

# INVESTOR PRESENTATION

**THIRD QUARTER 2023** 

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In addition, this presentation includes non-GAAP gross margin, non-GAAP net income (loss), adjusted EBITDA, and non-GAAP earnings per share, which eliminate the impact of items that we do not consider indicative of our overall operating performance. Non-GAAP financial measures are not intended to be considered in isolation or as a substitute for results prepared in accordance with GAAP. A reconciliation between our GAAP and non-GAAP measures, as well as a discussion of why we present non-GAAP financial measures are included in our earnings press release that is available on our website and the appendix of this presentation.



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# INVESTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

- A Leader in Advanced Optics
- Dynamic Markets
- Marquee Customers
- Proprietary Manufacturing
- Diversifying Customer Base

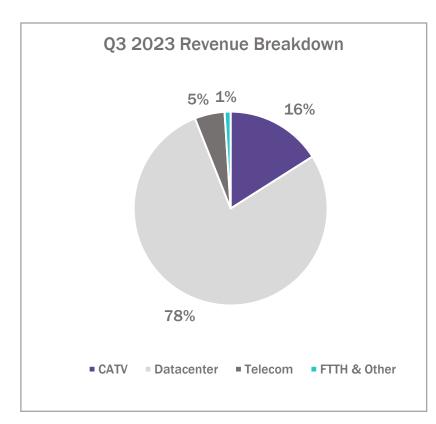


A leading provider of optical access products that enable the gigabit age



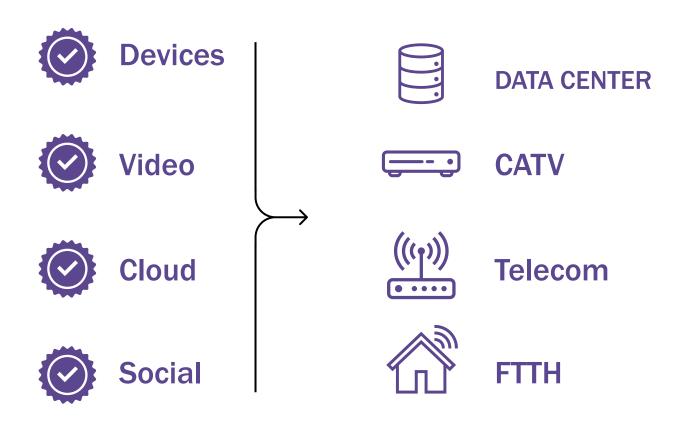
## Q3 2023 Highlights and Q4 2023 Outlook

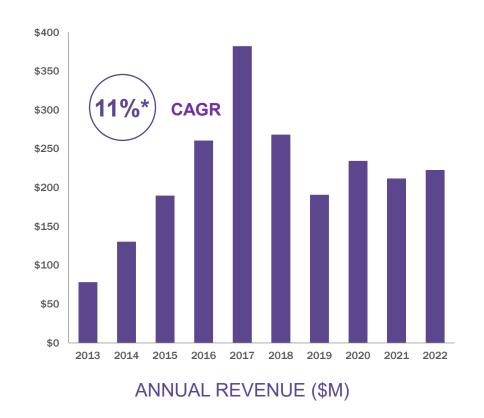
- Revenue of \$62.5 million, in-line with guidance range
  - Increase in revenue was largely driven by growth in 100G and 400G datacenter business
  - Revenue from 100G products nearly tripled year-over-year, while revenue for 400G products increased more than 10x in the same period
- Non-GAAP Gross Margin of 32.5% vs. 18.0% in Q3 2022, above guidance range
  - Increase in gross margin was driven mainly by favorable product mix and contribution from revenue recognized as part of the non-recurring revenue from Microsoft
- Fourth Quarter 2023 Guidance
  - Revenue in the range of \$63 million to \$67 million
  - Non-GAAP gross margin in the range of 34.5% to 36%
  - Non-GAAP net profit in the range of a loss of \$0.9 million to profit of \$1.2 million, and non-GAAP earnings per share in the range of a loss of \$0.02 to earnings of \$0.04 using approximately 35.1 million shares





