31, 2002 was \$56,298.

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E. Earnings (loss) per share

The Company reports loss per common share in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") no. 128, "Earnings Per Share." Generally, the per share effects of potential common shares such as warrants, options, convertible debt and convertible preferred stock have not been included, as the effect would be antidilutive.

F. Use of Estimates

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

G. Income Taxes

Pursuant to Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 109 ("SFAS 109") "Accounting for Income Taxes", the Company accounts for income taxes under the liability method. Under the liability method, a deferred tax asset or liability is determined based upon the tax effect of the differences between the financial statement and tax basis of assets and liabilities as measured by the enacted rates which will be in effect when these differences reverse.

H. Research and Development Costs

Research and development costs are expensed when incurred.

I. Impairment of Long-Lived Assets

The Company reviews long-lived assets and certain identifiable assets related to those on a quarterly basis for impairment whenever circumstances and situations change such that there is an indication that the carrying amounts may not be recovered. At December 31, 2002, the Company does not believe that any impairment has occurred.

J. Fair Value of Financial Instruments

Statement of Financial Accounting Standard No. 107 "Disclosures about Fair Value of Financial Instruments" (SFAS 107) requires the disclosure of fair value information about financial instruments whether or not recognized on the balance sheet, for which it is practicable to estimate the value. Where quoted market prices are not readily available, fair values are based on quoted market prices of comparable instruments. The carrying amount of cash, accounts payable and

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accrued expenses approximates fair value because of the short maturity of those instruments.

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K. Stock Based Compensation

Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation," ("SFAS 123"), encourages, but does not require, companies to record compensation cost for stock-based employee compensation plans at fair value. The Company has chosen to account for stock-based compensation using the intrinsic value method prescribed in Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 25, "Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees", and related Interpretations. Accordingly, compensation cost for the Company's stock at the date of the grant over the amount of an employee must pay to acquire the stock. The Company has adopted the "disclosure only" alternative described in SFAS 123 and SFAS 148, which require pro forma disclosures of net income and earnings per share as if the fair value method of accounting had been applied.

L. New Accounting Pronouncements

In August 2001, the FASB issued SFAS No. 143, "Accounting for Asset Retirement Obligations." The standard requires entities to record the fair value of a liability for an asset retirement obligation in the period in which it is incurred. When the liability is initially recorded, the entity capitalizes a cost by increasing the carrying amount of the related long-lived asset. Over time, the liability is accreted to its present value each period, and the capitalized cost is depreciated over the useful life of the related asset. Upon settlement of the liability, an entity either settles the obligation for its recorded amount or incurs a gain or loss upon settlement. The standard is effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2002. The adoption of SFAS No. 143 is not expected to have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

In July 2002, the FASB issued Statement No. 146 (SFAS 146), "Accounting for Costs Associated with Exit or Disposal Activities." This Standard supercedes the accounting guidance provided by Emerging Issues Task Force Issue No. 94-3, "Liability Recognition for Certain Employee Termination Benefits and Other Costs to Exit an Activity" (including "Certain Costs Incurred in a Restructuring"). SFAS No. 146 requires companies to recognize costs associated with exit activities when they are incurred rather than at the date of a commitment to an exit or disposal plan. SFAS No. 146 is to be applied prospectively to exit or disposal activities initiated after December 31, 2002. The Company is currently evaluating this Standard.

In December 2002, the FASB issued SFAS No. 148, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation -- Transition and Disclosure -- an Amendment of FASB Statement No. 123." SFAS No. 148 provides alternative methods of transition for a voluntary change to the fair value based method of accounting for stock-based employee compensation. The Company does not currently intend to adopt the fair value based method of measuring compensation associated with stock awards and grants. As a consequence of continuing to utilize the intrinsic value method of measuring such compensation, the Company will be required to provide additional disclosures in its quarterly financial statements which will reflect the impact on net income and earnings per share on a pro forma basis as if the Company had applied the fair value method to stock-based employee compensation.

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2. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

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Property and equipment, at cost, consist of the following as of December 31, 2002:

	Estimated Useful Life (Years)	

Furniture and Fixtures	5-7	\$ 84,745
Accumulated depreciation		(49,540)

		\$ 35,205
		=====

3. SHORT-TERM BORROWINGS

On October 5, 2001 the Company issued a note for \$237,302. The note is payable on demand and bears interest at 12% per annum. The note had a balance of \$120,834 at December 31, 2002.

At December 31, 2002 the Company had an amount due to an entity for \$36,121. This loan is unsecured, due on demand and does not accrue interest.

4. SHAREHOLDERS' DEFICIT

On April 24, 2001, the Company amended its articles of incorporation to increase the authorized number of shares to 100 million and to authorize a class of 5 million shares of preferred stock.

A. Stock Option Plan

The Company has a stock option plan (Samaritan Pharmaceuticals 2001 Stock Option Plan). There were 5,074,858 options granted and 2,586,192 options remaining pursuant to the plan as of December 31, 2002.

