

Axogen, Inc Reports 2022 Fourth Quarter and Full-Year Financial Results

ALACHUA, Fla. and TAMPA, Fla., March 14, 2023 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Axogen, Inc. (NASDAQ: AXGN), a global leader in developing and marketing innovative surgical solutions for peripheral nerve injuries, today reported financial results and business highlights for the fourth quarter and full year ended December 31, 2022.

Fourth Quarter 2022 Financial Results and Business Highlights

- Fourth quarter revenue was \$36.2 million, a 17% increase compared to fourth quarter of 2021.*
- Gross margin was 83.0% for the fourth quarter compared to 82.8% in the fourth quarter of 2021.
- Net loss for the quarter was \$5.4 million, or \$0.13 per share, compared to net loss of \$5.3 million, or \$0.13 per share in the fourth quarter of 2021.
- Adjusted net loss for the quarter was \$1.1 million, or \$0.03 per share, compared to adjusted net loss of \$3.3 million, or \$0.08 per share, in the fourth quarter of 2021.
- Adjusted EBITDA loss was \$0.7 million for the quarter, compared to an adjusted EBITDA loss of \$2.5 million in the fourth quarter of 2021.
- The balance of all cash, cash equivalents, and investments on December 31, 2022 was \$55.0 million, as compared to a balance of \$59.4 million on September 30, 2022. The net change includes capital expenditures of \$5.5 million related to the construction of the company's new processing facility in Dayton, OH, partially offset by approximately \$1.1 million of positive cash flow.
- Core Accounts totaled 332, an increase of 1% sequentially, and 18% over an adjusted* prior year level of 282. Revenue from Core Accounts continued to represent approximately 60% of total revenue.
- Active Accounts totaled 968, up 2% sequentially, and 3% over an adjusted* prior year level of 941. Revenue from the top 10% of Active Accounts represents approximately 35% of total revenue.
- Ended the fourth quarter with 115 direct sales representatives compared to 111 at the end of the third quarter and 115 as of December 31, 2021.
- On January 5, 2023, the Company announced the independent publication of a comparative nerve gap repair meta-analysis of peer-reviewed studies of allograft, autograft, and conduits that included over 1,500 nerve repairs across 35 studies. The Company believes this provides the strongest clinical and economic evidence to-date of the performance of Avance[®] Nerve Graft across all gap lengths and nerve types.

"We are pleased with our solid performance this quarter and the second half of 2022 which saw improved surgical capacity and predictability in hospitals," commented Karen Zaderej, chairman, CEO, and president of Axogen, Inc. "We believe the combination of an improved hospital operating environment and commercial execution, backed by our high-quality portfolio of clinical data provides a solid foundation for long term, sustainable growth."

Full-Year Financial Results and Business Highlights

- Full-year 2022 revenue was \$138.6 million, a 12% increase compared to 2021 revenue of \$127.4 million.*
- Gross margin was 82.6% for the full year, compared to 82.0% in 2021.
- Adjusted net loss was \$12.6 million for the full year, or \$0.30 per share, compared to \$13.7 million for the full year, or \$0.33 per share in 2021.
- Adjusted EBITDA loss was \$9.3 million for the full year, compared to an adjusted EBITDA loss of \$9.3 million for 2021.
- In 2022, we surpassed 75,000 Avance Nerve Graft implants since 2007.
- Ended the year with a total of 215 peer-reviewed clinical publications featuring Axogen's nerve repair product portfolio, up from 181 the previous year.

2023 Financial Guidance

Management expects full-year 2023 revenue to be in the range of \$154 million to \$159 million. The company anticipates gross margin will be reduced in the first half of the year with the transition to the company's new processing facility and expects gross margins will return to approximately 80% by the fourth quarter of 2023.

