UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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FORM 10-Q
QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the quarterly period ended December 31, 2014
OR
☐ TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the transition period from to
Commission File Number: 000-50484
MEI Pharma, Inc. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)
DELAWARE 51-0407811 (State or other jurisdiction of (I.R.S. Employer incorporation or organization) Identification No.)
11975 El Camino Real, Suite 101, San Diego, CA 92130 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)
(858) 792-6300 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes 🗵 No 🗆
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes 🗵 No 🗆
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See definition of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.
Large accelerated filer Non-accelerated filer
Accelerated filer Smaller reporting entity
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes □ No⊠
As of February 4, 2015, the number of shares outstanding of the issuer's common stock, \$0.00000002 par value, was 33,291,247.

MEI PHARMA, INC.

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PART I FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1: Financial Statements

MEI PHARMA, INC. BALANCE SHEETS

(In thousands, except share and per share data)

		cember 31, 2014 inaudited)	June 30 2014), <u> </u>
ASSETS	•	ŕ		
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	23,657	\$ 13,7	
Short term investments		55,051	35,0	16
Total cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments		78,708	48,7	93
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		533	4	97
Total current assets		79,241	49,2	90
Intangible assets, net		418	4	35
Property and equipment, net		79		83
Total assets	\$	79,738	\$ 49,8	80
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LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$	2,152	\$ 1,7	
Accrued liabilities		4,730	2,9	80
Total current liabilities		6,882	4,6	16
Commitments and contingencies (Note 3)				
Stockholders' equity:				
Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value; 100,000 shares authorized; none outstanding		_	_	
Common stock, \$0.00000002 par value; 113,000,000 shares authorized; 33,291,247 and 21,607,296 shares issued				
and outstanding at December 31, 2014 and June 30, 2014, respectively		_	_	_
Additional paid-in-capital		214,403	168,6	37
Accumulated deficit		(141,547)	(123,4	45)
Total stockholders' equity		72,856	45,1	92
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	79,738	\$ 49,8	80

See accompanying notes to the unaudited financial statements.

MEI PHARMA, INC. STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(In thousands, except share and per share data) (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended December 31,				Six Months Ended December 31,			
		2014		2013		2014		2013
Operating expenses:								
Research and development	\$	(6,703)	\$	(4,400)	\$	(13,269)	\$	(7,502)
General and administrative		(2,415)		(1,949)		(4,854)		(3,760)
Total operating expenses		(9,118)		(6,349)		(18,123)		(11,262)
Loss from operations		(9,118)		(6,349)		(18,123)		(11,262)
Other income (expense):								
Interest and dividend income		10		25		22		43
Income tax expense		(1)				(1)		(1)
Net loss	\$	(9,109)	\$	(6,324)	\$	(18,102)	\$	(11,220)
Net loss per share, basic and diluted	\$	(0.39)	\$	(0.32)	\$	(0.80)	\$	(0.60)
Weighted average shares outstanding – basic and diluted	23	,584,604	20	,067,241	2	2,618,413	1	8,591,926

See accompanying notes to the unaudited financial statements.

MEI PHARMA, INC. STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(In thousands) (Unaudited)

	Six Months Ended December 31,	
	2014	2013
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net loss	\$(18,102)	\$(11,220)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities:		
Share-based compensation	2,662	2,350
Depreciation and amortization	31	24
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	(36)	(437)
Accounts payable	444	272
Accrued liabilities	1,822	481
Net cash used in operating activities	(13,179)	(8,530)
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Purchases of property and equipment	(10)	(5)
Purchases of short-term investments	(55,028)	(20,001)
Proceeds from maturity of short-term investments	34,993	_
Net cash used in investing activities	(20,045)	(20,006)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Net proceeds from issuance of common stock	43,104	32,725
Net cash provided by financing activities	43,104	32,725
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	9,880	4,189
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period	13,777	35,573
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period	\$ 23,657	\$ 39,762

See accompanying notes to the unaudited financial statements.

MEI PHARMA, INC. NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Unaudited)

1. The Company

MEI Pharma, Inc., or the Company, is an oncology company focused on the clinical development of novel therapies for cancer. The Company's common stock is listed on the Nasdaq Capital Market under the symbol "MEIP".

The Company's business purpose is the development of drugs for the treatment of cancer. The Company is principally focused on the clinical development of its lead drug candidate, Pracinostat, which it is currently investigating in Phase II clinical trials. Pracinostat is an orally available histone deacetylase ("HDAC") inhibitor that is currently being developed for advanced hematologic diseases such as myelodysplastic syndrome ("MDS") and acute myeloid leukemia ("AML"). In August 2012, the Company completed the acquisition of certain assets and intellectual property, including those related to Pracinostat, from S*Bio Pte Ltd ("S*Bio"). The Company's clinical development pipeline also includes its isoflavone-based mitochondrial inhibitor drug candidate, ME-344. A Phase Ib trial in patients with small cell lung and ovarian cancers is ongoing. In September 2013, the Company acquired PWT143, an oral inhibitor of phosphatidylinositide 3-kinase ("PI3K") delta. The Company expects to initiate a first-in-human study of PWT143 during the first half of calendar 2015.

The Company owns exclusive worldwide rights to all of its drug candidates, including Pracinostat, ME-344 and PWT143.

