

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): July 3, 2024

Emmaus Life Sciences, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

001-35527

(Commission File Number)

87-0419387

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

21250 Hawthorne Boulevard, Suite 800, Torrance, CA

(Address of principal executive offices)

90503

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (310) 214-0065

(Former name or former address, if changed, since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13a-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol	Name of each exchange on which registered
None		

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

**Item 2.02 Results of Operation and Financial Condition.**

On July 3, 2024, Emmaus Life Sciences, Inc. ("we," "us," "our," "Emmaus" or the "company") issued a press release announcing the results of operations and financial condition as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, a copy of which is included as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report and incorporated herein by reference.

The information included in this Item 2.02 and in Exhibit 99.1 shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Exchange Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(d) Exhibits

See the accompanying Index to Exhibits, which information is incorporated herein by reference.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

By: /s/ YASUSHI NAGASAKI

Name: Yasushi Nagasaki

Title: Chief Financial Officer

**INDEX TO EXHIBITS**

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	<a href="#">July 3, 2024 Press Release</a>
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within Inline XBRL document)



## Emmaus Life Sciences Reports 2023 Financial Results

**Torrance CA, July 3, 2024 - Emmaus Life Sciences, Inc. (OTCPK: EMMA)** a commercial-stage biopharmaceutical company and leader in the treatment of sickle cell disease, today reported on its financial condition and results of operations as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023.

### Recent Highlights

“We are pleased to report that we were able to increase annual net revenues in 2023 by nearly 61% as compared to 2022 on the strength of growth in sales in the MENA region, as well as in the U.S. As a result of the increased net revenues and the elimination of spending unrelated to Endari sales, we were able to increase income from operations by approximately \$10 million to \$3.5 million and to reduce our net loss by \$6.9 million to \$3.7 million,” remarked Willis Lee, Chairman of the Board and Co-president of Emmaus. “We also achieved an important strategic objective in the fourth quarter of the year by disposing of our equity interest in our former Japanese joint venture,” he added.

“The much-improved financial results for 2023 accomplished under our new management were adversely affected by a slowdown in Endari sales in the fourth quarter due to a shortage of finished goods inventory, which also has had a material, adverse impact on sales in Q1 2024 and to date in Q2,” noted George Sekulich, Emmaus’s Co-President and Chief Commercial Officer. “We have now remedied the shortage and begun fulfilling our order backlog, which stood at approximately \$4.6 million as of May 24, 2024. We are also working with alternative manufacturers to avoid similar shortages in the future,” he added.

### Financial and Operating Results

**Net Revenues.** Net revenues for the year were \$29.6 million, the highest annual revenues to date, compared to \$18.4 million in 2022. The increased net revenues were attributable to substantially increased net revenues from sales in the Middle East North Africa (MENA) region, as well as increased U.S. sales compared to 2022.

**Operating Expenses.** Total operating expenses for the year were \$24.7 million compared with \$22.4 million in 2022. The increase was due primarily to increases of \$1.7 million in general and administrative expenses and, \$1.1 million in selling expenses, partially offset by a \$0.5 million decrease in research and development expenses.

**Income From Operations.** Income from operations for the year was \$3.5 million compared to a loss from operations of \$6.6 million in 2022. The increase resulted from higher net revenues, partially offset by increased general and administrative expenses and selling expenses compared to 2022.

**Other Expense.** The company incurred other expense of \$7.3 million for the year compared to \$4.0 million in 2022. The increase was due primarily to an increase of \$2.4 million in interest expenses, a decrease of \$1.5 million in change in fair value of conversion feature derivative attributable to our notes payable compared to 2022 and a \$0.3 million increase in loss on debt extinguishment, partially offset by a \$0.9 million reduced foreign exchange loss.

**Net Loss.** For the year, the company realized net loss of \$3.7 million, or \$0.07 per share based on approximately 53.1 million weighted average basic common shares, compared a net loss of \$10.6 million, or \$0.21 per share based on approximately 49.4 million weighted average basic and diluted common shares in 2022. The decrease in net loss was primarily attributable to the increase in income from operations, partially offset by the increase in other expense.

**Liquidity and Capital Resources.** At December 31, 2023, the company had cash and cash equivalents of \$2.5 million, compared with \$2.0 million on December 31, 2022.

### About Emmaus Life Sciences

Emmaus Life Sciences, Inc. is a commercial-stage biopharmaceutical company and leader in the treatment of sickle cell disease. Endari<sup>®</sup> (L-glutamine oral powder), indicated to reduce the acute complications of sickle cell disease in adults and children 5 years and older, is approved for marketing in the United States, Israel, Kuwait, Qatar, the United Arab Emirates, Bahrain and Oman and is available on a named patient or early access basis in France, the Netherlands, and the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, where Emmaus’ application for marketing authorization is awaiting final action by the Saudi Food & Drug Authority. For more information, please visit [www.emmausmedical.com](http://www.emmausmedical.com).