### **Bandwidth Demand Drives Revenue**







## Four End-Markets With Strong Demand Drivers

#### **Cable Television**

#### **Datacenter**

#### **Telecommunications**

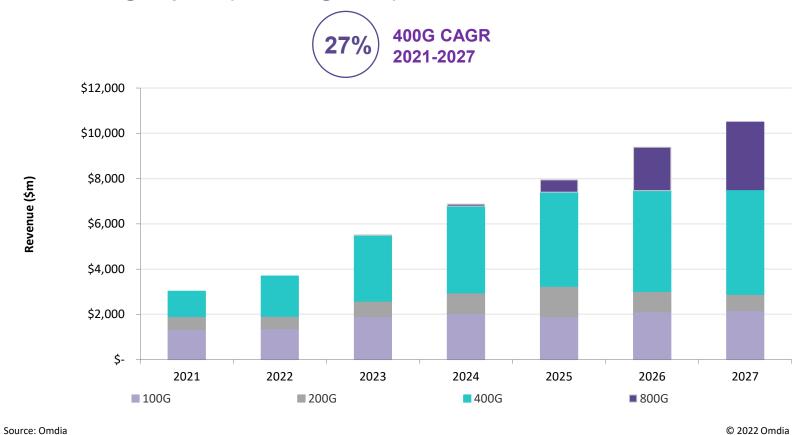
Fiber-to-the-Home

- DOCSIS 3.1 & 4.0 upgrade cycle
- International market opportunities
- Continued outsourcing of design and production
- Increasing size of datacenters
- Higher-speed interconnect 1G to (10G/40G/100G/200G/400G/800G)
- Continuous need to expand, refresh and replenish
- 5G LTE deployment
- Backbone network for datacenter interconnect
- Aging access networks in need of rebuild
- 10/25 Gbps FTTH networks to replace 2.5Gbps
- Telecom carriers need to fiberize to compete with CATV, new entrants
- Greenfield economics favor fiber deployment



## **Growth Expected in Datacenter Market**

Total High-Speed (100G or greater) Market to Exceed \$10 Billion in 2027



- Source: High-speed (from 100G to 800G) optical modules by data rate Forecast Report, 2021 2027 Omdia | 2022
- · Historical and future data is estimated, based upon a methodology developed by Omdia reseach



## DATACENTER MARKET CHARACTERISTICS DIFFER FROM CHARACTERISTICS OF TELECOM OPTICAL COMPONENT MARKET

**Vertical Integration & In-house Manufacturing** 

#### **DATACENTER MARKET**

- Rapid product development cycles favor controlling a substantial part of the manufacturing process
- Large production volume/relatively low diversity enables rapid ROI on factory equipment
- Integration of manufacturing process enhances efficiency

#### **TELECOM MARKET**

- Telecom applications have much longer production cycles
- Small volume/high diversity favors outsourcing
- Initial costs of integration are high, and only economical with high production volume



## **Growth Expected in Datacenter Market**

|                  | 100G Technology                  | Lasers   | # Fibers | Transceiver Cost*  | Fiber Cost/m*  | Optimal Distance<br>(d)  | 100G Technology                     |  |
|------------------|----------------------------------|--|----------|--------------------|----------------|--|-------------------------------------|--|
|                  | Short-Reach (SR) AOC             | 4xVCSEL  | 8        | \$                 | \$\$           | <150m  | Short-Reach (SR)<br>AOC             |  |
| Intra-Datacenter | Long-Reach, PSM-4                | 4x1310-nm DFB (AOI) OR ach, PSM-4 1x1310-nm high power + modulators (SiPh) |          | \$\$               | \$\$\$\$\$     | <b>1</b> 50m <d<500m< td=""><td colspan="2">Long-Reach, PSM-4</td></d<500m<> | Long-Reach, PSM-4                   |  |
|                  | Long-Reach, CWDM (CWDM-4, CLR-4) | 4xCWDM DFB   | 2        | \$\$\$             | \$\$\$         | 500m <d<2km< td=""><td>Long-Reach, CWDM<br/>(CWDM-4, CLR-4)</td></d<2km<>    | Long-Reach, CWDM<br>(CWDM-4, CLR-4) |  |
|                  | Extended Reach, 4WDM-10          | 4xCWDM   | 2        | \$\$\$\$           | <b>\$\$</b> \$ | 2km <d<10km< td=""><td>Extended Reach,<br/>4WDM-10</td></d<10km<>            | Extended Reach,<br>4WDM-10          |  |
| Intra-Datacenter | 100G-BASE-LR4                    | 4xWDM (cooled)   | 2        | \$\$\$\$\$\$       | <b>\$\$\$</b>  | 2km <d<10km< td=""><td>100G-BASE-LR4</td></d<10km<>                          | 100G-BASE-LR4                       |  |
| Intr             | Coherent (DP-QPSK)               | 1x1550 (tunable,<br>narrow linewidth)                                      | 2        | \$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$ | \$\$\$         | >80km  | Coherent (DP-QPSK)                  |  |

<sup>\*</sup> Symbols represent relative costs and are based on Company estimates



### **Current 400G Transceiver Form-factors**

#### **Considerations for Designers:**



**Backward Compatibility** 



**Connector Termination** 



Latch Mechanism



**Mating Process** 



Protruding area safety



Electrical/optical breakout



Thermal dissipation



Common management interface specification

| Reach Distance | Data Center Unique Spec | IEEE Standards | 100G single Lambda<br>MSA |
|----------------|-------------------------|----------------|---------------------------|
| 70m for OM3,   | -                       | 400G SR8*      | -                         |
| 100m for OM4   | -                       | 400G SR4.2     | -                         |
| F00            | -                       | 100G DR*       | -                         |
| 500m           | -                       | 400G DR4*      | -<br>-<br>-<br>100G FR*   |
| Olem           | -                       | -              | 100G FR*                  |
| 2km            | -                       | -              | 400G FR4*                 |
| 10km           | 400G DR4+*              | -              | -                         |



