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THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933**

CG ONCOLOGY, INC.

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, smaller reporting company or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

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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 7(a)(2)(B) of the Securities Act.

The Registrant hereby amends this Registration Statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the Registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this Registration Statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or until the Registration Statement shall become effective on such date as the Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.

The information in this preliminary prospectus is not complete and may be changed. These securities may not be sold until the registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is effective. This preliminary prospectus is not an offer to sell nor does it seek an offer to buy these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted.

SUBJECT TO COMPLETION, DATED JANUARY 18, 2024

11,800,000 Shares



Common Stock

This is an initial public offering of shares of common stock of CG Oncology, Inc.

We are offering 11,800,000 shares of our common stock. Prior to this offering, there has been no public market for our common stock. We anticipate that the initial public offering price will be between \$16.00 and \$18.00 per share. We have applied to list our common stock on the Nasdaq Global Select Market (Nasdaq) under the symbol “CGON,” and this offering is contingent upon obtaining approval of such listing.

We are an emerging growth company and a smaller reporting company under the federal securities laws and, as such, have elected to comply with certain reduced public company reporting requirements.

Investing in our common stock involves a high degree of risk. See the section titled “[Risk Factors](#)” beginning on page 14.

	Per Share	Total
Initial public offering price	\$	\$
Underwriting discounts and commissions ⁽¹⁾	\$	\$
Proceeds, before expenses, to us	\$	\$

(1) See the section titled “Underwriting” for additional disclosure regarding the estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses.

We have granted the underwriters an option for a period of 30 days to purchase up to an additional 1,770,000 shares of our common stock solely to cover over-allotments, if any.

The underwriters expect to deliver the shares of common stock to purchasers on _____, 2024.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any other regulatory body has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed upon the accuracy or adequacy of this prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

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The date of this prospectus is _____, 2024

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Neither we nor the underwriters have authorized anyone to provide you with information other than that contained in this prospectus, or any free writing prospectus prepared by or on behalf of us or to which we have referred you. We and the underwriters take no responsibility for and can provide no assurance as to the reliability of, any other information that others may give you. We and the underwriters are offering to sell, and seeking offers to buy, shares of our common stock only in jurisdictions where offers and sales are permitted. The information contained in this prospectus, or any free writing prospectus is accurate only as of its date, regardless of its time of delivery or of any sale of shares of our common stock. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects may have changed since that date.

For investors outside of the United States: Neither we nor any of the underwriters have done anything that would permit this offering or possession or distribution of this prospectus in any jurisdiction where action for that purpose is required, other than in the United States. Persons outside of the United States who come into possession of this prospectus must inform themselves about, and observe any restrictions relating to, the offering of the shares of our common stock and the distribution of this prospectus outside of the United States.

PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

This summary highlights selected information contained elsewhere in this prospectus and is qualified in its entirety by the more detailed information and financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus. This summary does not contain all of the information you should consider before investing in our common stock. You should carefully read this entire prospectus, including the information in the sections titled “Risk Factors,” “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations” and “Special Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements,” and our financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this prospectus, before making an investment decision. Unless the context requires otherwise, references in this prospectus to “CG Oncology,” the “Company,” “we,” “us,” and “our” refer to CG Oncology, Inc.

Overview

We are a late-stage clinical biopharmaceutical company focused on developing and commercializing a potential backbone bladder-sparing therapeutic for patients afflicted with bladder cancer. Our product candidate, cretostimogene, is initially in clinical development for the treatment of patients with high-risk Non-Muscle Invasive Bladder Cancer (NMIBC) who are unresponsive to Bacillus Calmette Guerin (BCG) therapy, the current standard-of-care for high-risk NMIBC. There is significant unmet need for treatments in these patients given the limitations of currently approved therapies and patient reluctance to undergo radical cystectomy, or the complete removal of the bladder. We are evaluating the safety and efficacy of cretostimogene as monotherapy in BOND-003, our ongoing Phase 3 clinical trial in high-risk BCG-unresponsive NMIBC patients. We have completed enrollment for this trial, reported interim data in November 2023 and expect to report topline data by the end of 2024. If successful, we believe that this trial could serve as the basis for a Biologics License Application (BLA) submission to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA). We are also evaluating the use of cretostimogene when administered to this same patient population in combination with FDA-approved pembrolizumab in CORE-001, our ongoing Phase 2 clinical trial. Moreover, we intend to assess the safety and efficacy of cretostimogene in treating a range of other bladder cancer indications as an alternative to BCG therapy and in patients who are not categorized as BCG-unresponsive, including our second Phase 3 clinical trial, PIVOT-006, evaluating adjuvant cretostimogene in intermediate-risk NMIBC patients following transurethral resection of the bladder tumor (TURBT). We believe cretostimogene, if approved, has the potential to serve as first-line therapy, thereby alleviating the current need to prioritize treatment recipients and ration administration of BCG given its significant market shortage.

Cretostimogene has shown clinical benefit and has been generally well-tolerated as both a monotherapy and in combination with other therapies in clinical trials to date. Interim data for BOND-003 was reported at the 24th Annual Meeting of Society of Urologic Oncology (SUO) on November 30, 2023. As of the October 5, 2023 efficacy data cutoff, 50 of the 66 (75.7%; 95% CI: 63-85%) evaluable patients achieved a complete response (CR), generally meaning no evidence of bladder cancer, at any time after the administration of cretostimogene. In addition, as of the data cutoff, 45 out of 66 (68.2%) patients achieved a CR at three months and 42 out of 66 (63.6%) patients achieved a CR at six months. Four out of 13 (30.8%) patients who did not achieve a CR at three months, and who were subsequently re-dosed with cretostimogene at three months demonstrated a CR at six months. Of those 50 patients who achieved a CR at any time, 42 out of 50 (84.0%) maintained their response for at least three months and 32 out of 43 (74.4%) maintained their response for at least six months. Seven patients had yet to reach the minimum duration of response (DOR) evaluation and were excluded from the assessment for durable CR lasting at least six months. A DOR is the length of time from the first response until the time the patient no longer meets the definition for a CR. Cretostimogene was generally well-tolerated in this trial as of the September 8, 2023 safety data cutoff, with mostly Grade 1 or Grade 2 adverse events reported and no Grade 3 or higher treatment-related adverse events (TRAEs) reported. There were no treatment discontinuations due to TRAEs and no deaths were reported. Two patients (1.8%) had serious adverse events (SAEs), including Grade 2 noninfective cystitis, which is the inflammation of the bladder not caused by a bacteria or other infectious agent, and Grade 2 clot retention, both of which resolved. In addition, in our ongoing open-label Phase 2 CORE-001 clinical trial of cretostimogene in combination with pembrolizumab in high-risk BCG-unresponsive NMIBC, 29 of the 34 (85%; 95% CI: 68-94%) patients evaluable as of the March 3, 2023

