equity-based compensation; (4) adjusted EBITDA does not reflect tax payments or receipts that may represent a reduction or increase in cash available to us; and (5) other companies, including companies in our industry, may calculate adjusted EBITDA or similarly titled measures differently, which reduces the usefulness of the metric as a comparative measure. Because of these and other limitations, you should consider adjusted EBITDA alongside our other GAAP-based financial performance measures, net loss and our other GAAP financial results. The following table presents a reconciliation of adjusted EBITDA to net loss, the most directly comparable GAAP measure, for each of the periods indicated (in thousands):

	<u></u>	Year Ended December 31,							
		2019		2018		2017			
Net loss	\$	(52,250)	\$	(47,515)	\$	(19,634)			
Interest and investment (income) expense, net		2,979		4,504		216			
Provision for income taxes		425		796		47			
Depreciation and amortization		19,671		13,693		10,207			
Loss on extinguishment of convertible notes		1,406		_		_			
Stock-based compensation		33,489		25,825		9,299			
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	5,720	\$	(2,697)	\$	135			

• Adjusted Gross Margin. Adjusted gross margin represents gross profit plus amortization of acquired intangibles and stock-based compensation. Adjusted gross margin is a measure used by management to understand and evaluate our core operating performance and trends and to generate future operating plans. The exclusion of stock-based compensation expense and amortization of acquired intangibles facilitates comparisons of our operating performance on a period-to-period basis. In the near term, we expect these expenses to continue to negatively impact our gross profit. Adjusted gross margin is not a measure calculated in accordance with GAAP. We believe that adjusted gross margin provides useful information to investors and others in understanding and evaluating our operating results in the same manner as our management and board of directors. Nevertheless, our use of adjusted gross margin has limitations as an analytical tool, and you should not consider it in isolation or as a substitute for analysis of our financial results as reported under GAAP. You should consider adjusted gross margin alongside our other GAAP-based financial performance measures, gross profit and our other GAAP financial results. The following table presents a reconciliation of adjusted gross margin to gross profit, the most directly comparable GAAP measure, for each of the periods indicated (in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31,							
	2019		2018		2017			
Gross profit	\$	137,347	\$	100,284	\$	72,849		
Amortization of acquired intangibles		2,114		1,268		1,614		
Stock-based compensation		1,966		2,306		578		
Adjusted gross margin	\$	141,427	\$	103,858	\$	75,041		