## **5G Requirements for Front/Mid-Haul Optics**

Small-Cell Proliferation and C-RAN Evolution Is Expected to Create Need for New Optical Solutions

#### 25 Gbps/50 Gbps/100 Gbps transceivers needed

#### Front-Haul:

- Link remote radio head (RRH) to base station
- Distances typically several km
- 25 Gbps in SFP-28 form factor
- Outdoor RRH may require high-temperature optics

#### Mid-Haul:

- Longer distances typical in C-RAN (Cloud-Radio Access Network)
- 50 Gbps/100Gbps over 10+ km
- Typically standard commercial temperature range



# VERTICAL INTEGRATION

A KEY DIFFERENTIATOR

- Faster time to market
- Cost advantages
- High yield manufacturing
- Flexible capacity support
- Rapid response to customer & market demand



## A Closer Look...

|   | CRYSTAL GROWTH<br>(Epitaxy)                        |   | AUTOMATION   |   | LIGHT ENGINE ASSEMBLY   |  |  |  |
|---|--|---|--|---|---|--|--|--|
|   | AOI's Differentiation:                             |   | AOI's Differentiation:                               |   | AOI's Differentiation:  |  |  |  |
|   | Combination of proprietary MBE and MOCVD processes |   | Custom-designed and proprietary production machinery |   | Robust silicon optical bench<br>platform technology leveraged across<br>40G, 100G, 200G and 400G products |  |  |  |
| • | Improved high-temp and high-speed performance      |   |  | • | Flexible manufacturing line between 40G   |  |  |  |
| • | Improved laser yield (low cost)                    | • | Decreased per-chip testing cost                      |   | /100G/200G/400G products  |  |  |  |
| • | DFB performance adequate for many applications     | • | Lower scrap rate = higher yield                      | • | More efficient R&D spend  |  |  |  |
|   | where competitors use EMLs                         | • | Scalable   | • | Decreased scrap rate  |  |  |  |
| • | EMLs for long-distance inter-DC/telecom            |   |  | • | Lower equipment depreciation  |  |  |  |



#### A Closer Look...

Automated Receiver Sub-Assembly Decreased Labor by 58% and Improved Quality Control



Automated Robotic Test
Stations Increase
Throughput, Decrease
Human Error in Handling

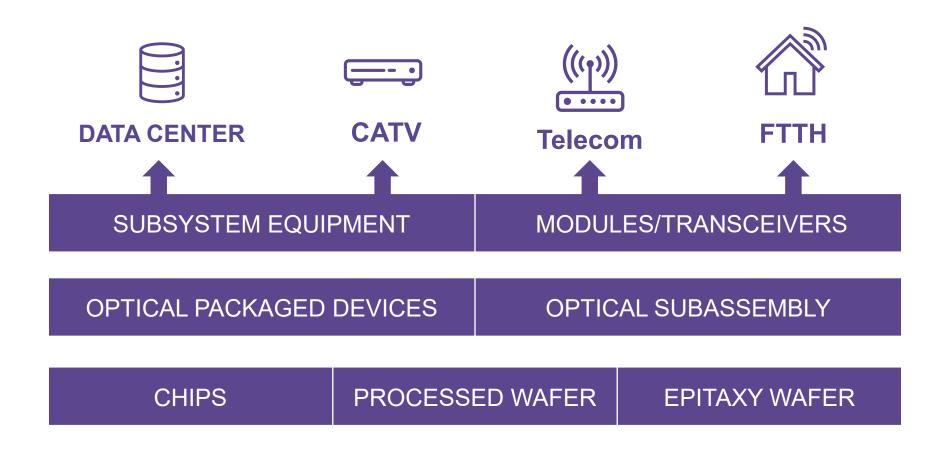


Automated Light Engine Final Assembly Decreased Labor by 85% and Improved Process Control and Quality



# Vertical Integration replicated across markets

In-house production and development of advanced laser diodes and light engines speeds time to market







#### **RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT**

- Excellent laser technology
- Proprietary Silicon Photonics Technology
- Strong R&D teams in all 3 sites from lasers, transceivers to equipment
- Customer NRE reimbursements

#### **MANUFACTURING & OPERATIONS**

- Experienced in high-volume manufacture
- Efficient supply chain
- Vertical integration from laser chips to transceivers to equipment with cost advantages