B Options Outstanding

The following table summarizes the Company's stock options outstanding at December 31, 2002:

	Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price
	-----	-----
Outstanding and exercisable at December 31, 2000	-	\$ -
Granted	5,418,615	.55
Exercised and expired	-	-
Outstanding and exercisable at December 31, 2001	-----	-----
	5,418,615	.55
Granted	5,317,841	.20
Expired	(1,742,248)	(1.05)
Outstanding and exercisable at December 31, 2002	-----	-----
	8,994,208	\$.25
	=====	=====

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The Company applies APB No. 25, "Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees," and related interpretations in accounting for its stock options. As a result no compensation expense has been recognized for employee and director stock options. Had the Company determined compensation cost based on the fair value at the grant date for its stock options under SFAS No. 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation," the Company's net loss would have been reported as follows:

	December 31,	
	2002	2001
Net Loss:		
As reported	\$ (4,057,153)	\$ (4,079,806)
Pro Forma	\$ (4,924,153)	\$ (4,407,806)
Basic and diluted loss per common share:		
As reported	\$ (0.08)	\$ (0.17)
Pro Forma	\$ (0.10)	\$ (0.18)

The Company utilizes the Black-Scholes option-pricing model to calculate the fair value of each individual issuance of options with the following assumptions used for grants during the year ended December 31, 2002 and 2001. The per-share weighted average fair value of stock options granted during 2002 was \$0.18 on the date of grant using the Black Scholes pricing model and the following assumptions for the year ended December 31, 2002:

Expected dividend yield	0%
Risk-free interest rate	5.0%
Annualized volatility	150%

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At December 31, 2002 the range of exercise price for all of the Company's outstanding stock options was \$.10-\$3.50, with an average remaining life of 6.3 years and an average exercise price of \$.25.

C. Stock as compensation and settlement of debt

The Company issues stock as compensation for services and supplies, valuing such issues premised upon the fair market value of the stock or the services, whichever is more clearly determinable.

During the year ended December 31, 2001, the Company issued an aggregate of 9,162,917 shares of common stock in consideration of services rendered or to be rendered to the Company. Such shares were valued at an aggregate of \$1,567,761 ranging from \$.29-\$.50 per share, representing the fair value of the shares issued. The issuances were recorded as \$230,512 of deferred compensation and the balance of \$1,337,249 as non-cash compensation expense. During the year ended December 31, 2001 the Company exchanged 542,607 shares of the Company's common stock in settlement of indebtedness.

During the year ended December 31, 2002, the Company issued an aggregate of 3,840,525 shares of common stock in consideration of services rendered or to be rendered to the Company. Such shares were valued at an aggregate of \$1,048,026 ranging from \$.17-\$.25 per share, representing the fair value of the shares issued. The issuances were recorded as non-cash compensation expense. During the

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year ended December 31, 2002 the Company exchanged 4,265,184 shares of the Company's common stock in settlement of accounts payable.

6. INCOME TAXES

The Company follows Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 109 - Accounting for Income Taxes, which requires recognition of deferred tax assets and liabilities for the expected future tax consequences of events that have been included in the financial statements or tax returns. Under this method, deferred tax assets and liabilities are based on the differences between the financial statement and tax bases of assets and liabilities using enacted tax rates in effect for the year in which the differences are expected to reverse.

The Company has net operating loss at December 31, 2002 of approximately \$14,000,000 expiring through 2017.

Deferred income tax assets as of December 31, 2002 of \$4,700,000 as a result of net operating losses, have been fully offset by valuation allowances. The valuation allowances have been established equal to the full amounts of the deferred tax assets, as the Company is not assured that it is more likely than not that these benefits will be realized.

A reconciliation of the statutory U.S. Federal rate and effective rates is as follows:

	Years Ended December 31,	
	2002	2001
Tax Benefit Computed at Statutory Rates	(35%)	(35%)
Income Tax Benefit Not Utilized	35%	35%
	-	-
Net Income Tax Benefit	-	-

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7. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

A. The Company leases various facilities under operating lease agreements expiring through April 2005. Rental expense for the year ended December 31, 2002 was \$38,769. Future minimum annual lease payments under the facilities lease agreements for agreements lasting more than one year are as follows:

2003	\$ 32,080
2004	\$ 33,040
2005	\$ 11,120

B. On June 8, 2001 the Company signed a seven year research collaboration and licensing agreement with Georgetown University ("Georgetown"). The agreement commenced July 1, 2001 and terminates June 30, 2008. As consideration for Georgetown's performance under this Agreement the Company shall pay Georgetown \$650,000 per year in quarterly installments commencing with the quarter ended September 30, 2001. As of December 31, 2002 the Company has incurred costs of \$990,322 which has been recorded as research and development expense in the Company's financial statements.

C. The Company has entered into employment agreements with three officers. Two agreements started January 1, 2001 and the third commenced April 1, 2001. Two agreements are for five years and one agreement is for two years with annual

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compensation for all three at \$780,000 with an annual increase not less than 5% per year. Each officer at his option can receive payment in Company common stock calculated at the lowest closing price of the stock quoted for the period for which the salary has been earned divided by the current discount rate for restricted stock offered by the Company.

Each officer is entitled to a bonus payable in ten year warrants based on a calculation of the Company's market capitalization. In addition each officer is guaranteed annual incentive stock options of the greater of 250,000 or a percentage of the issued and outstanding shares on the anniversary date of the agreement. The percentage ranges from 1% to 4%. Such options vest 25% each quarter and are priced at the lowest closing price of the Company's common stock in the quarter preceding the grant. The options terminate after ten years.

8. LITIGATION

Samaritan, from time to time, is involved in various legal proceedings in the ordinary course of our business and are currently executing a settlement agreement signed by all parties to resolve previously reported pending lawsuits. Samaritan believes, based on the settlement agreement, that the resolution of any currently pending legal proceedings, either individually or taken as a whole, will not have a material adverse effect on its business, financial condition or results of operations.