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying unaudited financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States ("GAAP") for interim financial information and in accordance with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 8 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, the accompanying financial statements do not include all of the information and notes required by GAAP for complete financial statements. In the opinion of management, the accompanying financial statements reflect all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring adjustments) that are necessary for a fair statement of the financial position, results of operations and cash flows for the periods presented. The Company has evaluated subsequent events through the date the financial statements were issued.

The accompanying unaudited financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements and notes thereto as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014, included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") on September 9, 2014. Interim results are not necessarily indicative of results for a full year.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and disclosures made in the accompanying notes to the financial statements. The Company uses estimates for certain accruals, including drug development costs, clinical and pre-clinical study fees and expenses, and share-based compensation, among others. Actual results could materially differ from those estimates.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents consist of cash and highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less when purchased.

Short-Term Investments

Investments that have maturities of greater than three months but less than one year are classified as short-term investments. Short-term investments are considered to be 'held to maturity' and are recorded at their amortized cost.

Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The carrying amounts of financial instruments such as cash equivalents, short-term investments and accounts payable approximate the related fair values due to the short-term maturities of these instruments. The Company invests its excess cash in financial instruments which are readily convertible into cash, such as money market funds and U.S. government securities. Cash is deposited in financial institutions that are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC"). These deposits are in excess of the FDIC insurance limits.

The fair value of financial assets and liabilities is measured under a three-tier fair value hierarchy as follows: Level 1 fair value is determined from observable, quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities. Level 2 fair value is determined from quoted prices for similar items in active markets or quoted prices for identical or similar items in markets that are not active. Level 3 fair value is determined using the entity's own assumptions about the inputs that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability. Cash equivalents, where applicable, and short-term investments are classified as Level 1 as defined by the fair value hierarchy.

Intangible Assets

Intangible assets consist of patents acquired from S*Bio in August 2012, relating to a family of heterocyclic compounds that inhibit HDACs. Capitalized amounts are amortized on a straight-line basis over the expected life of the intellectual property of 14 years from the date of acquisition. The carrying values of intangible assets are periodically reviewed to determine if the facts and circumstances suggest that a potential impairment may have occurred. Results of operations for the three and six months ended December 31, 2014, do not reflect any write-downs associated with the potential impairment of intangible assets.

Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are stated at cost and depreciated over the estimated useful lives of the assets (generally three to seven years) using the straight-line method. Leasehold improvements are stated at cost and are amortized over the shorter of the estimated useful lives of the assets or the lease term.

License Fees

Costs incurred related to the licensing of products that have not yet received regulatory approval to be marketed, or that are not commercially viable and ready for use, or have no alternative future use, are charged to expense in the period incurred.

Research and Development Costs

Research and development costs are expensed as incurred and include costs paid to third-party contractors to perform research, conduct clinical trials and develop and manufacture drug materials. Clinical trial costs, including costs associated with third-party contractors, are a significant component of research and development expenses. The Company accrues research and development costs based on work performed. In determining the amount to accrue, management relies on estimates of total costs based on contract components completed, the enrollment of subjects, the completion of trials, and other events. Costs incurred related to the purchase of in-process research and development for early-stage products or products that are not commercially viable and ready for use, or have no alternative future use, are charged to expense in the period incurred.

Income Taxes

The Company's income tax expense consists of current and deferred income tax expense or benefit. Current income tax expense or benefit is the amount of income taxes paid or refunded for the current year. A deferred income tax asset or liability is recognized for the future tax consequences attributable to tax credits and loss carry-forwards and to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases, as well as differences in the timing of recognizing amounts for tax return purposes. Deferred tax assets are reduced by a valuation allowance when, in the opinion of management, it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred tax assets will not be realized. As of December 31, 2014 and June 30, 2014, the Company has established a valuation allowance to fully reserve its net deferred tax assets. Tax rate changes are reflected in income during the period such changes are enacted. Changes in ownership may limit the amount of net operating loss carry-forwards that can be utilized in the future to offset taxable income.

The Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") prescribes a recognition threshold and measurement attribute criteria for the financial statement recognition and measurement of tax positions taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. For those benefits to be recognized, a tax position must be more-likely-than-not to be sustained upon examination by taxing authorities. An uncertain income tax position will not be recognized if management believes it has less than a 50% likelihood of being sustained. There were no unrecognized tax benefits as of December 31, 2014.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In May 2014, the FASB issued ASU No. 2014-09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers* ("ASU 2014-09"), which supersedes nearly all existing revenue recognition guidance under GAAP. The core principle of ASU 2014-09 is to recognize revenues when promised goods or services are transferred to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which an entity expects to be entitled for those goods or services. ASU 2014-09 defines a five step process to achieve this core principle and, in doing so, more judgment and estimates may be required within the revenue recognition process than are required under existing GAAP. The standard is effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2016, and interim periods therein, using either of the following transition methods: (i) a full retrospective approach reflecting the application of the standard in each prior reporting period with the option to elect certain practical expedients, or (ii) a retrospective approach with the cumulative effect of initially adopting ASU 2014-09 recognized at the date of adoption (which includes additional footnote disclosures). Currently the Company is not generating any revenue. Therefore, we have not yet determined the transition method by which we will adopt the standard in 2017.