data cutoff achieved a CR after an initial induction course of therapy, with 82% (n=27/33) of patients maintaining a CR at six months, and 68% (n=17/25) of patients maintaining a CR at 12 months. Cretostimogene was generally well-tolerated in this trial as of the January 31, 2023 safety data cutoff, with one Grade 2 SAE (urinary retention) deemed related to cretostimogene and two Grade 3 SAEs related to pembrolizumab (adrenal insufficiency and immune-mediated hepatitis), all of which resolved. Cretostimogene has received fast track designation from the FDA for the treatment of BCG-unresponsive, high risk NMIBC patients with carcinoma in-situ with or without Ta or T1 papillary tumors to improve CR. Fast track designation may not lead to a faster development or regulatory review or approval process, and does not increase the likelihood that cretostimogene will receive marketing approval. We have presented the confidence interval (CI) for CR at any time above and elsewhere in this prospectus. CI is a range of values in which, statistically, there is a specified level of confidence where the result lies. The lower bound of the 95% CI around the observed CR rate provides support that such rate may be clinically meaningful. Interim results from these trials may differ from future results of the trials as more patient data become available.

Our Pipeline

We intend to evaluate cretostimogene for use in a variety of bladder cancer treatment settings, as shown in our pipeline below.

Our Cretostimogene Pipeline

Indication	Clinical Trial Stage			Anticipated next milestones
	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	
BCG-unresponsive High-Risk NMIBC	Monotherapy			BOND-003 topline data by the end of 2024
BCG-unresponsive High-Risk NMIBC	In combination with pembrolizumab			CORE-001 additional durability data in the first half of 2024
Intermediate-Risk NMIBC	Monotherapy			Complete enrollment for PIVOT-006 in the first half of 2026
BCG-exposed and BCG-naïve High-Risk NMIBC	Monotherapy			Initiate CORE-008* in the second half of 2024

* Planned clinical trial to be conducted under existing Investigational New Drug application (IND) previously cleared by the FDA.

Our Strengths

We believe our product candidate is differentiated by several strengths that support our vision of cretostimogene as a potential backbone therapy in bladder cancer, including:

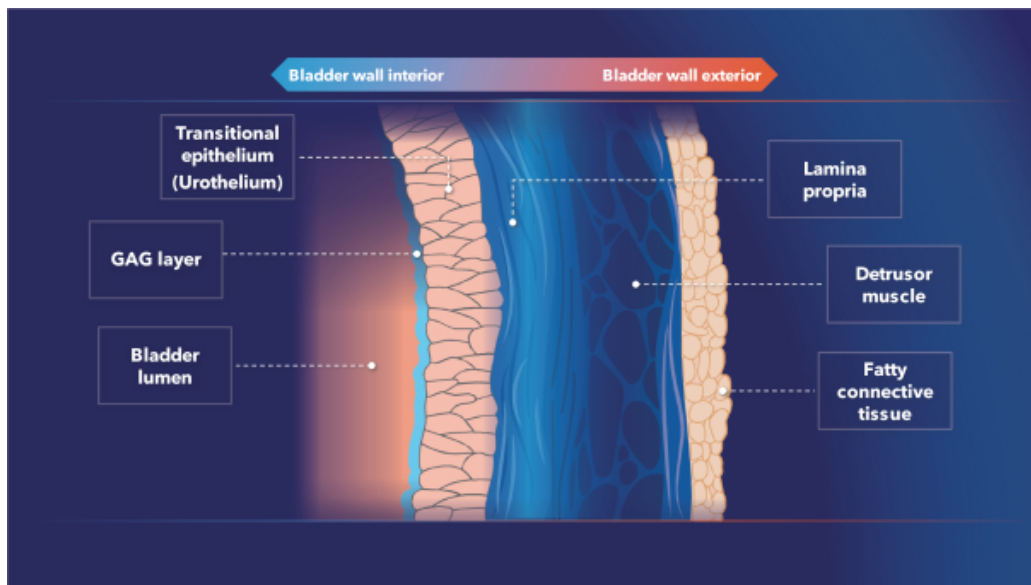
- Demonstrated monotherapy clinical utility and durability of response, with a 75.7% (95% CI: 63-85%) CR at any time, in addition to 74.4% of evaluable responders maintaining their response for at least six months as of October 5, 2023 in our ongoing Phase 3 BOND-003 cretostimogene monotherapy trial.

- Observed tolerability, with no Grade 3 or higher TRAEs or patient discontinuations due to TRAEs as of September 8, 2023 in our ongoing Phase 3 BOND-003 cretostimogene monotherapy trial.
- Cretostimogene is administered intravesically and uses a similar route of administration as standard-of-care BCG therapy which urology practices perform regularly. This is unlike some treatment procedures that require a urologist to perform a cystoscopic examination that involves local anesthesia.
- The potential for deploying cretostimogene in combination with other therapies due to its observed tolerability and novel mechanism of action, supported by 85% (95% CI: 68-94%) of patients having shown a CR at any time in our ongoing Phase 2 CORE-001 clinical trial of cretostimogene in combination with the checkpoint inhibitor (CPI) pembrolizumab as of March 3, 2023.
- Cretostimogene's potential broad applicability across bladder cancer indications, beginning with high-risk BCG-unresponsive NMIBC, and expanding into intermediate-risk and BCG-exposed and BCG-naïve high-risk NMIBC, with potential incremental opportunity in muscle invasive bladder cancer (MIBC).