*The Company voluntarily suspended market availability of Avive® Soft Tissue Membrane on June 1, 2021; and, therefore, no Avive revenue was recorded in 2022. Fourth quarter 2021 revenue included \$0.5 million from the reversal of a sales return reserve recorded in the second quarter of 2021, and full-year 2021 Avive revenue was approximately \$4.1 million. See table below for reconciliation of revenue as reported to revenue excluding the impact of Avive. For a reconciliation of adjusted Core and Active Account numbers, please see our Corporate Presentation on the investors page on www.axogeninc.com.

	For the three	e months end	For the full year ended					
Estimated Revenue	2022	2021	%	2022	2021	%		
As reported	\$ 36.2 \$	31.5	14%	\$ 138.6 \$	127.3	9%		
Avive	_	0.5	—%	_	4.1	—%		
Excluding Avive	\$ 36.2 \$	31.0	16%	\$ 138.6 \$	123.2	12%		

Post Quarter Updates

On March 12, 2023, the U.S. Federal Reserve, U.S. Department of Treasury and Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) issued a joint statement confirming that customers with deposits at Silicon Valley Bank, Santa Clara, California (SVB) "will have access to all of their money starting Monday, March 13." The news came after SVB was closed by the California Department of Financial Protection and Innovation on March 10, 2023, which appointed the FDIC as receiver.

The Company currently maintains approximately \$8 million of cash with SVB, the Company's sole depositor, which funds based on the announcement became available on Monday, March 13, 2023. The majority of the Company's other cash, cash equivalents, and investments, consisting of a variety of short-term and high-credit treasury and corporate bonds and other liquid investments, is held in custodial accounts with U.S. Bank for which SVB Asset Management is the advisor. The Company has opened new brokerage accounts with JP Morgan Chase ("JP Morgan") and has made arrangements to promptly move such cash, cash equivalents, and investments held by U.S. Bank into the new accounts with JP Morgan. The Company is in the process of opening other accounts with JP Morgan for operations.

Conference Call

The Company will host a conference call and webcast for the investment community today at 8:00 a.m. ET. Investors interested in participating in the conference call by phone may do so by dialing toll free at (877) 407-0993 or use the direct dial-in number at (201) 689-8795. Those interested in listening to the conference call live via the Internet may do so by visiting the Investors page of the Company's website at www.axogeninc.com and clicking on the webcast link.

Following the conference call, a replay will be available in the Investors section of the Company's website at www.axogeninc.com under Investors.

About Axogen

Axogen (AXGN) is the leading company focused specifically on the science, development, and commercialization of technologies for peripheral nerve regeneration and repair. Axogen employees are passionate about helping to restore peripheral nerve function and quality of life to patients with physical damage or transection to peripheral nerves by providing innovative, clinically proven, and economically effective repair solutions for surgeons and health care providers. Peripheral nerves provide the pathways for both motor and sensory signals throughout the body. Every day, people suffer traumatic injuries or undergo surgical procedures that impact the function of their peripheral nerves. Physical damage to a peripheral nerve, or the inability to properly reconnect peripheral nerves, can result in the loss of muscle or organ function, the loss of sensory feeling, or the initiation of pain.

Axogen's platform for peripheral nerve repair features a comprehensive portfolio of products, including Avance Nerve Graft, a biologically active off-the-shelf processed human nerve allograft for bridging severed peripheral nerves without the comorbidities associated with a second surgical site; Axoguard Nerve Connector[®], a porcine submucosa extracellular matrix (ECM) coaptation aid for tensionless repair of severed peripheral nerves; Axoguard Nerve Protector[®], a porcine submucosa ECM product used to wrap and protect damaged peripheral nerves and reinforce the nerve reconstruction while preventing soft tissue attachments; and Axoguard Nerve Cap[®], a porcine submucosa ECM product used to protect a peripheral nerve end and separate the nerve from the surrounding environment to reduce the development of symptomatic or painful neuroma. The Axogen portfolio of products is available in the United States, Canada, Germany, the United Kingdom, Spain, South Korea, and several other countries.