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9. FUSION TRANSACTION

On November 13, 2000, Samaritan entered into a stock purchase agreement with Fusion Capital Fund II, LLC, ("Fusion") pursuant to which Fusion Capital agreed to purchase up to \$10 million of the Company's common stock over a 25 month period from January 17, 2001, which period may be extended an additional three months at the Company's discretion. Subject to the limits on purchase and the termination rights described below during each month, Fusion Capital shall purchase up to \$400,000 of the Company's common stock. The obligation of Fusion Capital to purchase each month is subject to customary conditions, all of which are outside the control of Fusion Capital as well as the Company's right to suspend purchases described below. At such time as Fusion Capital purchases \$10,000,000 of the Company's common stock, the Company, at its discretion, may elect to enter into an additional \$10,000,000 common stock purchase agreement. This amount may be increased or decreased by Samaritan. The selling price per share is equal to the lowest of (a) the lowest sale price of the common stock on the day of submission of a purchase notice by Fusion Capital; or (b) the average of the three lowest closing sale prices of the common stock during the 15 trading days prior to the date of submission of a purchase notice by Fusion Capital; or (c) \$20.00. As of January, 2000, the Company elected to enter into such additional \$10,000,000 for a total of \$20,000,000. The selling price will be adjusted for any reorganization, recapitalization, non-cash dividend, stock split or other similar transaction occurring during the 15 trading days in which the closing sale price is used to compute the purchase price. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Fusion Capital may not purchase shares of common stock under the stock purchase agreement if Fusion Capital or its affiliates would beneficially own more than 4.99% of the then aggregate outstanding common stock immediately after the proposed purchase.

If the closing sale price of the Company's common stock is below \$20.00, the Company has the unconditional right to suspend purchases until the earlier of (1) our revocation of such suspension and (2) such time as the sale price of our common stock is above \$20.00.

If the closing sales price of the Company's common stock on each of the five

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trading days immediately prior to the first trading day of any monthly period is at least \$5.00, the Company has the right to require that Fusion purchase all or a portion of the remaining amount of the stock purchase agreement during the next two monthly periods. If the closing sale price of the Company's common stock is below \$20.00 for any 10 consecutive trading days, then the Company may elect to terminate the stock purchase agreement without any liability or payment to Fusion.

Under the terms of the stock purchase agreement, Fusion Capital received 1,054,945 shares of common stock on November 6, 2000.

In connection with this agreement, the Company agreed to pay to consultants 200,000 warrants exercisable for the Company's common stock. The warrants were issuable upon the initial funding by Fusion.

During the year ended December 31, 2002 pursuant to the agreement, Fusion purchased 5,170,000 shares for \$756,337. At December 31, 2002, Fusion had advanced additional funds of \$162,500 to be repaid through additional issuances subsequent to year end. The amount advanced is reflected as short-term borrowings in the accompanying financial statements.

10. RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

Marketability of the product is dependent, among other things, upon securing additional capital to successfully complete the clinical testing of the product, securing FDA approval, and procurement of viable patents.

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Item 8. Changes In and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosures

The company had a change in registrant's certifying accountant filed as an 8-K, on September 27, 2002 and incorporated herein by reference.

Part III

Item 9. Directors, Executive Officers, Promoters and Control Persons; Compliance with Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act.

The following table sets forth the directors, executive officers and other significant employees of the Company, their ages, and all offices and positions with the Company. Officers and other employees serve at the will of the Board of Directors.

Class I (Term Expires 2004)

Name of Director	Age	Served Since	Positions with Company
Dr. Janet Greeson	58	10/97	CEO, Chairman, Pres.
Paul Burkett	81	10/97	Dir, Audit
Welter Holden	72	10/97	Dir, Compensation

Class II (Term Expires 2003)

Name of Director	Age	Served Since	Positions with Company
Eugene Boyle	37	06/00	Dir, CFO, COO
Brian Sullivan	50	03/01	Dir, Compensation

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Cynthia Thompson 43 03/99 Dir, Compensation & Audit

Class III
(Term Expires 2002)

Name of Director	Age	Served Since	Positions with Company
Douglas Bessert	45	03/01	Dir, VP, Secretary
H. Thomas Winn	62	03/99	Dir, Audit
Dr, Vassilios Papadopoulos	41	03/01	Dir, CSO

Business Experience of Director

Class I Directors

Dr. Janet Greeson, Chairman of the Board, CEO, President and a Co-Founder, has spearheaded the majority of the financing for the company since its inception and led the efforts that resulted in the recent Georgetown University collaboration. She is also a co-inventor in Samaritan's first patent application, under the Georgetown University collaboration, for an Alzheimer's drug. Dr. Greeson's strong leadership and team building skills, business acumen, negotiation skills and knowledge of public markets has been key to Samaritan's growth. In the past, Dr. Greeson, a seasoned healthcare professional with over two decades of corporate experience, focused on emerging growth, mergers and acquisitions. She is a renowned public speaker and the best selling author of "It's Not What You're Eating, It's What's Eating You." Her past guest appearances on numerous radio and TV Talk shows has positioned her to open doors to TV Producers to tell the Samaritan story in a concise and professional manner. Dr. Greeson developed "Psychiatric Hospital Programs" for the US Navy and went on to develop, grow and sell her privately held "Psychiatric Hospital Units" to Columbia/HCA (NYSE:HCA).