In August 2014, the FASB issued ASU No. 2014-15, *Disclosure of Uncertainties About an Entity's Ability to Continue as a Going Concern* ("ASU 2014-15"). The standard requires management to perform interim and annual assessments of an entity's ability to continue as a going concern within one year of the date the financial statements are issued and provides guidance on determining when and how to disclose going concern uncertainties in the financial statements. Certain disclosures will be required if conditions give rise to substantial doubt about an entity's ability to continue as a going concern. ASU 2014-15 applies to all entities and is effective for annual and interim reporting periods ending after December 15, 2016, with early adoption permitted. The Company does not expect that the adoption of this standard will have a material effect on its financial statements.

2. Net Loss Per Share

Basic and diluted net loss per share are computed using the weighted-average number of shares of common stock outstanding during the period, less any shares subject to repurchase or forfeiture. There were no shares of common stock subject to repurchase or forfeiture for the three and six months ended December 31, 2014 and 2013.

Because the Company is in a net loss position, it has excluded stock options, unvested RSUs and warrants from the calculation of diluted net loss per share because these securities are antidilutive for all periods presented. As of December 31, 2014 and 2013, the number of securities excluded from the computation of diluted net loss per share totaled 6,707,609 and 6,418,181, respectively.

3. Commitments and Contingencies

The Company has contracted with various consultants and third parties to assist it in pre-clinical research and development and clinical trials work for its leading drug compounds. The contracts are terminable at any time, but obligate the Company to reimburse the providers for any time or costs incurred through the date of termination. The Company also has employment agreements with certain of its current employees that provide for severance payments and accelerated vesting for share-based awards if their employment is terminated under specified circumstances.

As of December 31, 2014, the Company leases approximately 8,800 square feet of office space for the Company's executive and administrative offices. The monthly rental rate ranges from \$25,077 to \$25,957 during the remaining term of the lease, plus a pro-rata share of certain building expenses. The lease expires in June 2015.

Asset Purchase Agreement

In August 2012, the Company acquired certain assets comprised of intellectual property and technology from S*Bio, including rights to Pracinostat, in exchange for \$500,000 of common stock. The Company issued 195,756 shares of common stock to S*Bio and also agreed to make certain milestone payments to S*Bio based on the achievement of certain clinical, regulatory and net sales-based milestones, as well as to make certain contingent earnout payments to S*Bio. Milestone payments will be made to S*Bio up to an aggregate amount of \$75.2 million if certain U.S., E.U. and Japanese regulatory approvals are obtained and if certain net sales thresholds are met in North America, the E.U. and Japan. The first milestone payment of \$200,000 plus shares of the Company's common stock having a value of \$500,000 will be due upon the first dosing of a patient in a Phase III clinical trial or other pivotal trial, for any indication. We expect to initiate a Phase III clinical trial of Pracinostat in mid-calendar year 2015; the first milestone payment would be due at such time. Subsequent milestone payments will be due upon certain regulatory approvals and sales-based events. S*Bio will be entitled to receive certain contingent earnout payments based on certain worldwide net sales thresholds on a product-by-product and country-by-country basis. As of December 31, 2014, the Company has not accrued any amounts for potential future payments. The net carrying values of the assets acquired under the agreement are recorded on the balance sheet as intangible assets, net.

License Agreement

In September 2012, the Company entered into a license agreement with CyDex Pharmaceuticals, Inc. ("CyDex"). Under the license agreement, CyDex granted to the Company an exclusive, nontransferable license to intellectual property rights relating to Captisol® for use with the Company's isoflavone-based drug compounds. The Company agreed to pay to CyDex a non-refundable license issuance fee, future milestone payments, and royalties at a low, single-digit percentage on future sales of the Company's approved drugs utilizing Captisol. Contemporaneously with the license agreement, the Company and CyDex entered into a commercial supply agreement pursuant to which the Company agreed to purchase 100% of its requirements for Captisol from CyDex. The Company may terminate both the license agreement and the supply agreement for convenience at any time upon 90 days' prior written notice. As of December 31, 2014, the Company has not accrued any amounts for potential future payments. Costs associated with the license agreement were recorded as research and development expense as incurred.

4. Stockholders' Equity

Equity Transactions

Shelf Registration Statement

In April 2014, the Company filed a shelf registration statement on Form S-3 with the SEC ("shelf registration statement"). The shelf registration statement was declared effective by the SEC in April 2014. The shelf registration statement permits the Company to sell, from time to time, up to \$150 million of common stock, preferred stock and warrants. Pursuant to SEC regulations, if the market value of the Company's public float is below \$75 million, the Company cannot sell securities from the shelf registration statement which represent more than one-third of the market value of the Company's non-affiliated public float during any 12-month period.

Underwritten Registered Offerings

In December 2014, the Company completed an underwritten registered offering of 11,500,000 shares of its common stock at a price per share of \$4.00, pursuant to the shelf registration statement. The Company received net cash proceeds of \$43.1 million associated with the offering, after costs of \$2.9 million.

In October 2013, the Company completed an underwritten registered offering of 4,375,000 shares of its common stock at a price per share of \$8.00 pursuant to a shelf registration statement previously filed and declared effective by the SEC. The Company received net cash proceeds of \$32.7 million associated with the offering, after costs of \$2.3 million.

Warrants

As of December 31, 2014, there were outstanding warrants to purchase 315,484 shares of the Company's common stock at an exercise price of \$7.14 per share, which expire in May 2017, issued in conjunction with the Company's May 2012 rights offering; outstanding Series A warrants and warrants issued to the Company's placement agent for the May 2011 private placement to purchase up to 215,721 shares of common stock at an exercise price of \$6.00 per share, which expire in November 2016; and warrants to purchase 4,066,165 shares of the Company's common stock at an exercise price of \$3.12 per share, which expire in December 2017, issued in conjunction with the December 2012 private placement.