Cautionary Statements Concerning Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains "forward-looking" statements as defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements are based on management's current expectations or predictions of future conditions, events, or results based on various assumptions and management's estimates of trends and economic factors in the markets in which we are active, as well as our business plans. Words such as "expects," "anticipates," "intends," "plans," "believes," "seeks," "estimates," "projects," "forecasts," "continue," "may," "should," "will," "goals," and variations of such words and similar expressions are intended to identify such forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements include Ms. Zaderej's statement that improved hospital operating environment, strong product demand, and the company's portfolio of clinical data provide a solid foundation for long term, sustainable growth, as well as statements related to the 2023 financial outlook, including revenue range and gross margins. Actual results or events could differ materially from those described in any forward-looking statements as a result of various factors, including, without limitation, statements related to the continued impact of COVID-19, global supply chain issues, record inflation, the impacts of the failure of Silicon Valley Bank and recent turmoil in the banking industry, hospital staffing issues, product development, product potential, expected clinical enrollment timing and outcomes, regulatory process and approvals, APC renovation timing and expense, financial performance, sales growth, surgeon and product adoption, market awareness of our products, data validation, our visibility at and sponsorship of conferences and educational events, global business disruption caused by Russia's invasion of Ukraine and related sanctions, as well as those risk factors described under Part I, Item 1A., "Risk Factors," of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the most recently ended fiscal year. Forward-looking statements are not a guarantee of future performance, and actual results may differ materially from those projected. The forward-looking statements are representative only as of the date they are made and, except as required by applicable law, we assume no responsibility to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements.

About Non-GAAP Financial Measures

To supplement our consolidated financial statements, we use the non-GAAP financial measures of EBITDA, which measures earnings before interest, income taxes, depreciation and amortization, and Adjusted EBITDA which further excludes non-cash stock compensation expense and litigation and related expenses. We also use the non-GAAP financial measures of Adjusted Net Income or Loss and Adjusted Net Income or Loss Per Common Share - basic and diluted which excludes non-cash stock compensation expense and litigation and related expenses from Net Loss and Net Loss Per Common Share - basic and diluted, respectively. These non-GAAP measures are not based on any comprehensive set of accounting rules or principles and should not be considered a substitute for, or superior to, financial measures calculated in accordance with GAAP, and may be different from non-GAAP measures used by other companies. In addition, these non-GAAP measures should be read in conjunction with our financial statements prepared in accordance with GAAP. The reconciliations of the non-GAAP measures to the most directly comparable financial measures calculated and presented in accordance with GAAP should be carefully evaluated.

We use these non-GAAP financial measures for financial and operational decision-making and as a means to evaluate period-to-period comparisons. We believe that these non-GAAP

financial measures provide meaningful supplemental information regarding our performance and that both management and investors benefit from referring to these non-GAAP financial measures in assessing our performance and when planning, forecasting, and analyzing future periods. We believe these non-GAAP financial measures are useful to investors because (1) they allow for greater transparency with respect to key metrics used by management in its financial and operational decision-making and (2) they are used by our institutional investors and the analyst community to help them analyze the performance of our business, the Company's cash available for operations, and the Company's ability to meet future capital expenditure and working capital requirements.

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AXOGEN, INC. CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(unaudited)

December 31, 2022 and 2021

(In Thousands, Except Share and Per Share Amounts)

	December 31, 2022		D	ecember 31, 2021
Assets				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	15,284	\$	32,756
Restricted cash		6,251		6,251
Investments		33,505		51,330
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$650 and \$276, respectively		22,186		18,158
Inventory		18,905		16,693
Prepaid expenses and other		1,944		1,861
Total current assets		98,075		127,049
Property and equipment, net		79,294		62,923
Operating lease right-of-use assets		14,369		15,193
Intangible assets, net		3,649		2,859
Total assets	\$	195,387	\$	208,024
Liabilities and shareholders' equity				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	22,443	\$	22,459
Current maturities of long-term lease obligations		1,310		1,834
Total current liabilities		23,753		24,293
Long-term debt, net of debt discount and financing fees		45,712		44,821
Long-term lease obligations		20,405		20,798
Debt derivative liabilities		4,518		5,562
Total liabilities		94,388	_	95,474
Commitments and contingencies - see Note 14				
Shareholders' equity:				
Common stock, \$0.01 par value per share; 100,000,000 shares authorized; 42,445,517 and				
41,736,950 shares issued and outstanding		424		417
Additional paid-in capital		360,155		342,765
Accumulated deficit		(259,580)		(230,632)
Total shareholders' equity		100,999		112,550
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$	195,387	\$	208,024