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Dr. Greeson has an eclectic past, once working with Mother Theresa, and was privileged to be the U.S. Congressional Nominee for the State of Nevada in 1994, winning the primary without spending a dollar to campaign. Dr. Greeson currently serves on the Board of Restaurant Connections International, Inc., a company with approximately 17 licensed Pizza Huts in Brazil; on the Board of The CEO Council, an organization that provides a common voice and platform for officers and directors of public companies; and on the Board of Intuitive Solutions, Inc., a Financial Consulting company.

Paul J. Burkett is a co-founder and has been a Board Director since October 31, 1997, the Company's date of inception. Since 1996 Mr. Burkett has worked in independent mining and real estate ventures. Mr. Burkett has served as a member of the Board of Directors of Aaminex Capital Corporation, a consulting and venture capital firm. Since 1983, Mr. Burkett has been a Vice-President and a Director of Nevada Gold and Casinos, Inc., (AMEX:UWN) a developer of gaming properties. Since March 1998, Mr. Burkett has been the President of Goldfield Resources, a wholly owned subsidiary of Nevada Gold and Casinos that owns approximately 9000 acres of mining claims in Goldfield Nevada.

Welter "Budd" Holden is a co-founder and has been a Board Director since October 31, 1997, the Company's date of inception. Mr. Holden assisted the Company in recruiting and networking patients for clinical trials. He is a well known designer who has consulted with the rich and famous throughout his whole life. He is a renowned networker and has presented Samaritan to many of his past

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clients, including principals of pharmaceutical companies. Although for the past five years Mr. Holden has been an independent consultant providing architectural and interior design advice, he spends at least half of his time trying to further Samaritan. Mr. Holden is the Chairman of our Business Advisory Board. He received his BA in architectural and interior design from the Pratt Institute.

Class II Directors

Mr. Eugene Boyle has been our Chief Financial Officer, Chief Operations Officer, and a Director since 2000. Mr. Boyle attended Notre Dame and has received a BSE from Tulane University. He is a veteran of the US Navy serving as a Lt. during the Gulf War. Upon discharge he then returned to graduate school earning his MBA in Entrepreneurship from Babson College, Boston, Mass. He is presently in his last year of Off-Campus Law School. Mr. Boyle devotes the majority of his time to business development aspects of Samaritan, SEC filings, patent prosecution and numerous other legal and business affairs.

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In the past, Mr. Boyle was employed by Columbia/HCA (NYSE:HCA) as its Chief Operations Officer for the southeast region and also assisted with mergers and acquisitions of numerous hospitals. He also serves on the Advisory Board of Nevada Gold and Casinos (AMEX:UWN). Mr. Boyle is a Chartered Financial Analyst candidate, has passed the series 7 and 63 securities brokerage registered representative exams, although he is not a practicing representative.

Mr. Brian Sullivan has been a working Director since April 2001 and is totally committed to Samaritan. He is passionate about Samaritan and facilitates all of the public relations strategy for the Company. He administrates Samaritan's Research Laboratory at Georgetown University in Washington, DC and has been an incredible asset to the Company aligning us with HIV activist groups, Aging Institutes and various governmental agencies. Also, Mr. Sullivan has been instrumental in using his acumen for relationships to present the Company to many high net worth private investors. In the past, from 1982 to 1996, Mr. Sullivan served as Director of Pratesi of Beverly Hills, where he was responsible for negotiating a relationship with Neiman-Marcus, starting new franchises, and opening new stores. From 1996 through 1997, Mr. Sullivan was Director of Antiques at Charles Pollack, in Los Angeles, increasing sales by over \$1M in one year. Mr. Sullivan has a BA in Psychology and English from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, and a Masters in Victorian Philosophy from the University of Hall in England.

Ms. Cynthia C. Thompson has been a Director since March 31, 1999 and heads the Compensation Committee since April 2001. Ms. Thompson is the founder and Chief Executive Officer, since May 1998, of Service Interactive, Inc., which services food and beverage original equipment manufacturers and food service vendors nationwide. In May 1998, Ms. Thompson founded Intuitive Solutions International, Inc., a Houston, Texas firm engaged in capital formation and operations management consulting, where she serves as the President. From May 1987 to May 1993 Ms. Thompson was a representative at E.F. Hutton/Shearson Lehman Brothers in the Regional Institutional Group assisting with bank and institutional accounts. From May 1993 to May 1994, she was a corporate accounts representative with Oppenheimer & Company, Inc., and from May 1994 to May 1998, she was the Director, Corporate Finance Department, of D.E. Frey & Company, Inc., a brokerage firm.

Class III Directors

Mr. Doug Bessert, Vice President of Investor Relations and Corporate Secretary, has been a Director since March 2001. Mr. Bessert has an extensive network of contacts which provides an active basis for Samaritan's ability to

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raise private capital. Mr. Bessert received his BS in Marketing from the University of Wyoming. Mr. Bessert has over 20 years of financial and investor relationship experience, with an emphasis in small entrepreneurial companies. Mr. Bessert devotes the majority of his time to the affairs of Samaritan's shareholders. Prior to joining Samaritan, he served as a Branch Manager at a stock brokerage firm in charge of nine other brokers, handling all compliance and investor problems for the office. Mr. Bessert was the Founder and CFO of Thorofare Resources Inc., a regional Oil and Gas company with production and employees in 8 states. He also was a Financial Consultant that managed portfolios for over 230 clients managing in excess of \$43 million in assets. During his tenure as a financial consultant, he was heavily involved in leveraged buyouts, raising private capital, and acquisitions of many entities.