5. Share-based Compensation

The Company uses equity-based compensation programs to provide long-term performance incentives for its employees. These incentives consist primarily of stock options and restricted stock units ("RSUs").

MEI Pharma's 2008 Stock Omnibus Equity Compensation Plan (the "2008 Equity Plan") provides for the grant of options and/or other share-based or share-denominated awards to the Company's non-employee directors, officers, employees and advisors. The 2008 Equity Plan was initially adopted in 2008 and was amended and restated in 2011 and 2012. Effective December 3, 2014, the Company's stockholders voted to further amend and restate the 2008 Equity Plan to increase the number of shares of common stock authorized for issuance under the plan to 3,936,000 shares, and to increase the maximum term of stock options from five years to ten years, among other changes. As of December 31, 2014, there were 1,758,761 shares available for future grant under the Plan.

Total share-based compensation expense for all stock awards consists of the following, in thousands:

Three Months Ended December 31,			9	Six Months Ended			December 31,		
2014		2013		2014		20		2013	
\$	445	\$	371	\$	860		\$	754	
	807		803		1,802			1,596	
\$	1,252	\$	1,174	\$	2,662		\$	2,350	
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Stock Options

As of December 31, 2014, there were a total of 1,843,572 options outstanding, including options representing the right to purchase a total of 66,333 shares of common stock which were granted to two of the Company's officers outside of the Plan.

Stock option activity for the six months ended December 31, 2014 was as follows:

	Number of Options	Av	ighted- ⁄erage cise Price	Weighted-Average Remaining Contractual Term (in years)	Aggregate Intrinsic Value
Outstanding at June 30, 2014	1,194,854	\$	8.11		
Granted	679,528		6.66		
Forfeited	(30,810)		7.07		
Outstanding at December 31, 2014	1,843,572	\$	7.59	3.7	\$ 110,655
Vested and exercisable at December 31, 2014	530,057	\$	8.31	2.7	\$ 64,760

The fair value of each stock option granted is estimated on the grant date under the fair value method using a binomial valuation model. Stock options granted to employees vest 25% one year from the date of grant and ratably each month thereafter for a period of 36 months and expire five years from the date of grant. Stock options granted to directors during the six months ended December 31, 2014 vest ratably each month for periods ranging from seven to 36 months from the date of grant and expire either five years or ten years from the date of grant. The RSU equity awards are measured using the grant date fair value of the Company's common stock. The estimated fair values of the stock options and RSUs, including the effect of estimated forfeitures, are expensed over the service period.

The following weighted-average assumptions were used to determine the fair value of options granted during the period:

	Six Months Ended D	Six Months Ended December 31,				
	2014		2013			
Risk-free interest rate	1.7%		1.4%			
Expected life (years)	5.0		5.0			
Expected volatility	116.0%		156.6%			
Dividend yield	0.0%		0.0%			
Weighted-average grant date fair value	\$ 5.24	\$	6.65			

As of December 31, 2014, the Company expects all outstanding options to vest. As of December 31, 2014, there was \$4.5 million of unrecognized compensation expense related to the unvested portion of stock options. Such compensation expense is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 1.7 years.

Restricted Stock Units

In March 2013, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors granted 400,000 RSUs to the Company's Chief Executive Officer, Dr. Daniel P. Gold. Each RSU represents the contingent right to receive one share of the Company's common stock. One-third of the RSUs vested on August 30, 2014, the remaining two-thirds will vest on each of August 30, 2015 and August 30, 2016. The shares underlying the RSUs will be delivered to Dr. Gold on the earliest to occur of (i) March 29, 2018, (ii) Dr. Gold's death, disability or separation from service from the Company for any reason, or (iii) a change in control involving the Company.

The fair value of the RSUs on the date of grant was \$3.5 million. The grant date fair value per unit was \$8.63. As of December 31, 2014, unrecognized compensation expense related to the unvested portion of the Company's RSUs was approximately \$0.9 million and is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 1.3 years.

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

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q includes forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). All statements other than statements of historical facts contained in this Quarterly Report, including statements regarding the future financial position, business strategy and plans and objectives of management for future operations, are forward-looking statements. The words "believe," "may," "will," "estimate," "continue," "anticipate," "intend," "should," "plan," "expect," and similar expressions, as they relate to us, are intended to identify forward-looking statements. We have based these forward-looking statements largely on current expectations and projections about future events and financial trends that we believe may affect our financial condition, results of operations, business strategy and financial needs. These forward-looking statements are subject to a number of risks, uncertainties and assumptions, including, without limitation, those described in "Risk Factors" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014 ("2014 Annual Report"), and elsewhere in this report, including, among other things:

- our inability to obtain required additional financing or financing available to us on acceptable terms, or at all, which may cause us to delay, scale-back or eliminate plans related to development of our drug candidates;
- we are in an early stage of clinical studies for our product candidates on which our development plans are based; clinical studies by their nature typically have a high level of risk and may not produce successful results;
- the results of pre-clinical studies and completed clinical trials are not necessarily predictive of future results, and our current drug candidates may not have favorable results in later studies or trials;
- our inability to maintain or enter into, and the risks resulting from our dependence upon, contractual arrangements necessary for the clinical development, manufacture, commercialization, marketing, sales and distribution of our product candidates;
- costs and delays in our clinical development programs and/or receipt of U.S. Food and Drug Administration ("FDA") or other required governmental or regulatory approvals, or the failure to obtain such approvals, for our product candidates;
- the FDA's interpretation and our interpretation of data from preclinical and clinical studies may differ significantly;
- · our failure to successfully commercialize our product candidates;
- the failure of any products to gain market acceptance;
- our inability to control the costs of manufacturing our products;
- competition and competitive factors;
- our inability to protect our patents or proprietary rights and obtain necessary rights to third party patents and intellectual property to operate our business:
- · our inability to operate our business without infringing the patents and proprietary rights of others;
- costs stemming from our defense against third party intellectual property infringement claims;
- general economic conditions;
- technological changes;
- government regulation generally;
- · changes in industry practice; and
- · one-time events.