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

Years ended December 31, 2022, 2021 and 2020

(In Thousands, Except Share and Per Share Amounts)

		2022		2021		2020
Revenues	\$	138,584	\$	127,358	\$	112,300
Cost of goods sold		24,147		22,931		21,581
Gross profit		114,437		104,427		90,719
Costs and expenses:						
Sales and marketing		80,228		73,328		69,659
Research and development		27,158		24,177		17,846
General and administrative		36,758		32,338		26,396
Total costs and expenses	·	144,144		129,843		113,901
Loss from operations	<u>-</u>	(29,707)		(25,416)		(23,182)
Other (expense) income:						
Investment income		569		93		605
Interest expense		(624)		(1,356)		(1,054)
Change in fair value of derivatives		1,044		(28)		(117)
Other expense		(230)		(278)		(38)
Total other income (expense), net		759		(1,569)		(604)
Net loss	\$	(28,948)	\$	(26,985)	\$	(23,786)
Weighted average common shares outstanding — basic and diluted	4	2,083,125	4	1,214,889	3	9,966,937
Loss per common share — basic and diluted	\$	(0.69)	\$	(0.65)	\$	(0.60)

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RECONCILIATION OF GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES TO NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES Three Months and Year Ended December 31, 2022 and 2021 (unaudited)

(In Thousands, Except Per Share Amounts)

	Three Months Ended				Year Ended			
	December 31, 2022		December 31, 2021		December 31, 2022			December 31, 2021
Net loss	\$	(5,415)	\$	(5,286)	\$	(28,948)	\$	(26,985)
Depreciation and amortization expense		713		716		3,093		2,923
Investment income		(397)		(13)		(569)		(93)
Income tax expense		125		138		189		205
Interest expense	Φ.	(40)	Φ.	(70)	<u></u>	624	Φ.	1,356
EBITDA - non GAAP	\$	(5,014)	\$	(4,515)	\$	(25,611)	\$	(22,594)
Non cash stock-based compensation expense		4,154		1,509		15,591		10,919
Litigation and related costs		177		505		761		2,369
Adjusted EBITDA - non GAAP	Φ.	(000)	ф.	(0.504)	r.	(0.050)	Φ.	(0.200)
	\$	(683)	\$	(2,501)	\$	(9,259)	\$	(9,306)
Net loss	\$	(5,415)	\$	(5,286)	\$	(28,948)	\$	(26,985)
Non cash stock-based compensation expense		4,154		1,509		15,591		10,919
Litigation and related costs		177		505		761		2,369
Adjusted net loss - non GAAP	\$	(1,083)	\$	(3,272)	\$	(12,596)	\$	(13,697)
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Weighted average common shares outstanding basic and diluted		42,306		41,593	_	42,083	_	41,215
Loss per common share — basic and diluted	\$	(0.13)	\$	(0.13)	\$	(0.69)	\$	(0.65)
Non cash stock-based compensation expense	\$	0.10	\$	0.04	\$	0.37	\$	0.26
Litigation and related costs	\$		\$	0.01	\$	0.02	\$	0.06
Adjusted net loss per common share - basis and diluted - non GAAP	\$	(0.03)	\$	(0.08)	\$	(0.30)	\$	(0.33)

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

Years ended December 31, 2022, 2021 and 2020

(In Thousands)