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Mr. H. Thomas Winn has served as a Director since March 31, 1999 and heads the Audit Committee since April 2001. Presently, Mr. Winn serves as the Chairman, CEO, President and a Director of Nevada Gold & Casinos, Inc., (AMEX:UWN) a developer of gaming properties, since January 1994. He also serves as Chairman and President of Aaminex Capital Corporation, a consulting and venture capital firm since 1983.

Dr. Vassilios Papadopoulos, D.Pharm., Ph.D., is head of the Division of Hormone Research and professor of Cell Biology, Pharmacology & Neuroscience at Georgetown University Medical Center. He was appointed Senior Scientific Advisor in June of 2000 followed by being appointed Chief Scientific Officer in April 2001. Dr. Papadopoulos and his group of scientists originally assisted Samaritan with work on using Procaine(HCL) to control stress-induced cortisol production by the human adrenal cells. Dr. Papadopoulos has over eighteen years of experience and over 130 peer review article publications in the Biopharmaceutical field and numerous patents in the field of cholesterol chemistry.

Dr. Papadopoulos' previous achievements include: Gold Medal from the City of Athens for Outstanding Performance in Secondary Education; Sandoz Award, Endocrine Society of Australia (1988); James Shannon Director's Award from NIDDK, NIH (1991-1993); Research Career Development Award, NICHD, NIH (1993-1998). Member, Environmental Health Sciences Review Committee, NIEHS, NIH (1999-2003) Ad Hoc Reviewer for NICHD Program Projects Study Section, NIH (1991), NIEHS Program Projects Study Section, NIH (1995), Reproductive Biology Study Section, NIH (1996,1998), NIDDK Review Committee (2000), National Science Foundation (1991-1998), National Research Foundation of Switzerland (1992,1998), Israel Science Foundation (1993-2000), U.S.-Israel Binational Science Foundation (1996,1997), Department of Veterans Affairs (1996), Australian Research Council (1997,1998,2000), National Health and Medical Research Council of Australia (1999), Alzheimer's Association (1999,2000).

No Director or executive officer of the Company has any family relationships with any other director or executive officer of the Company, except that Mr. Boyle is the son of Dr. Greeson.

The Company has formed, by determination of the Board of Directors, an Audit Committee, with Director Winn as Chairman, who is independent and a financial expert as used in Item 7(d)(3)(iv) of Schedule 14 A (240.14a-101 of this chapter) under the Exchange Act. The Company has also formed a Compensation Committee, with Director Thompson, as Chairman; a Business Advisory Board, with Director Holden, as Chairman; and a Scientific Advisory Board, with Director Papadopoulos, as Chairman.

Item 10 Executive Compensation.

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The Compensation Committee (CC) of the Board of Directors administers our executive compensation program. Each member of the CC is a non-employee director. The CC is responsible for establishing salaries and administering the incentive programs for our Chief Executive Officer, and other executive officers.

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Compensation Philosophy

The CC has designed Samaritan's compensation program based on the philosophy that all of our executives are important to our success, with our executive officers setting the direction of our business and having overall responsibility for our results. Like other pharmaceuticals companies, we operate in a highly competitive and difficult economic environment. Accordingly, the CC has structured Samaritan's compensation to accomplish several goals:

- attract and retain very talented individuals,
- reward creativity in maximizing business opportunities, and
- enhance shareholder value by achieving our short-term and long-term business objectives.

Base Salary

The CC considers the peer data discussed above as well as individual performance when approving base salaries for executive officers. The CC evaluates individual performance based on the achievement of corporate or divisional operating goals and subjective criteria, as well as the Chief Executive Officer's evaluation of the other executive officers. No specific weight is assigned to any particular factor. Dr. Greeson, Mr. Boyle, Mr. Bessert and Dr. Papadopoulos each have employment agreements negotiated on an arm's-length basis with the CC that provide a minimum annual base salary. In setting base salary, the Board considered the contributions of each executive to our company, compensation paid by peer companies and outside compensation reports.

Stock Options

The short and long-term compensation program includes stock options granted under the Stock Incentive Plan as well as non-qualified stock options. The Option Plan is designed to:

- reward executives for achieving long-term financial performance goals over a three-year to ten-year period,
- provide retention incentives for executives, and
- tie a significant portion of an executive's total compensation to our long-term performance.