These risks are not exhaustive. Other sections of this report and our other filings with the SEC include additional factors which could adversely impact our business and financial performance. Moreover, we operate in a very competitive and rapidly changing environment. New risk factors emerge from time to time and it is not possible for us to predict all risk factors, nor can we assess the impact of all factors on our business or the extent to which any factor, or combination of factors, may cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statements.

You should not rely upon forward looking statements as predictions of future events. We cannot assure you that the events and circumstances reflected in the forward looking statements will be achieved or occur. Although we believe that the expectations reflected in the forward looking statements are reasonable, we cannot guarantee future results, levels of activity, performance or achievements. The following discussion is qualified in its entirety by, and should be read in conjunction with, the more detailed information set forth in the financial statements and the notes thereto appearing elsewhere in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and the audited financial statements and notes thereto included in our 2014 Annual Report, as filed with the SEC. Operating results are not necessarily indicative of results that may occur in future periods.

Overview and Recent Developments

We are an oncology company focused on the clinical development of novel therapies for cancer. Our common stock is listed on the Nasdaq Capital Market under the symbol "MEIP".

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We own exclusive worldwide rights to all of our drug candidates, including Pracinostat, ME-344 and PWT143.

Clinical Product Development Programs

Lead Drug Candidate: Pracinostat

We are principally focused on the clinical development of our lead drug candidate, Pracinostat. Pracinostat is an orally available inhibitor of a group of enzymes called histone deacetylases, or HDACs. HDACs belong to a larger set of proteins collectively known as epigenetic regulators that can alter gene expression by chemically modifying DNA or its associated chromosomal proteins. Abnormal activity of these regulators is believed to play an important role in cancer and other diseases.

Pracinostat has been tested in multiple Phase I and Phase II clinical trials in advanced hematologic malignancies, such as MDS, AML and myelofibrosis, as well as in solid tumor indications in both adult and pediatric patients. Pracinostat has been generally well tolerated in more than 300 patients to date, with manageable side effects often associated with drugs of this class, the most frequent of which is fatigue. The results of these studies also suggest that Pracinostat has potential best-in-class pharmacokinetic properties when compared to other oral HDAC inhibitors, either approved or in development.

Pracinostat has demonstrated clinical evidence of single-agent activity in patients with AML and myelofibrosis. In a Phase I dose-escalation trial in patients with advanced hematologic malignancies, 14% of evaluable patients (two out of 14) achieved a complete remission ("CR"), with the responses enduring for more than 206 and 362 days, respectively. These results were presented at the American Society of Hematology ("ASH") Annual Meeting in December 2010. In a Phase II clinical trial in intermediate or high-risk myelofibrosis, 36% of patients (eight out of 22) demonstrated clinical response from Pracinostat treatment, with 9% of patients (two out of 22) having a clinical improvement (anemia response) and 27% (six out of 22) experiencing some reduction in splenomegaly. These results were published in the September 2012 issue of Leukemia Research.

Pracinostat has also shown evidence of synergistic activity when used in combination with the hypomethylating agent, azacitidine (marketed as Vidaza®), in patients with advanced MDS. Results from a pilot Phase II study showed an overall response rate of 90% (nine out of ten), including six patients who achieved a CR and three who achieved a complete response with incomplete platelet count recovery ("CRp"). The combination of Pracinostat and azacitidine was well tolerated in the study; the most frequent side effects were nausea and fatigue.

In August 2014, enrollment was completed in a randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled Phase II clinical trial of Pracinostat in combination with azacitidine in intermediate-2 or high-risk patients with previously untreated MDS. The trial enrolled 102 evaluable patients with a one-to-one randomization and is being conducted at 24 sites in the U.S. The primary endpoint of the study is CR. Secondary endpoints include overall response rate, hematologic improvement, duration of response, progression-free survival, rate of leukemic transformation, overall survival and safety. We expect to unblind this study after a six month follow-up period and report topline data in March 2015.

In December 2014, we announced that the clinical response milestone has been reached in our open-label Phase II study of Pracinostat in hypomethylating agent ("HMA")-refractory MDS. Of the first 28 patients who received Pracinostat in combination with azacitidine or decitabine (marketed as Dacogen®) after progressing while being treated with the same HMA alone, three have now achieved clinical responses – one partial response ("PR") and two marrow complete responses ("mCR") – exceeding the pre-specified clinical improvement rate for expansion of study enrollment. The primary objective of this study was to determine if the addition of Pracinostat to a HMA can result in clinical benefit following disease progression with a HMA alone. We have now completed enrollment in this study and will continue to follow patients for response and survival. The combination of Pracinostat and azacitidine or decitabine has been generally well-tolerated in the study, with no unexpected toxicities. The most common treatment-emergent adverse events include anemia, fatigue and gastrointestinal disorders.