**About Endari<sup>®</sup>** (prescription grade L-glutamine oral powder)

Endari<sup>®</sup>, Emmaus’ prescription grade L-glutamine oral powder, was approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) in July 2017 for treating sickle cell disease in adult and pediatric patients five years of age and older.

### Indication

Endari<sup>®</sup> is indicated to reduce the acute complications of sickle cell disease in adult and pediatric patients five years of age and older.

### Important Safety Information

The most common adverse reactions (incidence >10 percent) in clinical studies were constipation, nausea, headache, abdominal pain, cough, pain in extremities, back pain, and chest pain.

Adverse reactions leading to treatment discontinuation included one case each of hypersplenism, abdominal pain, dyspepsia, burning sensation, and hot flash.

The safety and efficacy of Endari<sup>®</sup> in pediatric patients with sickle cell disease younger than five years of age has not been established.

For more information, please see full Prescribing Information of Endari<sup>®</sup> at: [www.ENDARIRx.com/PI](http://www.ENDARIRx.com/PI).

## About Sickle Cell Disease

There are approximately 100,000 people living with sickle cell disease (SCD) in the United States and millions more globally. The sickle gene is found in every ethnic group, not just among those of African descent; and in the United States an estimated 1-in-365 African Americans and 1-in-16,300 Hispanic Americans are born with SCD. <sup>1</sup> The genetic mutation responsible for SCD causes an individual's red blood cells to distort into a "C" or a sickle shape, reducing their ability to transport oxygen throughout the body. These sickled red blood cells break down rapidly, become very sticky, and develop a propensity to clump together, which causes them to become stuck and cause damage within blood vessels. The result is reduced blood flow to distal organs, which leads to physical symptoms of incapacitating pain, tissue and organ damage, and early death.<sup>2</sup>

## Forward-looking Statements

This press release contains forward-looking statements made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, as amended, including statements regarding the trend in sales in the MENA region and in the U.S. These forward-looking statements are subject to numerous assumptions, risks and uncertainties which change over time, including the company's need to restructure or refinance its existing indebtedness and raise additional funds from related-party loans, third-party loans or other financing to meet its current liabilities and fund its business and operations and doubt about the company's ability to continue as a going concern and other factors disclosed in the company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2023, and actual results may differ materially. Such forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made, and Emmaus assumes no duty to update them, except as may be required by law.

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(Financial Tables Follow)

<sup>1</sup> Source: Data & Statistics on Sickle Cell Disease – National Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, December 2020.

<sup>2</sup> Source: Committee on Addressing Sickle Cell Disease – A Strategic Plan and Blueprint for Action -- National Academy of Sciences Press, 2020.

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### Emmaus Life Sciences, Inc. Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations and Comprehensive Income Loss (In thousands, except share and per share amounts)

	Years Ended December 31	
	2023	2022
Revenues, Net	\$ 29,597	\$ 18,390
Cost of Goods Sold	1,342	2,588
Gross Profit	28,255	15,802
Operating Expenses	24,715	22,388
Income (Loss) from Operations	3,540	(6,586)
Total Other Expense	(7,332)	(3,979)
Net Loss	(3,733)	(10,625)
Comprehensive Loss	(1,274)	(12,989)
Net Loss per Share	\$ (0.07)	\$ (0.21)
Weighted Average Common Shares Outstanding	53,105,388	49,439,867

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### Emmaus Life Sciences, Inc. Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (In thousands)

	As of December 31,	
	2023	2022
Assets		
Current Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,547	\$ 2,021
Accounts receivable, net	5,524	375
Inventories, net	1,711	2,379
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	1,727	1,514
Total Current Assets	11,509	6,289
Property and Equipment, net	59	75
Equity method investment	-	18,828
Right of use assets	2,337	2,799
Investment in convertible bond	20,978	19,971
Other Assets	296	263
Total Assets	\$ 35,179	\$ 48,225
Liabilities and Stockholders' Deficit		
Current Liabilities:		

Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 17,725	\$ 13,549
Conversion feature derivative, notes payable	451	3,248
Notes payable, current portion	8,215	6,814
Convertible notes payable, net of discount	16,383	14,655
Other current liabilities	18,733	16,057
Total Current Liabilities	<u>61,507</u>	<u>54,323</u>
Notes payable, less current portion	-	380
Other long-term liabilities	21,428	27,613
Total Liabilities	<u>82,935</u>	<u>82,316</u>
Stockholders' Deficit	<u>(47,756)</u>	<u>(34,091)</u>
Total Liabilities & Stockholders' Deficit	<u>\$ 35,179</u>	<u>\$ 48,225</u>