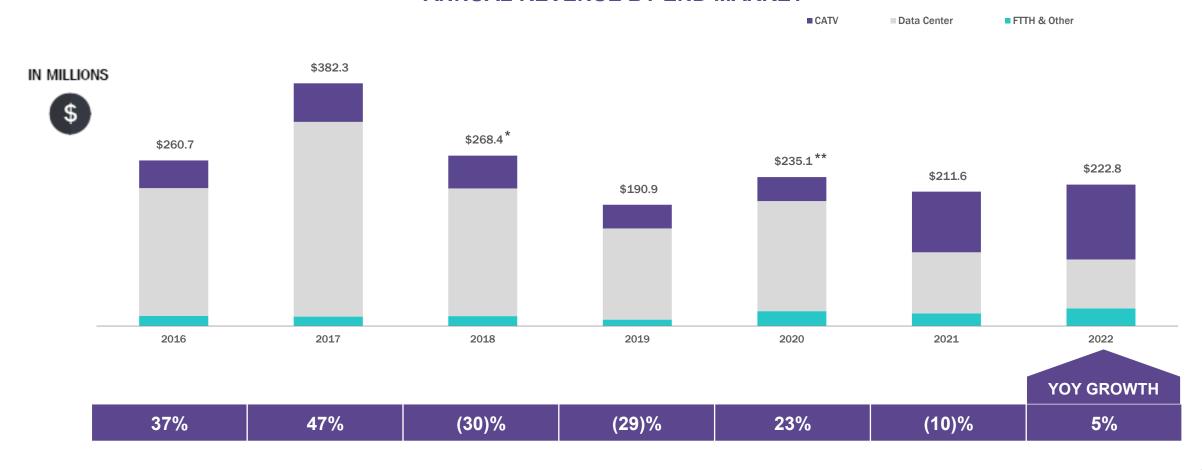


## **Financial Review**



### **Financial Performance**

#### ANNUAL REVENUE BY END MARKET



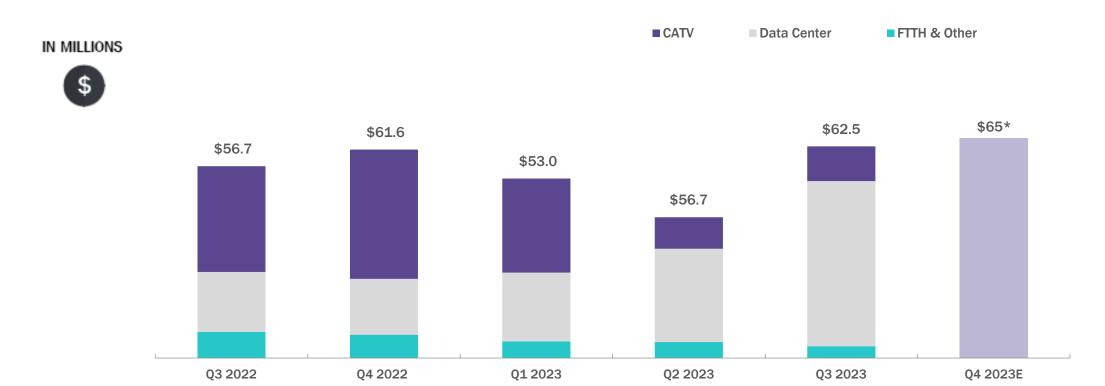
<sup>\*</sup> Reflects a \$900 thousand credit issued to a customer, which is adjusted out of our non-GAAP revenue in Q4/2018. All other revenue is on a GAAP basis.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Reflects a \$449 thousand credit issued to a customer, which is adjusted out of our non-GAAP revenue in Q4/2020. All other revenue is on a GAAP basis.



### **Recent Financial Performance**

#### **QUARTERLY REVENUE BY END MARKET**



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Q3/23 Results

**NON-GAAP\*** 

| \$ IN MILLIONS EXCEPT % | Q3/23   |
|-------------------------|---------|
| TOTAL REVENUE           | \$ 62.5 |
| CATV                    | \$ 10.3 |
| DATACENTER              | \$ 48.8 |
| TELECOM                 | \$ 3.1  |
| GROSS MARGIN            | 32.5%   |
| OPERATING LOSS          | \$ 1.0  |
| NET LOSS                | \$ 1.7  |
| CASH**                  | \$ 31.2 |

<sup>\*</sup>Please refer to the Safe Harbor statement on the use of Non-GAAP metrics, as well as the attached GAAP-non-GAAP reconciliation.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Cash: Cash, cash equivalents, short-term investments, and restricted cash.



## **Balance Sheet Highlights**

| IN MILLIONS                      | 9/30/2021    | 9/30/2022 | 9/30/2023    |
|----------------------------------|--------------|-----------|--------------|
| CASH <sup>(1)</sup>              | \$49         | \$35      | \$31         |
| WORKING CAPITAL <sup>(2)</sup>   | <b>\$107</b> | \$57      | \$(24)       |
| PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT, NET | \$242        | \$212     | <b>\$194</b> |
| TOTAL ASSETS                     | \$463        | \$414     | \$374        |
| TOTAL DEBT <sup>(3)</sup>        | \$67         | \$65      | \$46         |
| STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY             | \$264        | \$199     | \$178        |

<sup>(1)</sup> Cash: Cash, cash equivalents, short-term investments, and restricted cash.

<sup>(2)</sup> Working Capital: Total current assets less total current liabilities.

<sup>(3)</sup> Total Debt: Short-term loans, notes and bank acceptances payable and total long-term debt. Convertible notes outstanding are expected to be settled in common stock, not cash, so are excluded from total debt.



