# 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): October 18, 2023

# LeMaitre Vascular, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission File Number: 001-33092

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 04-2825458 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

## 63 Second Avenue Burlington, MA 01803 (Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

781-221-2266

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

## (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 240.13e-4(c))

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

Title of each class	Trading symbol	Name of exchange on which registered					
Common stock, \$0.01 par value per share	LMAT	The Nasdaq Global Market					

Indicate by checkmark whether the company 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 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On October 18, 2023, LeMaitre Vascular, Inc. (the "Company") entered into amendments ("Amendments") to its leases for its headquarter properties located at 32-34 Third Avenue and 43, 53 and 63 Second Avenue in Burlington, Massachusetts. The counterparty to the amendment to the lease for 32-34 Third Avenue is NWP RETAIL 18 LLC. The counterparty to the amendment to the lease for 43 Second Avenue is NWP BUILDING 3 LLC. The counterparty to the amendment to the lease for 63 Second Avenue is NWP BUILDING 5 LLC. The Amendments extend the terms of those leases to December 31, 2034, and set forth monthly rental rates for the extended terms of those leases, which increase in each year of the extended terms. The Company has no option to extend or renew the lease beyond December 31, 2034. The foregoing description of the Amendments is not complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of such documents.

#### Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On November 1, 2023, the Company issued a press release regarding its preliminary financial and operational results for the quarter ended September 30, 2023. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Report.

The information in this Item 2.02, including Exhibit 99.1 attached hereto, is intended to be furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "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 filing.

#### **Disclaimer on Forward-Looking Statements**

This current report on Form 8-K contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the U.S. Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Statements regarding the Company's business that are not historical facts may be "forward-looking statements" that involve risks and uncertainties. Forward-looking statements are based on management's current, preliminary expectations and are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ from the results predicted. These risks and uncertainties include risks and uncertainties included under the heading "Risk Factors" in the Company's most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K, as updated by its subsequent filings with the SEC, all of which are available on the Company's investor relations website at http://www.lemaitre.com and on the SEC's website at http://www.sec.gov. Undue reliance should not be placed on forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date they are made. The Company undertakes no obligation to update publicly any forward-looking statements to reflect new information, events, or circumstances after the date they were made, or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

The following exhibits are furnished or filed as part of this Report, as applicable:

(d) Ex	hibits.
Exhibit No.	Description
99.1 104	<u>Press release issued by LeMaitre Vascular, Inc. on November 1, 2023.</u> Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

## Signature(s)

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.

LeMaitre Vascular, Inc.

Date: November 1, 2023

By: Joseph P. Pellegrino, Jr. /s/ JOSEPH P. PELLEGRINO, JR. Joseph P. Pellegrino, Jr. Chief Financial Officer

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#### LeMaitre Q3 2023 Financial Results

BURLINGTON, MA, November 1, 2023 - LeMaitre (Nasdaq:LMAT), a provider of vascular devices, implants and services, today reported Q3 2023 results, announced a \$0.14/share quarterly dividend and provided guidance.

#### Q3 2023 Financial Results

- Sales \$47.4mm, +21% (+16% organic) vs. Q3 2022
- Gross margin 65.0%, +80 bps
- Op. income \$9.2mm, +49%
- Op. margin 19%
- Net income \$7.5mm, +38%
- Earnings per diluted share \$0.33, +36%
- Cash up \$6.8mm to \$97.0mm

Bovine patches (+22%), valvulotomes (+27%), bovine grafts (+15%) and carotid shunts (+24%) drove Q3 sales. APAC sales increased 30%, EMEA 24% and the Americas 20%.

The gross margin increased to 65.0% in Q3 (vs. 64.2% in Q3 2022) driven largely by price increases.

Operating income of \$9.2mm was up 49% vs. Q3 2022. Operating expenses grew 14% year-over-year due to sales rep growth (118 to 136) and higher commissions, as well as CE-related regulatory costs.

George LeMaitre, Chairman and CEO, said "21% sales growth in Q3 and 49% op. income growth resulted from price increases, restrained op. expenses and a return-to-hospital by patients and staff. Our profitability and \$97.0mm cash-on-hand provide safety and strategic optionality."