Stock options for our executive officers and key associates are part of our incentive program and link the enhancement of shareholder value directly to their total compensation. The CC determines the number of stock options granted based upon several factors:

- level of responsibility,
- expected contribution towards our performance, and
- total compensation strategy for mix of base salary, short-term incentives and long-term incentives. The following tables and notes present information

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concerning compensation to the Company's Chief Executive Officer and to the Company's most-highly compensated executive officers other than the Company's Chief Executive Officer who were serving at December 31, 2002

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Summary Compensation Table

Name and Principle Position	Year	Annual Compensation		Long Term Compensation	
		Salary (\$)	Accrual Salary (\$)	Restricted Stock Awards (\$)	Sec Underly
Janet Greeson, Chairman, CEO, and President (1)	2002	\$264,983	\$131,917	-0-	1,5
	2001	\$101,600	\$124,083	\$152,317	1,5
	2000	\$ 30,000	\$150,000	\$180,000	1,7
Eugene Boyle, CFO, COO (1)	2002	\$97,533	\$167,067	\$-0-	76
	2001	\$62,072	\$51,463	\$138,465	76
	2000	\$-0-	\$-0-	\$182,000	44
Doug Bessert, VP (1)	2002	\$87,000	\$98,062	\$-0-	44
	2001	\$20,000	\$ 2,083	\$82,917	38

(1) The Company engaged the executive pursuant to a written agreement between Samaritan Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Doug Bessert, Eugene Boyle and Dr. Janet Greeson filed as an exhibit to 10-QSB, including any amendments, on August 14, 2002 and incorporated herein by reference.

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Option Grants in Last Fiscal Year

Individual Grants			
Name	Number of Securities Underlying Options Granted	% of Total Options Granted to Employees in	Exercise Base Price

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	(#) (1)	Fiscal Year	(\$/Sh)	Expiration Date
Janet Greeson (1)	1,532,210	30.8%	\$0.14	01/02/2012
Janet Greeson (1)	1,779,684	35.8%	\$0.14	04/25/2012
Eugene Boyle (1)	766,105	15.4%	\$0.14	01/02/2012
Eugene Boyle (1)	444,921	9.0%	\$0.14	04/25/2012
Doug Bessert (1)	444,921	9.0%	\$0.14	04/12/2012

(1) The company engaged the executive pursuant to a written agreement between Samaritan Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Doug Bessert, Eugene Boyle and Dr. Janet Greeson filed as an exhibit to 10-QSB, including any amendments, on August 14, 2002 and incorporated herein by reference.

(2) Executive is employed and receives compensation from Georgetown University, whom the company has a collaboration agreement for research and development.

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Aggregate Option Exercises in Last Fiscal Year and FY-End Option Values

Name	Shares Acquired on Exercised (#)	Value Realized (\$)(1)	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options at FY-End (#)	Number of Unexercised In the Money Options at FY-End (\$)
Janet Greeson	1,779,684	-0-	4,844,104	45,966
Eugene Boyle	444,921	-0-	1,977,131	22,983
Doug Bessert (2)	483,052	-0-	877,973	8,898

(1) The Company engaged the executive pursuant to a written agreement which allow the executive to defer compensation into a trust agreement described below.

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(2) Executive is employed and receives compensation from Georgetown University, whom the company has a collaboration agreement for research and development.

401(k) Plan

We adopted a tax-qualified employee savings and retirement plan, or 401(k) plan, covering our full-time employees located in the United States. The 401(k) plan is intended to qualify under Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, so that contributions to the 401(k) plan by employees, and the investment earnings thereon, are not taxable to employees until withdrawn from the 401(k) plan. Under the 401(k) plan, employees may elect to reduce their current compensation up to the statutorily prescribed annual limit and have the amount of such contribution contributed to the 401(k) plan. The 401(k) plan does permit additional matching contributions to the 401(k) plan by us on behalf of participants in the 401(k).

Employment Agreements

The Company engaged the executive pursuant to a written agreement between Samaritan Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Doug Bessert, Eugene Boyle and Dr. Janet Greeson filed as an exhibit to 10-QSB, including any amendments, on August 14, 2002 and incorporated herein by reference.

In each agreement, the executive is entitled to base salary and stock options based on a formula not to be less 250,000 options per year. The executive is also entitled to convert his salary into shares of the Company based on the formula for the Company's security. See "Executive Compensation" for amounts of base salary and stock options for each executive. The executive is also allowed to participate in all of Samaritan Pharmaceutical's benefit programs, if the Company offers the programs to any other employee.

If executive terminates by reason of death, disability, incapacity or termination by Samaritan Pharmaceuticals other than for cause, the executive will be entitled to continuation of base salary and health and similar benefits for defined periods, payment of stock options and deferred compensation awards. In each case, the executive agreed to a non-complete clause for the term of his employment.

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In the event of a change of control, the executive would also vest in his or her options. The executive would also no longer be subject to non-competition undertakings. If a change of control were followed by termination of employment resulting from a change of control termination, in lieu of the severance benefits described above, the executive would be entitled to receive a payment equal to three times base salary and yearly options. For up to three years following termination Samaritan Pharmaceuticals would also be obligated to provide continued health and other insurance and disability benefits. We would also be obligated to pay all legal fees and expenses reasonably incurred by the executive in seeking enforcement of contractual rights following a change of control. If change of control payments and benefits to any of Dr. Greeson, Mr. Boyle, and/or Mr. Bessert were sufficient to result in an excise tax under the so-called "golden parachute" provisions of the Code, we would be obligated to pay the executive a tax gross-up payment. All three executives are also awarded options based on increases in market capitalization starting with the market capitalization of \$12,500,000.

In addition to the salary and other benefits described above, Mr. Bessert was awarded 100,000 options at \$1.00 on restricted stock that were vested as the signing of his employment contract.

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Dr. Papadopoulos has an engagement agreement with Samaritan Pharmaceuticals, Inc., which does not prohibit Dr. Papadopoulos from being employed by other entities. Dr. Papadopoulos has disclosed that he receives payments and benefits from other entities including Georgetown University. He is compensated on a monthly basis, which he has the option to convert his compensation into shares plus he receives 250,000 warrants per year for the life of the contract.