# INVESTMENT SUMMARY

- A leader In Advanced Optics
- Focus on fast growing markets including hyperscale datacenters
- Marquee global customers
- Extensive internally developed technology
- Manufacturing expertise creates differentiation & sustains margin
- Operating model provides significant leverage



# QUESTIONS



## **APPENDIX**



## **MANAGEMENT TEAM**



**Dr. Thompson Lin** FOUNDER, PRESIDENT & CEO

27+ YEARS



**Dr. Stefan Murry** CFO & CSO

27+ YEARS



Dr. Fred Chang
COMPONENT BU HEAD

22+ YEARS



Dr. Alex Anselm SEMICONDUCTOR PRODUCTS DIVISION HEAD

24+ YEARS



David Kuo
GENERAL COUNSEL & CHIEF
COMPLIANCE OFFICER

15+ YEARS



Joshua Yeh ASIA GM

18+ YEARS



## NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES

We provide non-GAAP gross margin, non-GAAP net income (loss), adjusted EBITDA, and non-GAAP earnings per share to eliminate the impact of items that we do not consider indicative of our overall operating performance. To arrive at our non-GAAP gross margin, we exclude stock-based compensation expense, expenses associated with discontinued products, and non-recurring (income) expenses, if any, from our GAAP gross margin. To arrive at our non-GAAP net income (loss), we exclude all amortization of intangible assets, stock-based compensation expense, non-recurring expenses, unrealized foreign exchange loss (gain), losses from the disposal of idle assets, if any, non-GAAP tax benefit (expenses), and expenses associated with discontinued products, from our GAAP net income (loss). Included in our non-recurring expenses in Q3 2023, Q3 2022 and Q2 2023 are certain non-recurring expenses related to extreme weather and pandemic events, non-recurring tax expenses or benefits (if any), and employee severance expenses (if any). Also included in our non-recurring expenses in Q3 2023, but not in Q3 2022 or Q2 2023 are certain non-recurring legal expenses associated with litigation and certain legal and advisory expenses associated with the termination of the purchase agreement with Yuhan Optoelectronic Technology (Shanghai) Co., Ltd. In computing our non-GAAP income tax benefit (expense), we have applied an estimate of our annual effective income tax rate and applied it to our net income before income taxes. Our adjusted EBITDA is calculated by excluding depreciation expense, non-GAAP net loss by the fully diluted share count (for periods in which non-GAAP net income is negative).

- We believe that our non-GAAP measures are useful to investors in evaluating our operating performance for the following reasons:
- We believe that elimination of items such as amortization of intangible assets, stock-based compensation expense, non-recurring revenue and expenses, losses from the disposal of idle assets, unrealized foreign exchange gain or loss, and depreciation on certain equipment undergoing reconfiguration is appropriate because treatment of these items may vary for reasons unrelated to our overall operating performance;
- We believe that elimination of expenses associated with discontinued products, including depreciation and inventory obsolescence is appropriate because these expenses are not indicative of our ongoing operations; We believe that estimating non-GAAP income taxes allows comparison with prior periods and provides additional information regarding the generation of potential future deferred tax assets;
- We believe that non-GAAP measures provide better comparability with our past financial performance, period-to-period results and with our peer companies, many of which also use similar non-GAAP financial measures; and
- We anticipate that investors and securities analysts will utilize non-GAAP measures as a supplement to GAAP measures to evaluate our overall operating performance.



## **NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES**

A reconciliation of our GAAP net income (loss) and GAAP earnings (loss) per share for Q3 2023 to our non-GAAP net income (loss) and earnings (loss) per share is provided in our Q3 2023 earnings press release and below, together with corresponding reconciliations for Q3 2022. A reconciliation of our GAAP net income (loss) and GAAP earnings (loss) per share for Q2 2023 to our non-GAAP net income (loss) and earnings (loss) per share was provided in our Q2 2023 earnings release.

Non-GAAP measures should not be considered as an alternative to net income (loss), earnings (loss) per share, or any other measure of financial performance calculated and presented in accordance with GAAP. Our non-GAAP measures may not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other organizations because other organizations may not calculate such other non-GAAP measures in the same manner. We have not reconciled the non-GAAP measures included in our guidance to the appropriate GAAP financial measures because the GAAP measures are not readily determinable on a forward-looking basis. GAAP measures that impact our non-GAAP financial measures may include stock-based compensation expense, non-recurring expenses, amortization of intangible assets, unrealized exchange loss (gain), asset impairment charges, and loss (gain) from disposal of idle assets. These GAAP measures cannot be reasonably predicted and may directly impact our non-GAAP gross margin, our non-GAAP net income and our non-GAAP fully-diluted earnings per share, although changes with respect to certain of these measures may offset other changes. In addition, certain of these measures are out of our control. Accordingly, a reconciliation of the non-GAAP financial measure guidance to the corresponding GAAP measures is not available without unreasonable effort.