#### **Business Outlook**

	Q4 2023 Guidance	Full Year 2023 Guidance
Sales	\$48.0mm - \$50.0mm	\$192.6mm - \$194.6mm
Sales	(Mid: \$49.0mm, +20%, +16% Org.)	(Mid: \$193.6mm, +20%, +17% Org.)
Gross Margin	65.0%	64.9%
Op. Inc.	\$9.4mm - \$10.7mm	\$35.9mm - \$37.2mm
	(Mid: \$10.0mm, +44%)	(Mid \$36.5mm, +36%)
Op. Inc. Ex-Special*		\$36.4mm - \$37.7mm
	-	(Mid \$37.0mm, +24%)
EPS	\$0.34 - \$0.38	\$1.30 - \$1.35
EP5	(Mid: \$0.36, +43%)	(Mid: \$1.33, +42%)
EDS Ex Special*		\$1.32 - \$1.36
EPS Ex-Special*	-	(Mid: \$1.34, +26%)

\*Special charges are related to the St. Etienne factory closure.

#### **Quarterly Dividend**

On October 24, 2023, the Company's Board of Directors approved a quarterly dividend of \$0.14/share of common stock. The dividend will be paid on November 30, 2023 to shareholders of record on November 16, 2023.

#### **Share Repurchase Program**

On February 21, 2023, the Company's Board of Directors authorized the repurchase of up to \$25.0mm of the Company's common stock. The repurchase program may be suspended or discontinued at any time and will conclude on February 21, 2024, unless extended by the Board.

### **Conference Call Reminder**

Management will conduct a conference call at 5:00pm ET today. The conference call will be broadcast live over the Internet. Individuals interested in listening to the webcast can log on to the Company's website at www.lemaitre.com/investor. Access to the live call is available by registering online <u>here</u>. All registrants will receive dial-in information and a PIN allowing them to access the live call. The audio webcast can also be accessed live or via replay through a webcast at <u>http://www.lemaitre.com/investor</u>. For individuals unable to join the live conference call, a replay will be available on the Company's website.

A reconciliation of GAAP to non-GAAP results is included in the tables attached to this release.

### About LeMaitre

LeMaitre is a provider of devices, implants and services for the treatment of peripheral vascular disease, a condition that affects more than 200 million people worldwide. The Company develops, manufactures and markets disposable and implantable vascular devices to address the needs of its core customer, the vascular surgeon.

LeMaitre is a registered trademark of LeMaitre Vascular, Inc. This press release may include other trademarks and trade names of the Company.

For more information about the Company, please visit http://www.lemaitre.com.

#### **Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures**

LeMaitre management believes that in order to better understand the Company's short- and long-term financial trends, investors may wish to consider certain non-GAAP financial measures as a supplement to financial performance measures prepared in accordance with GAAP. Non-GAAP financial measures are not based on a comprehensive set of accounting rules or principles and do not have standardized meanings. These non-GAAP measures result from facts and circumstances that may vary in frequency and/or impact on continuing operations. Non-GAAP measures should be considered in addition to, and not as a substitute for, financial performance measures in accordance with GAAP. In addition to the description provided below, reconciliation of GAAP to non-GAAP results is provided in the financial statement tables included in this press release.

In this press release, the Company has reported non-GAAP sales growth percentages after adjusting for the impact of foreign currency exchange, business development transactions, and/or other events, including EBITDA. This press release also provides guidance for operating income and EPS excluding the special charge relating to the closure of our St. Etienne factory and revenue related the Aziyo distribution agreement. The Company refers to the calculation of non-GAAP sales growth percentages as "organic." The Company analyzes non-GAAP sales on a constant currency basis, net of acquisitions and other non-recurring events, and the aforementioned non-GAAP profitability measures to better measure the comparability of results between periods. Because changes in foreign currency exchange rates have a non-operating impact on net sales, and acquisitions, divestitures, product discontinuations, factory closures, and other strategic transactions are episodic in nature and are highly variable to the reported sales results, the Company believes that evaluating growth in sales on a constant currency basis net of such transactions provides an additional and meaningful assessment of sales to management. The Company believes that the presentation of guidance described above for operating income and EPS provides an alternative and meaningful view of the Company's profitability.

#### **Forward-Looking Statements**

The Company's current financial results, as discussed in this release, are preliminary and unaudited, and subject to adjustment. This press release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the U.S. Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Statements in this press release regarding the Company's business that are not historical facts may be "forward-looking statements" that involve risks and uncertainties. Forward-looking statements are based on management's current, preliminary expectations and are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ from the results expected, including, but not limited to, the status of our global regulatory approvals and compliance with regulatory requirements to market and sell our products both in the U.S. and outside of the U.S.; the risk of significant fluctuations in our quarterly and annual results due to numerous factors; the risk that assumptions about the market for the Company's products and the productivity of the Company's direct sales force and distributors may not be correct; the risk that we may not be able to maintain our recent levels of profitability; the risk that the Company may not realize the anticipated benefits of its strategic activities; risks related to the integration of acquisition targets; the acceleration or deceleration of product growth rates; risks related to product demand and market acceptance of the Company's products and pricing; the risk that a recall of our products could result in significant costs or negative publicity; the risk that the Company is not successful in transitioning to a direct-selling model in new territories and other risks and uncertainties included under the heading "Risk Factors" in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K, as updated by our subsequent filings with the SEC, which are all available on the Company's investor relations website at http://www.lemaitre.com and on the SEC's website at http://www.sec.gov. Undue reliance should not be placed on forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date they are made. The Company undertakes no obligation to update publicly any forward-looking statements to reflect new information, events, or circumstances after the date they were made, or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