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	Common Stock Shares Amount		Additional		Total		
			Paid-in Capital	Accumulated Deficit	Sha	areholders' Equity	
Balance, December 31, 2019	39,590	\$ 396	\$ 311,618	\$ (179,861)	\$	132,153	
Stock-based compensation	_	_	8,470	_		8,470	
Issuance of restricted and performance stock units Shares surrendered by employees to pay tax	249	2	(2)	_		_	
withholdings Exercise of stock options and employee stock	(40)	_	(670)	_	\$	(670)	
purchase plan	572	6	3,294	_	\$	3,300	
Exercise of Credit Facility Option, net of settlement	248	2	3,680	_	\$	3,682	
Net loss				(23,786)		(23,786)	
Balance, December 31, 2020	40,619	406	326,390	(203,647)		123,149	
Stock-based compensation	_	_	10,919	_		10,919	
Issuance of restricted and performance stock units Exercise of stock options and employee stock	254	2	(2)	_		_	
purchase plan	864	9	5,458	_		5,467	
Net loss				(26,985)		(26,985)	
Balance, December 31, 2021	41,737	417	342,765	(230,632)		112,550	
Stock-based compensation	_	_	15,591	_		15,591	
Issuance of restricted and performance stock units Exercise of stock options and employee stock	343	3	(3)	_		_	
purchase plan	365	4	1,802	_		1,806	
Net loss				(28,948)		(28,948)	
Balance, December 31, 2022	42,445	\$ 424	\$ 360,155	\$ (259,580)	\$	100,999	

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

Years ended December 31, 2022, 2021 and 2020

(In Thousands)

	2022			2021		2020	
Cash flows from operating activities:							
Net loss	\$	(28,948)	\$	(26,985)	\$	(23,786)	
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities:		_		_			
Depreciation and amortization		2,827		2,744		1,530	
Amortization of right-of-use assets		1,761		1,795		1,777	
Amortization of intangible assets		265		202		153	
Amortization of debt discount and deferred financing fees		891		831		232	
Loss on disposal of equipment		_		_		3	
Provision for bad debt		612		(41)		(105)	
Provision for inventory write-down		1,769		3,314		2,242	
Investment losses (gains)		(228)		68		(47)	
Change in fair value of derivatives		(1,044)		28		117	
Stock-based compensation		15,591		10,919		8,470	
Change in operating assets and liabilities:							
Accounts receivable		(4,639)		(499)		(635)	
Inventory		(3,656)		(7,478)		(910)	
Prepaid expenses and other		(84)		2,435		(2,524)	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		660		(270)		4,958	
Operating lease obligations		(1,841)		(463)		(1,086)	
Cash paid for interest portion of finance leases		(2)		(2)		(3)	
Contract and other liabilities				(3)		(12)	
Net cash used in operating activities		(16,066)		(13,405)		(9,626)	
Cash flows from investing activities:							
Purchase of property and equipment		(20,078)		(27,811)		(21,905)	
Economic development grant proceeds		_		950		_	
Purchase of investments		(39,247)		(68,699)		(77,806)	
Proceeds from sale of investments		57,300		72,500		83,440	
Cash payments for intangible assets		(1,175)		(589)		(692)	
Net cash used in investing activities		(3,200)		(23,649)		(16,963)	
Cash flows from financing activities:			_	_		_	
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt		_		15,000		35,000	
Proceeds from the paycheck protection program loan				13,000		7,820	
Repayment of the paycheck protection program loan						(7,820)	
Proceeds from issuance of common stock						3,500	
Payments for debt issuance costs						(642)	
Cash paid for debt portion of finance leases		(12)		(15)		(14)	
Proceeds from exercise of stock options and ESPP stock purchases		1,806		5,467		3,300	
Payments of employee tax withholdings in exchange of common stock awards		1,000		5,407		(670)	
		1,794		20,452		40,474	
Net cash provided by financing activities							
Net (decrease) increase in cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash		(17,472)		(16,602)		13,885	
Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash, beginning of period	Φ.	39,007	Φ.	55,609	Φ.	41,724	
Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash, end of period	\$	21,535	Ъ	39,007	\$	55,609	



Source: Axogen, Inc.