## **NON-GAAP RECONCILIATION**

Applied Optoelectronics, Inc. GAAP to Non-GAAP Reconciliation (In thousands)

| (In thousands)<br>Preliminary Unaudited<br>_   | 3Q21                           | 4Q21                         | CY2021                        | 1Q22                         | 2Q22                        | 3Q22                         | 4Q22                        | CY2022                       | 1Q23                          | 2Q23                          | 3Q23                            |
|--|--------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| GAAP revenue  Non-recurring customer credit  | 53,267                         | 54,408                       | 211,565                       | 52,242                       | 52,299                      | 56,693                       | 61,584                      | 222,818                      | 53,030                        | 41,615                        | 62,547                          |
| Non-GAAP revenue   | 53,267                         | 54,408                       | 211,565                       | 52,242                       | 52,299                      | 56,693                       | 61,584                      | 222,818                      | 53,030                        | 41,615                        | 62,547                          |
| GAAP total gross profit  Non-recurring customer credit   | 8,124                          | 8,094                        | 37,715                        | 9,025                        | 8,628                       | 9,749                        | 6,225                       | 33,627                       | 9,244                         | 7,898                         | 20,174                          |
| Share-based compensation expense Non-recurring expense   | 222<br>52                      | 196<br>32                    | 886<br>118                    | 136                          | 114<br>-                    | 121<br>164                   | 118<br>5                    | 489<br>169                   | 114<br>-                      | 156<br>-                      | 124                             |
| Non-cash expenses associated with<br>discontinued products   | -                              | -                            | -                             | -                            | -                           | 92                           | -                           | 92                           | -                             | -                             | -                               |
| Expenses associated with discontinued products   | 2,220                          | 1,242                        | 7,212                         | -                            | -                           | 56                           | 6,802                       | 6,858                        | 2,962                         | 2,254                         | 29                              |
| Non-GAAP income from gross profit  | 10,618                         | 9,564                        | 45,931                        | 9,161                        | 8,742                       | 10,182                       | 13,150                      | 41,235                       | 12,320                        | 10,308                        | 20,327                          |
| GAAP research and development expense<br>Share-based compensation expense<br>Non-recurring expense                           | 10,149<br>490<br>-             | 9,229<br>491<br>427          | 41,220<br>2,174<br>480        | 9,486<br>365<br>6            | 8,328<br>310<br>1           | 9,206<br>343<br>2            | 9,224<br>313<br>4           | 36,244<br>1,331<br>13        | 8,536<br>297                  | 8,640<br>480                  | 9,457<br>358                    |
| Non-cash expenses associated with discontinued products  | _                              | -                            | 15                            | -                            | -                           | _                            | -                           | _                            | -                             | -                             | -                               |
| Non-GAAP research and development expense  | 9,659                          | 8,311                        | 38,551                        | 9,115                        | 8,017                       | 8,861                        | 8,907                       | 34,900                       | 8,239                         | 8,160                         | 9,099                           |
| GAAP sales and marketing expense<br>Share-based compensation expense<br>Non-recurring expense                                | 2,783<br>272                   | 2,324<br>295                 | 10,899<br>1,115<br>73         | 2,558<br>226<br>4            | 2,164<br>186                | 2,385<br>230<br>3            | 2,616<br>214<br>2           | 9,723<br>856<br>9            | 2,327<br>195                  | 2,269<br>291                  | 3,035<br>300                    |
| Non-GAAP sales and marketing expense   | 2,511                          | 2,029                        | 9,711                         | 2,328                        | 1,978                       | 2,152                        | 2,400                       | 8,858                        | 2,132                         | 1,978                         | 2,735                           |
| GAAP general and administrative expense<br>Share-based compensation expense<br>Amortization expense<br>Non-recurring expense | 10,645<br>2,147<br>146<br>(13) | 10,167<br>2,217<br>151<br>72 | 42,362<br>7,948<br>600<br>454 | 11,220<br>1,745<br>152<br>12 | 11,035<br>1,534<br>153<br>7 | 11,654<br>1,933<br>154<br>16 | 12,749<br>1,712<br>157<br>3 | 46,658<br>6,924<br>616<br>38 | 12,548<br>1,684<br>159<br>357 | 12,954<br>2,135<br>162<br>602 | 14,368<br>2,454<br>167<br>1,344 |
| Non-cash expenses associated with discontinued products  Non-GAAP general and administrative expense                         | 1,211<br>7,154                 | 1,173<br>6,554               | 4,796<br>28,564               | 1,166<br>8,145               | 1,103<br>8,238              | 1,117<br>8,434               | 1,147<br>9,730              | 4,533<br>34,547              | 1,162<br>9,186                | 1,148<br>8,907                | 864<br>9,539                    |
| GAAP total operating expense<br>Share-based compensation expense   | 23,577<br>2,909                | 21,720<br>3,003              | 94,481<br>11,237              | 23,264<br>2,336              | 21,527<br>2,030             | 23,245<br>2,506              | 24,589<br>2,239             | 92,625<br>9,111              | 23,411<br>2,176               | 23,863<br>2,906               | 26,860<br>3,112                 |
| Amortization expense Non-recurring expense Non-cash expenses associated with   | 146<br>(13)                    | 151<br>499                   | 600<br>1,007                  | 152<br>22                    | 153<br>8                    | 154<br>21                    | 157<br>9                    | 616<br>60                    | 159<br>357                    | 162<br>602                    | 167<br>1,344                    |
| discontinued products  Non-GAAP total operating expense  | 1,211<br>19,324                | 1,173<br>16,894              | 4,811<br>76,826               | 1,166<br>19,588              | 1,103<br>18,233             | 1,117<br>19,447              | 1,147<br>21,037             | 4,533<br>78,305              | 1,162<br>19,557               | 1,148<br>19,045               | 864<br>21,373                   |