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# LEMAITRE VASCULAR, INC. (NASDAQ: LMAT) CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(amounts in thousands)

Assets Current assets: Cash and cash equivalents Short-term marketable securities Accounts receivable, net Inventory and other deferred costs Prepaid expenses and other current assets Total current assets Property and equipment, net Right-of-use leased assets Goodwill Other intangibles, net Deferred tax assets Other assets Total assets S Liabilities and stockholders' equity Current liabilities: Accounts payable Accuust expenses Acquisition-related obligations Lease liabilities - short-term	18,051 78,967 23,882 56,187 5,097 182,184 21,357 15,850 65,945	\$	19,134 63,557 22,040 50,271 <u>6,731</u> 161,733
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Other assets <u>\$</u> Total assets <u>\$</u> Liabilities and stockholders' equity Current liabilities: Accounts payable \$ Accrued expenses Accrued expenses Acquisition-related obligations	43,199		46,527
Total assets       \$         Liabilities and stockholders' equity       \$         Current liabilities:       \$         Accounts payable       \$         Accrued expenses       \$         Acquisition-related obligations       \$	2,325		1,745
Liabilities and stockholders' equity Current liabilities: Accounts payable \$ Accrued expenses Acquisition-related obligations	3,152		991
Liabilities and stockholders' equity Current liabilities: Accounts payable \$ Accrued expenses Acquisition-related obligations	334,012	\$	310,476
Current liabilities: Accounts payable \$ Accrued expenses Acquisition-related obligations		<b></b>	010,170
Accounts payable\$Accrued expenses\$Acquisition-related obligations\$			
Accrued expenses Acquisition-related obligations			
Accrued expenses Acquisition-related obligations	4,371	\$	2,903
Acquisition-related obligations	21,788		19,967
	121		573
Lease induinties - short-term	2,749		1,886
Total current liabilities	29,029		25,329
Lease liabilities - long-term	14,132		14,710
Deferred tax liabilities	69		69
Other long-term liabilities	2,145		2,167
Total liabilities	45,375		42,275
Stockholders' equity			
Common stock	239		237
Additional paid-in capital	198,254		189,268
Retained earnings	110,081		97,773
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(6,705)		(6,031)
Treasury stock	(13,232)		(13,046)
Total stockholders' equity	288,637		268,201
	200,037		200,201
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity		\$	310,476

# LEMAITRE VASCULAR, INC. (NASDAQ: LMAT) CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

(amounts in thousands, except per share amounts) (unaudited)

	For the three months ended					For the nine months ended					
	Sept	ember 30, 2023		ember 30, 2022	Sept	tember 30, 2023	September 30, 2022				
Net sales	\$	47,411	\$	39,028	\$	144,601	\$	120,697			
Cost of sales		16,596		13,958		50,817		41,855			
Gross profit		30,815		25,070		93,784		78,842			
Operating expenses:											
Sales and marketing		9,673		8,229		30,786		24,321			
General and administrative		7,738		7,229		23,392		21,812			
Research and development		4,224		3,462		12,615		9,740			
Restructuring		-		-		485		3,107			
Total operating expenses		21,635		18,920		67,278		58,980			
Income from operations		9,180		6,150		26,506		19,862			
Other income (expense):											
Interest income		835		264		2,085		539			
Foreign currency gain (loss)		(189)		(266)		(429)		(709)			
Income before income taxes		9,826		6,148		28,162		19,692			
Provision for income taxes		2,324		692		6,522		4,683			
Net income	\$	7,502	\$	5,456	\$	21,640	\$	15,009			
Earnings per share of common stock											
Basic	\$	0.34	\$	0.25	\$	0.97	\$	0.68			
Diluted	\$	0.33	\$	0.25	\$	0.97	\$	0.68			
Weighted - average shares outstanding:											
Basic		22,263		21,984		22,196		21,959			
Diluted		22,481		22,217		22,411		22,149			
Cash dividends declared per common share	\$	0.140	\$	0.125	\$	0.420	\$	0.375			