In December 2014, enrollment was completed in our open-label Phase II study of Pracinostat in combination with azacitidine in elderly patients with newly diagnosed AML. The study enrolled a total of 50 patients at 15 clinical sites in the U.S. At the ASH Annual Meeting in December 2014, we presented interim data from 33 patients evaluable for efficacy. At that time, 45% of patients (15 out of 33) evaluable for efficacy in the study achieved the primary endpoint of the study, including nine who achieved a CR, four who achieved a complete response with incomplete blood count recovery ("CRi") and two who achieved a morphologic leukemia-free state, or mCR. No patient who achieved a response has progressed. The combination of Pracinostat and azacitidine has been generally well-tolerated in the study, with no unexpected toxicities, with six subjects discontinued due to treatment-emergent adverse events. The most common treatment emergent adverse events are neutropenia/neutropenic fever, thrombocytopenia, nausea, fatigue and anemia.

Based on these interim data and recent discussions with the FDA, we are now preparing for a registration-oriented study using CR as the primary endpoint to potentially support accelerated approval for this indication and overall survival as the endpoint for full approval. We expect to initiate this randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled Phase III clinical trial of Pracinostat in combination with azacitidine in elderly patients with newly diagnosed AML in mid-calendar year 2015.

In February 2014, the FDA granted orphan drug designation to Pracinostat for the treatment of AML. The designation provides orphan status to drugs defined by the FDA as those intended for the safe and effective treatment, diagnosis or prevention of rare diseases that affect fewer than 200,000 people in the U.S. Orphan designation qualifies us for certain development incentives, including tax credits for qualified clinical testing, prescription drug user fee exemptions and seven-year marketing exclusivity upon FDA approval. We also intend to seek orphan drug designation for Pracinostat in combination with azacitidine for the treatment of AML.

Mitochondrial Inhibitor Drug Candidate: ME-344

ME-344 is our isoflavone-derived mitochondrial inhibitor drug candidate. In preclinical studies, ME-344 has been shown to cause cell death in multiple human tumor cell lines, including ovarian cancer stem cells, by interfering with mitochondrial energy generation. In April 2013, data were presented at the American Association for Cancer Research ("AACR") Annual Meeting showing the ability of ME-344 to decrease tumor burden and delay recurrence in a pre-clinical *in vivo* model of recurrent epithelial ovarian cancer, the most lethal of all gynecological malignancies.

In October 2013, results from our first-in-human, single-agent Phase I clinical trial of ME-344 in patients with refractory solid tumors were presented at the AACR – National Cancer Institute – European Organization for Research and Treatment of Cancer International Conference on Molecular Targets and Cancer Therapeutics. The results indicated that eight of 21 evaluable patients (38%) treated with ME-344 achieved stable disease or better, including five who experienced progression-free survival that was at least twice the duration of their last prior treatment before entry into the study. In addition, one of these patients, a heavily pre-treated patient with small cell lung cancer, achieved a confirmed partial response and continued weekly dosing for two years. ME-344 was generally well tolerated at doses equal to or less than 10 mg/kg delivered on a weekly schedule for extended durations. Dose limiting toxicities were observed at both the 15 mg/kg and 20 mg/kg dose levels, consisting primarily of Grade 3 peripheral neuropathy.

In May 2014, we initiated a Phase Ib clinical trial of ME-344 in combination with topotecan (trade name Hycamtin®) in patients with solid tumors. The Phase Ib study is evaluating the safety and tolerability of intravenous ME-344 in combination with topotecan, a chemotherapy approved by the FDA for the treatment of small cell lung, ovarian and cervical cancers. In October 2014, the first patient was dosed in the cohort-expansion stage of the study. The cohort expansion comes after the initial stage of the study confirmed that the maximum tolerated dose of ME-344 in combination with topotecan is 10 mg/kg, the same dose defined for single-agent use. We plan to enroll an additional 40 patients into two cohorts: locally advanced or metastatic small cell lung cancer and ovarian cancer.

PI3-Kinase Delta Drug Candidate: PWT143

In September 2013, we acquired exclusive worldwide rights to PWT143 from Pathway Therapeutics, Inc. for an undisclosed upfront cash payment with no future milestone or royalty obligations. In pre-clinical studies, PWT143 has been found to be a potent and selective oral inhibitor of PI3K delta, a molecular target that has been shown to play a critical role in the proliferation and survival of certain hematologic cancer cells. We expect to initiate a first-in-human study of PWT143 during the first half of calendar year 2015.

Results of Operations

Three Months Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013

We incurred losses of \$9.1 million and \$6.3 million for the three months ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

Research and Development: Research and development expenses consist primarily of clinical trial costs (including payments to Contract Research Organizations), pre-clinical study costs, costs to manufacture our drug candidates for non-clinical and clinical studies and salaries and other personnel costs. Research and development expenses increased by \$2.3 million to \$6.7 million for the three months ended December 31, 2014 compared to \$4.4 million for the three months ended December 31, 2013. The increase was primarily due to costs associated with drug manufacturing and Phase II clinical trials for Pracinostat, and costs associated with a Phase Ib clinical trial for ME-344. Additionally, salaries and benefits costs increased due to hiring of additional employees and additional compensation expense related to stock options.