Bladder Cancer Overview

The human bladder, which functions in the storage and elimination of urine, is a hollow muscular organ composed of multiple tissue layers. As shown below, the inner wall of the bladder is the urothelium, or transitional epithelium. The interior space where urine collects is known as the bladder lumen. The internal side of the urothelium is lined by a glycosaminoglycan (GAG) membrane, which acts as a protective barrier from urine as well as infectious agents. Between the thick, detrusor muscular portion of the bladder wall and the urothelium is the lamina propria, which consists of connective tissue, blood vessels and nerves. A fatty connective tissue layer makes up the organ's exterior surface, facing the rest of the body.

The Anatomy of the Bladder Wall



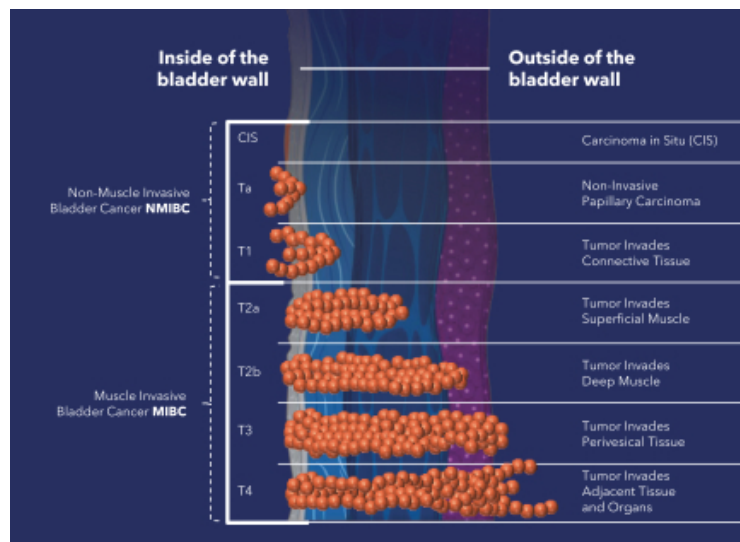
The American Cancer Society estimates that in 2023, more than 82,000 people will be diagnosed with bladder cancer in the United States and that it will result in nearly 17,000 deaths. Notable is the disease prevalence with an

estimated 725,000 people in the United States living with the disease. The relatively high prevalence rate is driven in part by chances of recurrence, which can be very high for NMIBC. It is estimated that approximately 15% to 61% of high-risk patients with NMIBC will develop recurrence within one year following treatment and approximately 31% to 78% of people with NMIBC will develop recurrence or a secondary bladder cancer within five years following treatment, depending on risk-factors. Bladder cancer is the sixth most common form of cancer in the United States, and men account for three-quarters of newly diagnosed cases. Bladder cancer patients are generally from high-risk populations, with 74% of patients over 65 years old and a median age of 73 years old. The global bladder cancer treatment market has been forecast to be approximately \$9.9 billion by 2028, according to Evaluate Pharma.

Bladder cancer is a heterogeneous disease and involves a number of different cancer sub-types. In the United States, the vast majority of patients with bladder cancer, accounting for approximately 90% of all diagnoses, have urothelial carcinoma (UC). UC is further segmented into two subtypes, papillary and non-papillary. Papillary UC involves tumors configured as finger-like projections extending from the transitional epithelium into the bladder lumen. Non-papillary, or flat, UC, also known as carcinoma *in situ* (CIS), which means the cancer is confined to the transitional epithelium, is generally difficult to treat via resection. The 5% of bladder cancer that is not UC includes squamous cell carcinomas, adenocarcinomas, sarcomas and small cell carcinomas.

NMIBC is often used to describe earlier stage disease that has not reached the muscle wall. NMIBC accounts for approximately 75% of newly diagnosed patients, and includes three stages: CIS-containing tumors, Ta and T1. Ta and T1 are papillary UCs which have not spread beyond the lamina propria. T2 through T4 stage make up MIBC, indicative of more aggressive locally advanced and metastatic disease. Bladder cancer has metastasized in an estimated 5% of patients with newly diagnosed disease. The graphic presented below illustrates the differences in disease progression represented by these stages.

Bladder Cancer is Classified as either NMIBC or MIBC



NMIBC may be further differentiated by the risk of progression to MIBC. NMIBC patients with high-grade Ta or T1 stage cancer, any cancer containing CIS (which can occur in any grade of NMIBC or MIBC), and large volume or recurrent Ta stage tumors are considered to be high-risk tumors. Approximately 40% of patients with

NMIBC have high-risk disease. Intermediate-risk NMIBC includes mostly low-grade Ta tumors that recur within 12 months, solitary low-grade Ta tumors greater than three centimeters, multifocal low-grade Ta tumors, or high-grade Ta tumors less than or equal to three centimeters. Intermediate-risk NMIBC accounts for an estimated 30% of patients with NMIBC. Low-risk NMIBC consists of low-grade solitary Ta stage tumors and makes up the remaining 30% of NMIBC cases.

Current Treatment for NMIBC

Regardless of risk stratification, treatment of NMIBC generally involves TURBT, a surgical procedure involving an instrument inserted through the urethra enabling the visual inspection and biopsy of the lesion along with removal of the cancerous cells allowing a patient with NMIBC to retain normal bladder function. Use of TURBT alone is associated with a five-year estimated recurrence rate of approximately 44% to 63% and remains a backbone of early NMIBC treatment regimen. CIS-containing tumors cannot be resected using TURBT. Progression to a more advanced stage or grade subsequent to initial diagnosis is also commonly encountered. As such, in both high-risk and intermediate-risk NMIBC patients, surgical removal of NMIBC tumors through TURBT is often accompanied by the delivery of adjuvant BCG therapy or chemotherapy, intravesically through a catheter inserted directly into the bladder, also referred to as IVE delivery.

BCG therapy involves the use of a live, attenuated mycobacterium to induce a non-specific anti-tumor immune response in the bladder mucosa and provides meaningful therapeutic utility in the treatment of NMIBC. Further complicating the treatment options available to NMIBC patients is the ongoing shortage of BCG which has restricted patient eligibility to high-risk BCG-naïve patients only. Even among these patients a significant number of newly-diagnosed, BCG-eligible, treatment-naïve patients in the United States may not receive sufficient BCG therapy, if at all. Moreover, patients with intermediate-risk NMIBC may not have access to BCG due to the shortage, despite the likely therapeutic benefit of earlier adjuvant BCG therapy, because high-risk patients are prioritized in line with guidance published by the National Comprehensive Care Network and guidance published jointly by the American Urological Association and the Society of Urologic Oncology.