## LEMAITRE VASCULAR, INC. (NASDAQ: LMAT) SELECTED NET SALES INFORMATION (amounts in thousands)

(unaudited)

	For the three months ended								For the nine months ended								
	 September 30, 2023			September 30, 2022			September 30, 2023				September 30, 2022			2			
	 \$	%			\$	%			\$	%			\$	%			
<u>Net Sales by Geography</u>																	
Americas	\$ 31,863		67%	\$	26,627		68%	\$	97,496		67%	\$	82,024		68%		
Europe, Middle East and																	
Africa	12,322		26%		9,922		25%		38,179		26%		31,165		26%		
Asia Pacific	3,226		7%		2,479		7%		8,926		7%		7,508		6%		
Total Net Sales	\$ 47,411		100%	\$	39,028		100%	\$	144,601		100%	\$	120,697		100%		

# LEMAITRE VASCULAR, INC (NASDAQ: LMAT) NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES

(amounts in thousands) (unaudited)

		For the three	month	ns ended		For the nine r	nonths ended		
	September 30,         September 30,           2023         2022		Se	ptember 30, 2023	Se	ptember 30, 2022			
Reconciliation between GAAP and Non-GAAP EBITDA									
Net income as reported	\$	7,502	\$	5,456	\$	21,640	\$	15,009	
Interest (income) expense, net		(835)		(264)		(2,085)		(539)	
Amortization and depreciation expense		2,395		2,328		7,072		7,145	
Provision for income taxes		2,324		692		6,522		4,683	
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EBITDA	\$	11,386	\$	8,212	\$	33,149	\$	26,298	
EBITDA percentage increase				39%				26%	

# LEMAITRE VASCULAR, INC. (NASDAQ: LMAT) NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES

(amounts in thousands)

(unaudited)

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Reconciliation between GAAP and Non-GAAP sales growth: For the three months ended September 30, 2023					
Net sales as reported	\$	47,411			
Net distribution sales	Ψ	(1,341)			
Impact of currency exchange rate fluctuations		(728)			
Adjusted net sales			\$	45,342	
For the three months ended September 30, 2022	*	00.000			
Net sales as reported	\$	39,028	¢	20.020	
Adjusted net sales			\$	39,028	
Adjusted net sales increase for the three months ended September 30, 2023			<u>\$</u>	6,314	<u> </u>
Reconciliation between GAAP and Non-GAAP projected sales growth:					
For the three months ending December 31, 2023 Net sales per guidance (midpoint)	\$	49,000			
Net distribution sales	ψ	(1,341)			
Impact of currency exchange rate fluctuations		(333)			
Adjusted projected net sales		(888)	\$	47,326	
For the three months ended December 31, 2022	*	10.051			
Net sales as reported	\$	40,954	<i>ф</i>	10.051	
Adjusted net sales			<u>\$</u>	40,954	
A directed projected pet cales increase for the three menths ending December 21, 2022			\$	6,372	16%
Adjusted projected net sales increase for the three months ending December 31, 2023			<u> </u>	0,072	10/0
Reconciliation between GAAP and Non-GAAP projected sales growth: For the year ending December 31, 2023					
Net sales per guidance (midpoint)	\$	193.601			
Net distribution sales	φ	(3,915)			
Impact of currency exchange rate fluctuations		(3,513)			
Adjusted projected net sales		5	\$	189.689	
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For the year ended December 31, 2022					
Net sales as reported	\$	161,651			
Adjusted net sales			\$	161,651	
			<b>A</b>	20.020	150/
Adjusted projected net sales increase for the year ending December 31, 2023			\$	28,038	17%
Reconciliation between GAAP and Non-GAAP projected operating income:					
For the year ending December 31, 2023					
Operating income per guidance (midpoint)	\$	36,506			
Impact of special charge		485			
Adjusted projected operating income			\$	36,991	
For the year ended December 31, 2022					
Operating income as reported	\$	26,829			
Impact of special charge	ψ	3,107			
Adjusted operating income		5,107	\$	29,936	
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Adjusted projected operating income increase for the year ending December 31, 2023			\$	7,055	24%
Deconciliation between CAAD and Non CAAD residented EDC.					
Reconciliation between GAAP and Non-GAAP projected EPS: For the year ending December 31, 2023					
EPS per guidance (midpoint)	\$	1.33			
Impact of special charge, including tax	Ψ	0.01			
Adjusted EPS			\$	1.34	
For the year ended December 31, 2022					
EPS as reported	\$	0.93			
Impact of special charge, including tax	Ψ	0.13			
Adjusted EPS		0.10	\$	1.06	
Adjusted projected EPS increase for the year ending December 31, 2023			\$	0.28	<u>26</u> %