General and Administrative: General and administrative expenses increased by \$0.5 million to \$2.4 million for the three months ended December 31, 2014 compared to \$1.9 million for the three months ended December 31, 2013. The increase primarily relates to higher levels of salaries and benefits costs due to hiring of additional employees.

Other income or expense: We received interest and dividend income of \$10,000 for the three months ended December 31, 2014 compared to \$25,000 for the three months ended December 31, 2013. The decrease was due to lower interest rates earned on cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments.

Six Months Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013

We incurred losses of \$18.1 million and \$11.2 million for the six months ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

Research and Development: Research and development expenses increased by \$5.8 million to \$13.3 million for the six months ended December 31, 2014 compared to \$7.5 million for the six months ended December 31, 2013. The increase was primarily due to costs associated with drug manufacturing and Phase II clinical trials for Pracinostat, and costs associated with a Phase Ib clinical trial for ME-344. Additionally, salaries and benefits costs increased due to hiring of additional employees.

General and Administrative: General and administrative expenses increased by \$1.1 million to \$4.9 million for the six months ended December 31, 2014 compared to \$3.8 million for the six months ended December 31, 2013. The increase primarily relates to higher levels of salaries and benefits costs due to hiring of additional employees.

Other income or expense: We received interest and dividend income of \$22,000 for the six months ended December 31, 2014 compared to \$43,000 for the six months ended December 31, 2013. The decrease was due to lower interest rates earned on cash, cash equivalents and short-term investment balances.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

We have accumulated losses of \$141.5 million since inception and expect to incur operating losses and generate negative cash flows from operations for the foreseeable future. As of December 31, 2014, we had \$78.7 million in cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments. We believe that our existing cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments balances will be sufficient to fund our operations through at least calendar year 2016. Our current business operations are focused on continuing the clinical development of our lead drug candidate, Pracinostat. Our development pipeline also includes ME-344 and PWT143. Changes to our research and development plans or other changes affecting our operating expenses may affect actual future use of existing cash resources. To date, we have obtained cash and funded our operations primarily through equity financings. In order to continue the development of our drug candidates, at some point in the future we expect to pursue one or more capital transactions, whether through the sale of equity securities or entry into strategic partnerships.

Sources and Uses of Our Cash

Net cash used in operations for the six months ended December 31, 2014 increased to \$13.2 million compared to \$8.5 million in the six months ended December 31, 2013, due to an increase in expenses incurred for research and development and general and administrative costs as described above.

Net cash used in investing activities for the six months ended December 31, 2014 was \$20.0 million compared to net cash used in investing activities of \$20.0 million in the six months ended December 31, 2013, representing primarily investments in short-term U.S. government securities.

Net cash provided by financing activities for the six months ended December 31, 2014 was \$43.1 million compared to \$32.7 million in the six months ended December 31, 2013, which reflected net proceeds raised through the issuance of common stock in both our December 2014 underwritten registered offering and our October 2013 underwritten registered offering.

Contractual Obligations

We have contracted with various consultants and third parties to assist us in pre-clinical research and development and clinical trials work for our leading drug compounds. The contracts are terminable at any time, but obligate us to reimburse the providers for any time or costs incurred through the date of termination. Additionally, we have employment agreements with certain of our current employees that provide for severance payments and accelerated vesting for share-based awards if their employment is terminated under specified circumstances.

As of December 31, 2014, we lease approximately 8,800 square feet of office space at a monthly rental rate of approximately \$26,000 per month during the remaining term of the lease, through June 2015.

License Agreement

In September 2012, the Company entered into a license agreement with CyDex. Under the license agreement, CyDex granted to the Company an exclusive, nontransferable license to intellectual property rights relating to Captisol® for use with the Company's isoflavone-based drug compounds. The Company agreed to pay to CyDex a non-refundable license issuance fee, future milestone payments, and royalties at a low, single-digit percentage rate on future sales of the Company's approved drugs utilizing Captisol. Contemporaneously with the license agreement, the Company and CyDex entered into a commercial supply agreement pursuant to which the Company agreed to purchase 100% of its requirements for Captisol from CyDex. The Company may terminate both the license agreement and the supply agreement for convenience at any time upon 90 days' prior written notice.

S*Bio Asset Purchase

In August 2012, we entered into a definitive asset purchase agreement with S*Bio, pursuant to which we agreed to acquire certain assets comprised of intellectual property and technology including rights to Pracinostat, in exchange for \$500,000 of common stock. On August 22, 2012, we completed the asset purchase and issued 195,756 shares of common stock to S*Bio. We also agreed to make certain milestone payments to S*Bio based on the achievement of certain clinical, regulatory and net sales-based milestones, as well as to make certain contingent earnout payments to S*Bio. Milestone payments will be made to S*Bio up to an aggregate amount of \$75.2 million if certain U.S., E.U. and Japanese regulatory approvals are obtained and if certain net sales thresholds are met in North America, the E.U. and Japan. The first milestone payment of \$200,000 plus shares of the Company's common stock having a value of \$500,000 will be due upon the first dosing of a patient in a Phase III clinical trial or other pivotal trial, for any indication. We expect to initiate a Phase III clinical trial of Pracinostat in mid-calendar year 2015; the first milestone payment would be due at such time. Subsequent milestone payments will be due upon certain regulatory approvals and sales-based events.