Trust Agreements

The Company has entered into trust agreements and appointed trustees that are non directors or officers providing for the payment out of the assets of the trusts accrued under the Company's various benefit plans, employment agreements and other employment arrangements as the Company specify from time to time. To the extent not already irrevocable, the trusts would become irrevocable upon a change of control of Samaritan Pharmaceuticals. The Company may make contributions to the trusts from time to time, and additional funding could be required upon a change of control. To the extent funded, the trusts are to be used, subject to their terms and to the claims of the Company's general creditors in specified circumstances, to make payments under the terms of the benefit plans, employment agreements and other employment arrangements from time to time specified by the Company.

Indemnification Agreements

The Company has entered into indemnification agreements with each of its directors and officers, indemnifying them against expenses, settlements, judgments and fines incurred in connection with any threatened, pending or completed action, suit, arbitration or proceeding, where the individual's involvement is by reason of the fact that he or she is or was a director or officer or served at our request as a director of another organization (except that indemnification is not provided against judgments and fines in a derivative suit unless permitted by Nevada law.) An individual may not be indemnified if he or she is found not to have acted in good faith and in a manner he or she reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of Samaritan Pharmaceuticals, except to the extent Nevada law shall permit broader contractual indemnification. The indemnification agreements provide procedures, presumptions and remedies designed to substantially strengthen the indemnity rights beyond those provided by Samaritan Pharmaceutical's Certificate of Incorporation and by Nevada law.

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Item 11. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management.

The following table sets forth information regarding beneficial ownership of our common stock as of December 31, 2002, by all persons known by us to own beneficially 5% or more of the outstanding shares of our common stock, each director, and all executive officers and Directors as a group:

Name and Address of Beneficial Owner -----	Number of shares -----	Percentage Owned of Class -----
Welter Holden (2) P.O. Box 211 144 Gallows Lane Litchfield CT 06759	350,250	.5%

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Dr. Janet Greeson (1) (2) 101 Convention Center Dr # 310 Las Vegas, NV 89109	5,044,104	6.9%
Paul Burkett (2) 4518 Whitset Studio City, CA 91604	403,500	.5%
Cynthia Thompson (2) 3040 Post Oak Blvd. #695 Houston, Texas 77056	659,555	.9%
H. Thomas Winn (2) 3040 Post Oak Blvd. #675 Houston, Texas 77056	175,000	.2%
Eugene Boyle (1) (2) 101 Convention Center Drive #310 Las Vegas, Nevada, 89109	3,371,381	4.6%
Dr. Vassilios Papadopoulos (1) (2) Georgetown University Samaritan Research Lab Medical Building, SE 111 3900 Reservoir Road, NW Washington, D.C. 2007	750,000	1.0%
Brian Sullivan (2) P.O. Box 211 144 gallows Lane Litchfield CT 06759	853,250	1.2%
Doug Bessert (1) (2) 101 Convention Center Drive #310 Las Vegas, Nevada, 89109	877,973	1.2%
Samaritan Pharmaceuticals, Inc. Executive Trust (4) FBO Dr. Janet Greeson PO Box 22790 Santa Fe, NM 87502	4,831,560	6.6%
Samaritan Pharmaceuticals, Inc. Executive Trust (4) FBO Eugene Boyle PO Box 22790 Santa Fe, NM 87502	2,603,850	3.5%
Samaritan Pharmaceuticals, Inc. Executive Trust (4) FBO Doug Bessert PO Box 22790 Santa Fe, NM 87502	1,084,610	1.5%
Samaritan Pharmaceuticals, Inc. Executive Trust (4) FBO Dr. Bassilios Papadopoulos PO Box 22790 Santa Fe, NM 87502	850,000	1.2%
All officers and Directors as a group 9 persons (1) (2)	21,855,033	29.8%

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(1) Includes shares of common stock which each of the following directors and executive officers had the right to acquire on December 31, 2002 or within sixty (60) days thereafter through the exercise of options: Dr. Janet Greeson (4,844,104 options), Dr. Vassilios Papadopoulos (750,000 options), Mr. Eugene Boyle (1,977,131 options), Mr. Doug Bessert (877,973 options). Excludes vested deferred shares payable in shares held in trust by the company.

(2) Officer and/or Director.

(3) Calculated on the basis of 73,550,168 shares of Common Stock issued and outstanding and percentages are rounded and so are approximates.

(4) Dr. Janet Greeson, Eugene Boyle, Doug Bessert and Dr. Vassilios Papadopoulos do not have the power to vote or direct the disposition of these shares in the respective trusts and therefore each disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares in the respective trusts.

Item 12. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions.

None.

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Item 13. Exhibits and Reports on Form 8-K.

(a) Reports on Form 8-K.