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(In thousands)

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|---|---------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| GAAP operating income (loss)                                      | (15 452)            | (12 626)     | (EG 766)       | (14 220)     | (12 900)     | (12.406)     | (10.264)     | (58,998)     | (14 167)     | (15.065)     | (6,686)      |
| Non-recurring customer credit                                     | (15,453)            | (13,626)     | (56,766)       | (14,239)     | (12,899)     | (13,496)     | (18,364)     | (56,996)     | (14,167)     | (15,965)     | (0,000)      |
| Share-based compensation expense                                  | 3,131               | 3,199        | 12,123         | 2,472        | 2,145        | 2,626        | 2,357        | 9,600        | 2,290        | 3,062        | 3,236        |
| Amortization expense  | 146                 | 151          | 600            | 152          | 152          | 154          | 157          | 615          | 159          | 162          | 167          |
| Non-recurring expense   | 39                  | 531          | 1,125          | 22           | 8            | 185          | 14           | 229          | 357          | 602          | 1,344        |
| Expenses associated with discontinued products                    | 2,220               |              |                |              |              | 57           | 6,802        | 6,859        |              | 2.254        | 29           |
| Non-cash expenses associated with                                 | 2,220               | 1,242        | 7,212          | -            | -            | 57           | 0,002        | 0,009        | 2,962        | 2,254        | 29           |
| discontinued products   | 1,211               | 1,173        | 4,811          | 1,166        | 1,103        | 1,209        | 1,147        | 4,625        | 1,162        | 1,148        | 864          |
| Non-GAAP operating income (loss)                                  | (8,706)             | (7,330)      | (30,895)       | (10,427)     | (9,491)      | (9,265)      | (7,887)      | (37,070)     | (7,237)      | (8,737)      | (1,046)      |
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| GAAP other income (loss)  | (344)               | (912)        | 2,606          | (1,823)      | (1,557)      | (2,131)      | (1,886)      | (7,398)      | (2,125)      | (971)        | (2,267)      |
| Loss (gain) from disposal of idle assets                          | -                   | -            | -              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| Unrealized exchange loss (gain)                                   | 332                 | (339)        | 703            | 982          | 298          | 964          | (434)        | 1,810        | 1,109        | 66           | 423          |
| Non-recurring expense (income)                                    | -                   | -            | (6,299)        | 3            | -            | -            | -            | 3            | 0            | 0            | 0            |
| Non-GAAP other income (loss)                                      | (12)                | (1,251)      | (2,990)        | (838)        | (1,259)      | (1,167)      | (2,320)      | (5,585)      | (1,016)      | (905)        | (1,844)      |
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| GAAP net income (loss)  | (15,797)            | (14,540)     | (54,162)       | (16,062)     | (14,456)     | (15,627)     | (20,251)     | (66,397)     | (16,292)     | (16,944)     | (8,953)      |
| Non-recurring customer credit<br>Share-based compensation expense | 3,131               | 3,199        | 12,123         | 2,473        | 2,143        | 2,628        | 2,357        | 9,601        | 2,290        | 3,062        | 3,236        |
|   | 3, 131              | 3, 199       | 12,123         | 2,473        | 2, 143       | 2,020        | 2,337        | 9,001        | 2,290        | 3,002        | 3,230        |
| Expenses associated with discontinued products                    | 2,220               | 1,242        | 7,212          | -            | -            | 57           | 6,802        | 6,859        | 2,962        | 2,254        | 29           |
| Non-cash expenses associated with<br>discontinued products        | 1,211               | 1,173        | 4,811          | 1,166        | 1.102        | 1,209        | 1,147        | 4,624        | 1,162        | 1.148        | 864          |
| Amortization of intangible assets                                 | 1,211               | 1,173        | 600            | 1,100        | 1,102        | 1,209        | 157          | 616          | 1,102        | 162          | 167          |
| Non-recurring expense (income)                                    | 39                  | 531          | (5,174)        | 25           | 8            | 185          | 15           | 233          | 358          | 602          | 1,344        |
| Unrealized exchange loss (gain)                                   | 332                 | (339)        | 703            | 981          | 298          | 964          | (434)        | 1,809        | (1,109)      | (66)         | 423          |
| Non-GAAP Tax Benefit  | 3,427               | 3,101        | 13,489         | 3,394        | 3,151        | 3,302        | 4,793        | 14,640       | 3,327        | 3,710        | 1,200        |
| Non-GAAP net income (loss)  | (5,291)             | (5,482)      | (20,398)       | (7,871)      | (7,601)      | (7,128)      | (5,414)      | (28,015)     | (7,143)      | (6,072)      | (1,690)      |