Critical Accounting Policies and Management Estimates

We describe our significant accounting policies in Note 1, The Company and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, of the notes to financial statements included in our 2014 Annual Report. We discuss our critical accounting estimates in Item 7, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, in our 2014 Annual Report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014. There have been no significant changes in our significant accounting policies or critical accounting estimates since the end of fiscal 2014.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In May 2014, the FASB issued ASU No. 2014-09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers*, which supersedes nearly all existing revenue recognition guidance under GAAP. The core principle of ASU 2014-09 is to recognize revenues when promised goods or services are transferred to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which an entity expects to be entitled for those goods or services. ASU 2014-09 defines a five step process to achieve this core principle and, in doing so, more judgment and estimates may be required within the revenue recognition process than are required under existing GAAP. The standard is effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2016, and interim periods therein, using either of the following transition methods: (i) a full retrospective approach reflecting the application of the standard in each prior reporting period with the option to elect certain practical expedients, or (ii) a retrospective approach with the cumulative effect of initially adopting ASU 2014-09 recognized at the date of adoption (which includes additional footnote disclosures). Currently the Company is not generating any revenue. Therefore, we have not yet determined the transition method by which we will adopt the standard in 2017.

In August 2014, the FASB issued ASU No. 2014-15, *Disclosure of Uncertainties About an Entity's Ability to Continue as a Going Concern*. The standard requires management to perform interim and annual assessments of an entity's ability to continue as a going concern within one year of the date the financial statements are issued and provides guidance on determining when and how to disclose going concern uncertainties in the financial statements. Certain disclosures will be required if conditions give rise to substantial doubt about an entity's ability to continue as a going concern. ASU 2014-15 applies to all entities and is effective for annual and interim reporting periods ending after December 15, 2016, with early adoption permitted. We do not expect that the adoption of this standard will have a material effect on its financial statements.

Item 3: Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

Our exposure to market interest rates relates primarily to the investments of cash balances and short-term investments. We have cash reserves held in U.S. dollars and we place funds on deposit with financial institutions, which are readily available. Our short-term investments consist solely of U.S. government securities with a maturity of three to twelve months.

We place our cash deposits with high credit quality financial institutions and by policy limit the amount of credit exposure to any one corporation or bank. We are adverse to principal loss and we ensure the safety and preservation of our invested funds by limiting default risk, market risk and reinvestment risk. We seek to mitigate default risk by depositing funds with high credit quality financial institutions, by purchasing short-term investments consisting of U.S. government securities, and by positioning our portfolio to respond appropriately to a significant reduction in a credit rating of any such financial institution.

We do not consider the effects of interest rate movements to be a material risk to our financial condition.

Item 4: Controls and Procedures

At the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, our management, with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, evaluated the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures. Disclosure controls and procedures include, without limitation, controls and procedures designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by an issuer in the reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to the issuer's management, including its principal executive and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. Based on that evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective to ensure that the information required to be disclosed by the Company in reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms.

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting during the period covered by this Quarterly Report that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

PART II OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1: Legal Proceedings

None.

Item 1A: Risk Factors

There have been no material changes in the Company's risk factors from those included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014.

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

None.

Item 3: Defaults upon Senior Securities

None.

Item 4: Mine Safety Disclosures

Not applicable.

Item 5: Other Information

None.

Item 6: Exhibits

Exhibits

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31.1	Rule 13a-14(a) or Rule 15d-14(a) Certification of Principal Executive Officer
31.2	Rule 13a-14(a) or Rule 15d-14(a) Certification of Principal Financial Officer
32.1	Certification of Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer required by Rule 13a-14(b) or Rule 15d-14(b) and section 1350 of Chapter 63 of Title 18 of the United States Code (18 U.S.C 1350).
101.INS	XBRL Instance Document.
101.SCH	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document
101.CAL	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document
101.DEF	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document
101.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document
101.PRE	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this Quarterly Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

MEI Pharma, Inc.

/s/ Daniel P. Gold

Daniel P. Gold

President and Chief Executive Officer

Date: February 5, 2015

CERTIFICATION

I, Daniel P. Gold, certify that:

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

Date: February 5, 2015

/s/ Daniel P. Gold

Daniel P. Gold Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

CERTIFICATION

I, Thomas M. Zech, certify that:

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

Date: February 5, 2015

/s/ Thomas M. Zech

Thomas M. Zech Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)

CERTIFICATION

Pursuant to the requirement set forth in Rule 13a-14(b) or Rule 15d-14(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and Section 1350 of Chapter 63 of Title 18 of the United States Code (18 U.S.C. § 1350), Daniel P. Gold, the Chief Executive Officer of MEI Pharma, Inc. (the "Registrant"), and Thomas M. Zech, the Chief Financial Officer of the Registrant, each hereby certifies that, to his knowledge:

- 1. The Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended December 31, 2014, (the "Form 10-Q") to which this Certification is attached as Exhibit 32.1, fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; and
- 2. The information contained in the Form 10-Q fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition of the Registrant at the end of the period covered by the Form 10-Q and results of operations of the registrant for the period covered by the Form 10-Q.

These certifications accompanying the Form 10-Q to which they relate, are not deemed filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission and are not to be incorporated by reference into any filing of the registrant under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (whether made before or after the date of the Form 10-Q), irrespective of any general incorporation language contained in such filing.

Dated: February 5, 2015

/s/ Daniel P. Gold
Daniel P. Gold
Chief Executive Officer
(Principal Executive Officer)

/s/ Thomas M. Zech

Thomas M. Zech Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)