Current Treatment Paradigm in High-Risk BCG-unresponsive Disease and Its Limitations

Current treatment for high-risk NMIBC typically involves TURBT followed by the IVE delivery of BCG therapy to induce a non-specific anti-tumor immune response. This treatment protocol has demonstrated therapeutic benefit with nearly 70% of patients achieving a CR following an initial induction course of therapy. However, approximately 50% of these patients will experience a recurrence of the tumor and few treatment options are available for patients who become unresponsive to BCG treatment. While radical cystectomy is the current standard-of-care for BCG-unresponsive patients, only approximately 6% of NMIBC patients elect to undergo the procedure in light of the significant social, functional and emotional burden associated with it. In addition, there are only two FDA-approved agents for BCG-unresponsive disease with limited utilization.

Our Team and Investors

Our management team includes industry executives with extensive biopharmaceutical experience. Arthur Kuan, our Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, was a founding member of the Ally Bridge Group, a global healthcare-focused investment platform. Previously, Arthur was a member of Themes Investment Partners, a healthcare and life sciences-focused private equity fund. Our President and Chief Operating Officer, Ambaw Bellete, has over 30 years of industry experience, including serving as Chief Operating Officer for FerGene, the Ferring Pharmaceuticals subsidiary responsible for the development and commercialization of its bladder cancer treatment, nadofarogene. Ambaw was also the President of Photocure, a company focused on the diagnosis and treatment of bladder cancer and has also held several global leadership positions with biotech and medical device companies. Our Chief Financial Officer, Corleen Roche, has over 30 years of experience in the biotech and life sciences industry, where she has an extensive track record of serving in executive financial leadership roles in publicly-traded companies, including serving as Chief Financial Officer of Immunome, Inc. and U.S. CFO of Biogen Inc. Our Chief Medical Officer, Vijay Kasturi, M.D., previously served as Vice President, Clinical

Development and Medical Affairs with AVEO Pharmaceuticals and SVP of Scientific Affairs at FerGene where he led Medical Affairs, Clinical Operations, Regulatory and Clinical Development in connection with the nadofaragene program. Earlier, he led U.S. Medical Affairs, Oncology for EMD Serono, where he had broad leadership responsibilities including developing and managing the global medical strategy and launch plan for an anti-PD-L1 agent in bladder and kidney cancers. Our Chief Technical Officer, Swapnil Bhargava, Ph.D., has supported multiple INDs and BLAs and has contributed to bringing multiple modalities to the clinic and market. He was previously a Senior Vice President of CMC Development and GMP Manufacturing for Abcellera, leading Tech Ops. Prior to that, he was the VP for Drug Substance Process Development at Seagen, where he was responsible for leading cell line development, upstream, downstream and conjugation process development and analytical sciences departments for early and late-stage drug development. We believe the breadth and depth of experience amongst our management team will enable us to bolster the cretostimogene development strategy and, if approved, its commercialization.

We are backed by a strong set of healthcare-specific investors, including our 5% or greater stockholders, ORI Capital, Decheng Capital, Longitude Capital, Kissei Pharmaceutical Co., Foresite Capital Management and TCGX. Prospective investors should not rely on the investment decisions of our existing investors, as these investors may have different risk tolerances and strategies and have purchased their shares in prior offerings at prices lower than the price offered to the public in this offering. In addition, some of these investors may not be subject to reporting requirements under Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the Exchange Act), and, thus, prospective investors may not necessarily know the total amount of investment by each of the prior investors and if and when some of the prior investors decide to sell any of their shares.

Our Strategy

We intend to become a leading company in the development and commercialization of innovative therapeutics to treat cancer, with an initial focus on bladder cancer. Key elements of our strategy to accomplish this objective include:

- Complete the ongoing BOND-003 Phase 3 trial of cretostimogene as monotherapy in high-risk BCG-unresponsive NMIBC and pursue FDA approval.
- Expand the development of cretostimogene monotherapy as a potential backbone therapy across NMIBC indications.
- Continue to evaluate cretostimogene in combination with other therapies, such as CPIs, to potentially further enhance its clinical utility across various stages of bladder cancer.
- Build our operational capabilities to successfully commercialize cretostimogene.
- Leverage our chemistry, manufacturing and controls (CMC) expertise and relationships to scale commercialization efforts.

Summary of Risks Associated with Our Business

Our ability to execute our business strategy is subject to numerous risks and uncertainties that you should consider before investing in us, as more fully described in the section titled “Risk Factors” immediately following this Prospectus Summary. These risks include, among others:

- We have a relatively limited operating history, have incurred significant operating losses since our inception, and expect to incur significant losses for the foreseeable future. We may never generate any revenue or become profitable or, if we achieve profitability, we may not be able to sustain it.
- Even if this offering is successful, we will require substantial additional capital to finance our operations, and a failure to obtain this necessary capital when needed on acceptable terms, or at all, could force us to delay, limit, reduce or terminate our development programs, commercialization efforts or other operations.