|   | //= ===:            |              | (=4.400)       | / 40 000     | (44.450)     | //= 00T)     | (00.054)     | (00.00=)     | (10.000)     | /10.011      | (0.050)      |
| GAAP net income (loss)  | (15,797)            | (14,540)     | (54,162)       | (16,062)     | (14,456)     | (15,627)     | (20,251)     | (66,397)     | (16,292)     | (16,944)     | (8,953)      |
| Non-recurring customer credit<br>Share-based compensation expense | 3,131               | 3,199        | 12,123         | 2,472        | 2,144        | 2,629        | 2,358        | 9,603        | 2,290        | 3,062        | 3,236        |
|   | 3, 131              | 3, 199       | 12,123         | 2,412        | 2, 144       | 2,029        | 2,330        | 9,003        | 2,290        | 3,002        | 3,230        |
| Expenses associated with discontinued products                    | 2,220               | 1,242        | 7,212          | -            | -            | 57           | 6,802        | 6,859        | 2,962        | 2,254        | 29           |
| Non-cash expenses associated with                                 |                     |              |                |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| discontinued products   | 1,211               | 1,173        | 4,811          | 1,166        | 1,103        | 1,209        | 1,147        | 4,625        | 1,162        | 1,148        | 864          |
| Amortization of intangible assets                                 | 146<br>39           | 151<br>531   | 600<br>(5,174) | 152<br>25    | 153<br>8     | 154<br>185   | 158<br>14    | 617<br>232   | 159<br>358   | 162<br>602   | 167<br>1,344 |
| Non-recurring expense (income) Unrealized exchange loss (gain)    | 332                 | (339)        | 703            | 981          | 298          | 962          | (434)        | 1,807        | (1,109)      | (66)         | 423          |
| Tax (benefit) expense related to the above                        | 332                 | (339)        | 2              | 901          | 290          | 902          | (434)        | (1)          | (1,109)      | (00)         | 423          |
| Depreciation expense  | 4,936               | 4,846        | 19,922         | 4,790        | 4,631        | 4,339        | 4,200        | 17,960       | 4,007        | 3,882        | 3,946        |
| Loss (gain) from disposal of idle assets                          |                     |              | -              |              | ,            | -,000        | -,200        | 0            | -            | -            | -            |
| Interest (income) expense, net                                    | 1,342               | 1,441        | 5,549          | 1,373        | 1,377        | 1,590        | 1,852        | 6,192        | 2,104        | 2,138        | 1,924        |
| Adjusted EBITDA   | (2,440)             | (2,294)      | (8,414)        | (5,103)      | (4,742)      | (4,502)      | (4,155)      | (18,503)     | (4,359)      | (3,754)      | 2,980        |
| GAAP diluted net income (loss) per share                          | \$ (0.58) \$        | (0.54) \$    | (2.01)         | (0.58) \$    | (0.52) \$    | (0.56) \$    | 6 (0.71) \$  | (2.38) \$    | (0.56) \$    | (0.57) \$    | (0.27)       |
| Non-recurring customer credit                                     | - '                 | -            | - '            | - '          | - '          | - '          | -            | -            | -            | -            | -            |
| Share-based compensation expense                                  | 0.12                | 0.12         | 0.45           | 0.09         | 0.08         | 0.09         | 0.08         | 0.34         | 0.08         | 0.10         | 0.10         |
| Expenses associated with discontinued products                    | 0.08                | 0.05         | 0.27           | -            | -            | -            | 0.24         | 0.24         | 0.01         | 0.08         | 0.00         |
| Non-cash expenses associated with                                 | 0.04                | 0.04         | 0.40           | 0.04         | 0.04         | 0.04         | 0.04         | 0.47         | 0.04         | 0.04         | 0.00         |
| discontinued products   | 0.04<br>0.01        | 0.04<br>0.01 | 0.18<br>0.02   | 0.04<br>0.01 | 0.04<br>0.01 | 0.04<br>0.01 | 0.04<br>0.01 | 0.17<br>0.02 | 0.01<br>0.10 | 0.04<br>0.01 | 0.03<br>0.01 |
| Amortization of intangible assets Non-recurring expense (income)  | 0.01                | 0.01         | (0.19)         | 0.01         | 0.01         | 0.01         | 0.01         | 0.02         | 0.10         | 0.01         | 0.01         |
| Unrealized exchange loss (gain)                                   | 0.01                | (0.01)       | 0.03           | 0.04         | 0.01         | 0.01         | (0.02)       | 0.01         | (0.04)       | (0.01)       | 0.04         |
| Non-GAAP Tax Benefit  | 0.01                | 0.11         | 0.50           | 0.04         | 0.01         | 0.03         | 0.17         | 0.52         | 0.12         | 0.12         | 0.01         |
| Non-GAAP diluted net income (loss) per share                      | \$ (0.20) \$        | (0.20) \$    | (0.76)         | (0.29) \$    |              |              | (0.19) \$    | (1.01) \$    |              | (0.21) \$    | 0.05         |
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| Shares used to compute diluted earnings per share                 | 27,097              | 27,173       | 26,912         | 27,463       | 27,612       | 27,839       | 28,460       | 27,846       | 28,872       | 29,489       | 32,774       |