Samaritan Pharmaceuticals filed one Current Reports on Form 8-K during the forth quarter of fiscal 2002. 1) Certification of Janet Greeson, Chief Executive Officer, Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and Certification of Eugene Boyle, Chief Financial Officer, Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

(b) Exhibits

Listed below are all exhibits filed as part of this report. Some exhibits are filed by the Registrant with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Rule 12b-32 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

Exhibits

No.	Description
2.1	Agreement and Plan of Reorganization (1)
3.1	Articles of Incorporation, as amended and restated (5)
3.2	By-Laws (3)
4.1	Form of common stock certificate (1)
4.2	1997 Stock Option Plan (1)
4.3	2001 Stock Option Plan (4)
10.1	Assignment between Linda Johnson and the Company dated September 6, 2000. (5)
10.2	Assignment between Linda Johnson and Spectrum Pharmaceuticals Corporation dated May 14, 1999. (5)
10.3	Agreement containing the assignment of U.S. Patent Application 07/233,247 with improvements dated May 22, 1990. (5)
10.4	Agreement between AIDS Research Alliance Agreement and the Company dated March 5, 1999 (1)
10.5	Common Stock Purchase Agreement between Company and Fusion Capital Fund II, LLC, dated November 2, 2000 (2) Form of Registration Rights Agreement between Company and Fusion Capital Fund II, LLC. (2)
10.6	First Amendment to Common Stock Purchase Agreement Amendment

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	Between Company and Fusion Capital Fund II, LLC dated as of January 3, 2001 (2)
10.7	Agreement between Samaritan Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and Doug Bessert (5)
10.8	Agreement between Samaritan Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and Eugene Boyle (5)
10.9	Agreement between Samaritan Pharmaceuticals, Inc and Janet Greeson (5)
14.1	Code of Ethics
16.1	Letter on change in certifying accountant (6)
21.1	List of Subsidiaries (1)
23.1	Opinion re: Legality of Law Offices of Richard Rossi, P.A.(2)
99.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer
99.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer
99.3	Certification of Vice President

(1) Filed as an exhibit to Form 10-SB, including any amendments, on July 21, 1999 and incorporated herein by reference.

(2) Filed as an exhibit Form SB-2, including any amendments, on December 19, 2000, and incorporated herein by reference.

(3) Filed as an exhibit to Form 10KSB, including any amendments, on April 3, 2001 and incorporated herein by reference.

(4) Filed as an exhibit to DEF 14 A, including any amendments, on April 3, 2001 and incorporated herein by reference

(5) Filed as an exhibit to 10-QSB, including any amendments, on August 14, 2002 and incorporated herein by reference.

(6) Filed as an exhibit to Form 8-K, on September 27, 2002 and incorporated herein by reference

Financial statement schedules

The Financial Statements filed as part of this report are listed and indexed at Page F-1.

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Item 14. Controls and Procedures.

Based on their evaluation, as of a date within 90 days of the filing date of this Form 10-K, the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-14(c) and 15d-14(c) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) are effective. There have been no significant changes in internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect these controls subsequent to the date of their evaluation, including any corrective actions with regard to significant deficiencies and material weaknesses.

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SIGNATURES

In accordance with Section 13 OR 15 (d) of the Exchange Act, the registrant

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caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

SAMARITAN PHARMACEUTICAL, INC

Dated: April 15, 2003 By: /s/ Janet Greeson, Ph.D.

Janet Greeson, Ph.D.
President
Chief Executive Officer, Chairman

Dated: April 15, 2003 By: /s/ Eugene Boyle

Eugene Boyle,
Chief Financial Officer, Director

Dated: April 15, 2003 By: /s/ Doug Bessert

Doug Bessert
Executive Vice President, Director

Dated: April 15, 2003 By: /s/ Vassilios Papadopoulos, Ph.D.

Vassilios Papadopoulos, Ph.D.
Chief Scientific Officer, Director

Dated: April 15, 2003 By: /s/ H. Thomas Winn

H. Thomas Winn
Director

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CERTIFICATIONS

I, Janet Greeson CEO, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-QSB of Samaritan Pharmaceuticals, Inc.;

2. Based on my knowledge, this annual report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this annual report;

3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this annual report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this annual report;

4. The registrant's other certifying officers and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-14 and 15d-14) for the registrant and have:

a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this annual report is being prepared;

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b) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures as of a date within 90 days prior to the filing date of this annual report (the "Evaluation Date"); and

c) presented in this annual report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures based on our evaluation as of the Evaluation Date;

5. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):

a) all significant deficiencies in the design or operation of internal controls which could adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data and have identified for the registrant's auditors any material weaknesses in internal controls; and

b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal controls; and

6. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have indicated in this annual report whether or not there were significant changes in internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect internal controls subsequent to the date of our most recent evaluation, including any corrective actions with regard to significant deficiencies and material weaknesses.

Date: 15 April 2003

/s/ Janet Greeson C.E.O

Janet Greeson C.E.O

I, Eugene Boyle CFO, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-QSB of Samaritan Pharmaceuticals, Inc.;

2. Based on my knowledge, this annual report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this annual report;

3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this annual report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this annual report;

4. The registrant's other certifying officers and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-14 and 15d-14) for the registrant and have:

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6. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have indicated in this annual report whether or not there were significant changes in internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect internal controls subsequent to the date of our most recent evaluation, including any corrective actions with regard to significant deficiencies and material weaknesses.

Date: 15 April 2003

/s Eugene Boyle CFO
Eugene Boyle CFO

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I, Doug Bessert, Vice President and Secretary, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-QSB of Samaritan Pharmaceuticals, Inc.;

2. Based on my knowledge, this annual report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this annual report;

3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this annual report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this annual report;

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6. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have indicated in this annual report whether or not there were significant changes in internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect internal controls subsequent to the date of our most recent evaluation, including any corrective actions with regard to significant deficiencies and material weaknesses.

Date: 14 April 2003

/s/ Doug Bessert
Doug Bessert VP