- We currently depend entirely on the success of cretostimogene, which is our only product candidate. If we are unable to advance cretostimogene in clinical development, obtain regulatory approval and ultimately commercialize cretostimogene, or experience significant delays in doing so, our business will be materially harmed.
- Cretostimogene is based on a novel approach to the treatment of cancer, which makes it difficult to predict the time and cost of product candidate development and subsequently obtaining regulatory approval, if at all.
- Clinical and preclinical drug development involves a lengthy and expensive process with uncertain timelines and outcomes, and results of prior preclinical studies and early clinical trials are not necessarily predictive of future results. Cretostimogene or any future product candidates may not achieve favorable results in clinical trials or preclinical studies or receive regulatory approval on a timely basis, if at all.
- Use of cretostimogene or any future product candidates could be associated with adverse side effects, adverse events or other properties or safety risks, which could delay or preclude regulatory approval, cause us to suspend or discontinue clinical trials, abandon cretostimogene or any future product candidate, limit the commercial profile of an approved label or result in other significant negative consequences that could severely harm our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.
- We face significant competition, and if our competitors develop and commercialize technologies or product candidates more rapidly than we do, or their technologies or product candidates are more effective, safer, or less expensive than cretostimogene or any future product candidates we develop, our business and our ability to develop and successfully commercialize products will be adversely affected.
- We rely on third parties to conduct our clinical trials and preclinical studies, and these third parties may not perform satisfactorily, which could delay, prevent, or impair our development or commercialization efforts.
- We rely on third parties for the manufacture and shipping of cretostimogene for clinical development and expect to continue to do so for the foreseeable future. This reliance on third parties increases the risk that we will not have sufficient quantities of cretostimogene or future product candidates or such quantities at an acceptable cost, which could delay, prevent, or impair our development or commercialization efforts.
- If we are unable to obtain, maintain, and enforce patent or other intellectual property protection for cretostimogene or any future product candidates or technology, or if the scope of the patent or other intellectual property protection obtained is not sufficiently broad, our competitors or other third parties could develop and commercialize products similar or identical to ours, and our ability to successfully commercialize cretostimogene or any future product candidates, may be adversely affected.

Corporate and Other Information

We were originally founded as a California corporation on September 24, 2010 under the name Cold Genesys, Inc. On November 30, 2017, we reincorporated as a Delaware corporation, and on March 31, 2020, we changed our name to CG Oncology, Inc. Our principal executive offices are located at 400 Spectrum Center Drive, Suite 2040, Irvine, CA 92618, and our telephone number is (949) 409-3700. Our website address is <https://cgoncology.com>. The information contained in, or accessible through, our website does not constitute part of this prospectus. We have included our website address as an inactive textual reference only.

We use our trademarks in this prospectus, as well as trademarks, tradenames and service marks that are the property of other organizations. Solely for convenience, trademarks and tradenames referred to in this prospectus

appear without the ® and ™ symbols, but those references are not intended to indicate, in any way, that we will not assert, to the fullest extent under applicable law, our rights or that the applicable owner will not assert its rights to these trademarks and tradenames.

Implications of Being an Emerging Growth Company and a Smaller Reporting Company

We qualify as an “emerging growth company” as defined in the Jumpstart Our Business Startups Act of 2012 (the JOBS Act). An emerging growth company may take advantage of certain reduced disclosure and other requirements that are otherwise applicable to public companies. These provisions include, but are not limited to:

- being permitted to provide only two years of audited financial statements, in addition to any required unaudited interim financial statements, with correspondingly reduced “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations” disclosure;
- not being required to comply with the auditor attestation requirements of Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, as amended (the Sarbanes-Oxley Act);
- not being required to comply with any requirement that may be adopted by the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board regarding mandatory audit firm rotation or a supplement to the auditor’s report providing additional information about the audit and the financial statements, unless the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) determines the new rules are necessary for protecting the public;
- reduced disclosure obligations regarding executive compensation in our periodic reports, proxy statements and registration statements; and
- exemptions from the requirements of holding a nonbinding advisory vote on executive compensation and stockholder approval of any golden parachute payments not previously approved.

We may take advantage of these provisions until the last day of our fiscal year following the fifth anniversary of the date of the first sale of our common equity securities pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act), which such fifth anniversary will occur in 2029. However, if certain events occur prior to the end of such five-year period, including if we become a “large accelerated filer” as defined in Rule 12b-2 under the Exchange Act, our annual gross revenues exceed \$1.235 billion or we issue more than \$1.0 billion of non-convertible debt in any three-year period, we will cease to be an emerging growth company prior to the end of such five-year period.

We have elected to take advantage of certain of the reduced disclosure obligations in this prospectus and in the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part and may elect to take advantage of other reduced reporting requirements in future filings. As a result, the information in this prospectus and that we provide to our stockholders in the future may be different than what you might receive from other public reporting companies in which you hold equity interests.

In addition, the JOBS Act provides that an emerging growth company can take advantage of an extended transition period for complying with new or revised accounting standards. We have elected to avail ourselves of this exemption and, therefore, we will not be subject to the same new or revised accounting standards as other public companies that are not emerging growth companies. As a result, our financial statements may not be comparable to companies that comply with new or revised accounting pronouncements as of public company effective dates. We intend to rely on other exemptions provided by the JOBS Act, including without limitation, not being required to comply with the auditor attestation requirements of Section 404(b) of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act.

We are also a “smaller reporting company” as defined in the Exchange Act. We may continue to be a smaller reporting company even after we are no longer an emerging growth company. We may take advantage of

certain of the scaled disclosures available to smaller reporting companies and will be able to take advantage of these scaled disclosures for so long as our voting and non-voting common stock held by non-affiliates is less than \$250.0 million measured on the last business day of our second fiscal quarter, or our annual revenue is less than \$100.0 million during the most recently completed fiscal year and our voting and non-voting common stock held by non-affiliates is less than \$700.0 million measured on the last business day of our second fiscal quarter.

The Offering

Common stock offered by us	11,800,000 shares.
Underwriters' over-allotment option of common stock offered by us	1,770,000 shares.
Common stock to be outstanding immediately after this offering	55,282,511 shares (or 57,052,511 shares if the underwriters exercise their over-allotment option in full).
Use of proceeds	<p>We estimate that the net proceeds to us from this offering will be approximately \$181.1 million (or approximately \$209.0 million if the underwriters exercise their over-allotment option in full), based on the assumed initial public offering price of \$17.00 per share, which is the midpoint of the price range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, and after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us.</p> <p>We currently intend to use the net proceeds of this offering, together with our existing cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities, to fund the research and development of cretostimogene and for working capital and other general corporate purposes, including pre-commercial activities. See the section titled "Use of Proceeds."</p>
Risk factors	Investing in our common stock involves a high degree of risk. See the section titled "Risk Factors" and other information included in this prospectus for a discussion of risks you should consider carefully before deciding to invest in our common stock.
Proposed Nasdaq Global Select Market trading symbol	"CGON"

The number of shares of our common stock to be outstanding after this offering set forth above is based on 43,482,511 shares of our common stock outstanding as of September 30, 2023, after giving effect to the automatic conversion of all outstanding shares of our redeemable convertible preferred stock into 38,413,913 shares of our common stock immediately prior to the closing of this offering, and excludes:

- 4,688,990 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of stock options outstanding as of September 30, 2023, with a weighted-average exercise price of \$3.05 per share;
- 1,029,871 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of stock options granted subsequent to September 30, 2023, with a weighted-average exercise price of \$8.57 per share;
- 494,807 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of stock options (the IPO Grants) to be granted in connection with this offering under our 2024 Incentive Award Plan (the 2024 Plan), which will become effective in connection with this offering, to certain of our employees at an exercise price equal to the initial public offering price in this offering;

- a number of shares of our common stock reserved for future issuance under our 2024 Plan (which number includes the IPO Grants), which will equal the sum of (1) a number of shares equal to 10% of the number of fully-diluted shares of our common stock upon the closing of this offering (calculated on an as-converted basis after giving effect to the number of shares of common stock to be sold in this offering and assuming the exercise in full of the underwriters' over-allotment option and including shares subject to outstanding equity awards and the share reserves under the 2024 Plan and the 2024 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the ESPP)), plus (2) 124,136 shares of common stock remaining available for future issuance under our 2022 Incentive Award Plan (the 2022 Plan) as of the effectiveness of the 2024 Plan, which shares will be added to the share reserve under the 2024 Plan upon its effectiveness, plus (3) any potential evergreen increases pursuant to the terms of the 2024 Plan; and
- a number of shares of our common stock reserved for future issuance under our ESPP, which will become effective in connection with this offering, which will equal the sum of (1) a number of shares equal to 1% of the number of fully-diluted shares of our common stock upon the closing of this offering (calculated on an as-converted basis after giving effect to the number of shares of common stock to be sold in this offering and assuming the exercise in full of the underwriters' over-allotment option and including shares subject to outstanding equity awards and the share reserves under the 2024 Plan and the ESPP), plus (2) any potential evergreen increases pursuant to the terms of the ESPP.

Unless otherwise indicated, all information contained in this prospectus assumes or gives effect to the following:

- the filing and effectiveness of our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and the adoption of our amended and restated bylaws, each of which will occur immediately prior to the closing of this offering;
- the automatic conversion of all outstanding shares of our redeemable convertible preferred stock into 38,413,913 shares of our common stock immediately prior to the closing of this offering;
- a one-for-9.535 reverse stock split of our common stock, which we effected on January 16, 2024;
- no exercise of the outstanding stock options described above; and
- no exercise by the underwriters of their over-allotment option.

Summary Financial Data

The following tables set forth a summary of our historical financial data as of, and for the periods ended on, the dates indicated. We have derived the summary statements of operations and comprehensive loss data for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2022 from our audited financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus. We have derived the summary statements of operations and comprehensive loss data for the nine months ended September 30, 2022 and 2023 and the summary balance sheet data as of September 30, 2023 from our unaudited condensed financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus. The unaudited condensed financial statements have been prepared on a basis consistent with our audited financial statements included in this prospectus and, in the opinion of management, reflect all adjustments, consisting only of normal recurring adjustments, necessary to fairly state the financial information in those statements. You should read these data together with our financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this prospectus and the section titled “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.” Our historical results for any prior period are not necessarily indicative of our future results, and our interim results are not necessarily indicative of our expected results for the year ended December 31, 2023.

	Year Ended December 31,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2021	2022	2022	2023
(in thousands, except for share and per share data) (unaudited)				
Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Loss Data:				
Revenue:				
Research and collaboration revenue	\$ 10,358	\$ 191	\$ 191	\$ 203
Operating expenses:				
Research and development	18,319	29,029	21,371	29,837
General and administrative	4,645	6,408	4,751	6,883
Total operating expenses	<u>22,964</u>	<u>35,437</u>	<u>26,122</u>	<u>36,720</u>
Loss from operations	(12,606)	(35,246)	(25,931)	(36,517)
Other (expense) income, net:				
Interest (expense) income, net	(451)	(1)	(911)	4,084
Other income (expense), net	218	(196)	(209)	(58)
Total other (expense) income, net	(233)	(197)	(1,120)	4,026
Net loss and comprehensive loss	<u>\$ (12,839)</u>	<u>\$ (35,443)</u>	<u>\$ (27,051)</u>	<u>\$ (32,491)</u>
Deemed dividend on redeemable convertible preferred stock issuances	—	(474)	(413)	(410)
Cumulative redeemable convertible preferred stock dividends	(5,544)	(7,871)	(4,162)	(12,846)
Net loss attributable to common stockholders	<u>\$ (18,383)</u>	<u>\$ (43,788)</u>	<u>\$ (31,626)</u>	<u>\$ (45,747)</u>
Net loss per share attributable to common stockholders, basic and diluted	<u>\$ (5.04)</u>	<u>\$ (11.71)</u>	<u>\$ (8.50)</u>	<u>\$ (11.29)</u>
Weighted-average common stock outstanding, basic and diluted ⁽¹⁾	<u>3,650,543</u>	<u>3,740,892</u>	<u>3,721,600</u>	<u>4,053,280</u>
Pro forma net loss per share, basic and diluted (unaudited) ⁽²⁾		<u>\$ (1.30)</u>		<u>\$ (1.05)</u>
Pro forma weighted-average common stock outstanding, basic and diluted (unaudited) ⁽²⁾		<u>33,699,977</u>		<u>43,482,511</u>

- (1) See Note 2 and Note 11 to our audited financial statements and to our unaudited condensed financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus for an explanation of the method used to calculate historical net loss attributable to common stockholders per share, basic and diluted, and the weighted-average number of shares of common stock used in the computation of the per share amounts.
- (2) Unaudited pro forma net loss per share, basic and diluted, attributable to common stockholders, is calculated giving effect to the conversion of all outstanding shares of our redeemable convertible preferred stock into shares of our common stock. Unaudited pro forma net loss per share attributable to common stockholders does not include the shares expected to be sold and related proceeds to be received in this offering. Unaudited pro forma net loss per share attributable to common stockholders for the year ended December 31, 2022 and the nine months ended September 30, 2023 was calculated using the weighted-average number of shares of common stock outstanding, including the pro forma effect of the conversion of all outstanding shares of our redeemable convertible preferred stock into shares of our common stock, as if such conversion had occurred at the beginning of the period, or their issuance dates, if later.

	As of September 30, 2023		
	Actual	Pro Forma ⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾ (in thousands, except for share data) (unaudited)	Pro Forma, As Adjusted ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾
Balance Sheet Data:			
Cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities	\$ 203,749	\$ 203,749	\$ 384,807
Working capital ⁽⁴⁾	198,007	198,007	379,064
Total assets	211,885	211,885	392,943
Redeemable convertible preferred stock	307,890	—	—
Accumulated deficit	(113,826)	(113,826)	(113,826)
Total stockholders' (deficit) equity	(108,023)	199,867	380,925

- (1) Pro forma amounts give effect to the automatic conversion of all outstanding shares of our redeemable convertible preferred stock into an aggregate of 38,413,913 shares of our common stock and the related reclassification of the carrying value of the redeemable convertible preferred stock to permanent equity immediately prior to the closing of this offering.
- (2) Pro forma as adjusted amounts give effect to (i) the pro forma adjustments set forth in footnote (1) above, and (ii) the issuance and sale of 11,800,000 shares of our common stock in this offering at the initial public offering price of \$17.00 per share, the midpoint of the price range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us. Each \$1.00 increase or decrease in the assumed initial public offering price of \$17.00 per share would increase or decrease, as applicable, the pro forma as adjusted amount of each of our cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities, working capital, total assets and total stockholders' (deficit) equity by approximately \$ 11.0 million, assuming that the number of shares offered by us, as set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, remains the same and after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us. Each increase or decrease of 1.0 million shares in the number of shares offered by us at the assumed initial public offering price of \$17.00 per share would increase or decrease, as applicable, the pro forma as adjusted amounts of each of our cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities, working capital, total assets and total stockholders' (deficit) equity by approximately \$15.8 million, after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us.
- (3) The pro forma and pro forma as adjusted information discussed above is illustrative only and will be adjusted based on actual initial public offering price and other terms of this offering determined at pricing.
- (4) We define working capital as current assets less current liabilities. See our financial statements and the related notes included elsewhere in this prospectus for further details regarding our current assets and current liabilities.

RISK FACTORS

Investing in our common stock involves a high degree of risk. You should consider carefully the risks and uncertainties described below, together with all of the other information in this prospectus, including our financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this prospectus and in the section titled “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations” before making an investment decision. If any of the following risks are realized, our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects could be materially and adversely affected. In that event, the trading price of our common stock could decline and you could lose part or all of your investment. Additional risks and uncertainties not presently known to us or that we currently believe to be immaterial also may impair our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

Risks Related to Our Limited Operating History, Financial Position and Capital Requirements

We have a relatively limited operating history, have incurred significant operating losses since our inception and expect to incur significant losses for the foreseeable future. We may never generate any revenue or become profitable or, if we achieve profitability, we may not be able to sustain it.

Biopharmaceutical product development is a highly speculative undertaking and involves a substantial degree of risk. We are a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company with a relatively limited operating history upon which you can evaluate our business and prospects. We commenced operations in 2010, have no products approved for commercial sale and have not generated any revenue from the sale of our products. To date, we have focused primarily on organizing and staffing our company, business planning, raising capital, conducting research, preclinical studies and clinical trials for our product candidate, cretostimogene, establishing our intellectual property portfolio, establishing arrangements with third parties for the manufacture of cretostimogene and supply of related raw materials, and providing general and administrative support for these operations. We have not yet demonstrated the ability to successfully complete any clinical trial beyond Phase 2, obtain regulatory approvals, manufacture products at commercial scale or arrange for a third party to do so on our behalf, or conduct sales and marketing activities necessary for successful product commercialization. Consequently, any predictions made about our future success or viability may not be as accurate as they could be if we had a history of successfully developing and commercializing biopharmaceutical products.

We have incurred significant operating losses since our inception and expect to incur significant losses for the foreseeable future. We do not have any products approved for sale and have not generated any revenue from product sales. If we are unable to successfully develop, obtain requisite approval for and commercialize cretostimogene or any future product candidates, we may never generate revenue. Our net losses were \$12.8 million and \$35.4 million for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2022, respectively, and \$32.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2023. As of September 30, 2023, we had an accumulated deficit of \$113.8 million. Substantially all of our losses have resulted from expenses incurred in connection with our research and development activities and from general and administrative costs associated with our operations. Cretostimogene and any future product candidates will require substantial additional development time and resources before we would be able to apply for or receive regulatory approvals and begin generating revenue from product sales. We expect to continue to incur losses for the foreseeable future, and we anticipate these losses will increase substantially as we continue our development of, seek regulatory approval for and potentially commercialize cretostimogene and any future product candidates, as well as operate as a public company.

To become and remain profitable, we must succeed in developing, obtaining regulatory approvals for, and eventually commercializing products that generate significant revenue. This will require us to be successful in a range of challenging activities, including completing clinical trials and preclinical studies of cretostimogene and any future product candidates, acquiring additional product candidates, obtaining regulatory approval for cretostimogene and any future product candidates, and manufacturing, marketing, and selling any products for which we may obtain regulatory approval. We are only in the preliminary stages of most of these activities. We

may never succeed in these activities and, even if we do, may never generate revenue that is significant enough to achieve profitability. In addition, we have not yet demonstrated an ability to successfully overcome many of the risks and uncertainties frequently encountered by companies in new and rapidly evolving fields, particularly in the biopharmaceutical industry. Because of the numerous risks and uncertainties associated with biopharmaceutical product development, we are unable to accurately predict the timing or amount of increased expenses or when, or if, we will be able to achieve profitability. Even if we do achieve profitability, we may not be able to sustain or increase profitability on a quarterly or annual basis. Our failure to become and remain profitable may have an adverse effect on the value of our company and could impair our ability to raise capital, expand our business, maintain our research and development efforts, diversify our product candidates, achieve our strategic objectives or even continue our operations. A decline in the value of our company could also cause you to lose all or part of your investment.

Even if this offering is successful, we will require substantial additional capital to finance our operations, and a failure to obtain this necessary capital when needed on acceptable terms, or at all, could force us to delay, limit, reduce or terminate our development programs, commercialization efforts or other operations.

The development of biopharmaceutical product candidates, including conducting preclinical studies and clinical trials, is a very time-consuming, capital-intensive and uncertain process. Our operations have consumed substantial amounts of cash since inception. We expect our expenses to substantially increase in connection with our ongoing activities, particularly as we conduct our ongoing and planned clinical trials of cretostimogene and potentially seek regulatory approval for cretostimogene and any future product candidates we may develop. In addition, if we are able to progress cretostimogene through development and commercialization, we expect to be required to make milestone and royalty payments pursuant to various license or collaboration agreements with third parties. If we obtain regulatory approval for cretostimogene or any future product candidates, we also expect to incur significant commercialization expenses related to product manufacturing, marketing, sales, and distribution. Because the outcome of any clinical trial or preclinical study is highly uncertain, we cannot reliably estimate the actual amount of capital necessary to successfully complete the development and commercialization of cretostimogene or any future product candidates. Furthermore, following the completion of this offering, we expect to incur additional costs associated with operating as a public company.

Based on our current operating plan, we believe that the net proceeds from this offering, together with our existing cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities, will be sufficient to fund our operations into the second half of 2027. In particular, we expect that the net proceeds from this offering and our existing cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities will allow us to complete the ongoing BOND-003 and CORE-001 clinical trials, complete enrollment for the PIVOT-006 clinical trial, and initiate and report topline data for our planned CORE-008 clinical trial. We have based these estimates on assumptions that may prove to be wrong, and we could use our capital resources sooner than we currently expect. Our operating plans and other demands on our cash resources may change as a result of many factors currently unknown to us, and we may need to seek additional funds sooner than planned. The net proceeds of this offering, together with our existing capital, may not be sufficient to complete development of cretostimogene, or any future product candidates, and after this offering, we will require substantial capital in order to advance cretostimogene and any future product candidates through clinical trials, regulatory approval and commercialization. Accordingly, we will need to obtain substantial additional funding in connection with our continuing operations. Our ability to raise additional funds may be adversely impacted by global economic conditions, disruptions to, and volatility in, the credit and financial markets in the United States and worldwide, and diminished liquidity and credit availability. If the equity and credit markets deteriorate, it may make any necessary debt or equity financing more difficult, more costly and more dilutive. If we are unable to raise capital when needed or on attractive terms, we could be forced to delay, reduce or eliminate our research and development programs or any future commercialization efforts, or even cease operations. We expect to finance our cash needs through public or private equity or debt financings or other capital sources, including potential collaborations, licenses, and other similar arrangements. In addition, we may seek additional capital due to favorable market conditions or strategic considerations even if we believe we have sufficient funds for our current or future operating plans. Attempting to secure additional financing may divert our management from our day-to-day activities, which may adversely affect our ability to develop cretostimogene or any future product candidates.

Our future capital requirements will depend on many factors, including, but not limited to:

- the initiation, type, number, scope, progress, expansions, results, costs and timing of clinical trials and preclinical studies of cretostimogene and any future product candidates we may choose to pursue, including the costs of modification to clinical development plans based on feedback that we may receive from regulatory authorities and any third-party products used as combination agents in our clinical trials;
- the costs and timing of manufacturing for cretostimogene or any future product candidate, including commercial manufacturing at sufficient scale, if any product candidate is approved, including as a result of inflation, any supply chain issues or component shortages;
- the costs, timing and outcome of regulatory meetings and reviews of cretostimogene or any future product candidates in any jurisdictions in which we or our current or any future collaborators may seek approval for cretostimogene or any future product candidates;
- the costs of obtaining, maintaining, enforcing and protecting our patents and other intellectual property and proprietary rights;
- our efforts to enhance operational systems and hire additional personnel to satisfy our obligations as a public company, including enhanced internal control over financial reporting;
- the costs associated with hiring additional personnel and consultants as our business grows, including additional executive officers and clinical development, regulatory, chemistry, CMC, quality and commercial personnel;
- the timing and payment of milestone, royalty or other payments we must make pursuant to our existing and potential future license or collaboration agreements with third parties;
- the costs and timing of establishing or securing sales and marketing capabilities if cretostimogene or any future product candidate is approved;
- our ability to achieve sufficient market acceptance, coverage and adequate reimbursement from third-party payors and adequate market share and revenue for any approved products;
- our ability and strategic decision to develop future product candidates other than cretostimogene, and the timing of such development, if any;
- patients' willingness to pay out-of-pocket for any approved products in the absence of coverage and/or adequate reimbursement from third-party payors;
- the terms and timing of establishing and maintaining collaborations, licenses and other similar arrangements; and
- costs associated with any products or technologies that we may in-license or acquire.

Conducting clinical trials and preclinical studies and potentially identifying future product candidates is a time-consuming, expensive and uncertain process that takes years to complete, and we may never generate the necessary data or results required to obtain regulatory approval and commercialize cretostimogene or any future product candidates. If approved, cretostimogene and any future product candidates may not achieve commercial success. We expect that our commercial revenue, if any, will initially be derived from sales of cretostimogene, which we do not expect to be commercially available for several years, if at all.

Accordingly, we will need to continue to rely on additional financing to achieve our business objectives. Adequate additional financing may not be available to us on acceptable terms, or at all, including as a result of financial and credit market deterioration or instability, market-wide liquidity shortages, geopolitical events or otherwise.

Raising additional capital may cause dilution to our stockholders, including purchasers of common stock in this offering, restrict our operations or require us to relinquish rights to our technologies or product candidates.

Until such time, if ever, as we can generate substantial product revenue, we expect to finance our cash needs through equity offerings, debt financings, or other capital sources, including potential collaborations, licenses and other similar arrangements. We do not have any committed external source of funds. To the extent that we raise additional capital through the sale of equity or convertible debt securities, your ownership interest may be diluted, and the terms of these securities may include liquidation or other preferences that adversely affect your rights as a common stockholder. Debt financing and preferred equity financing, if available, may involve agreements that include covenants limiting or restricting our ability to take specific actions, such as incurring additional debt, making capital expenditures or declaring dividends. Such restrictions could adversely impact our ability to conduct our operations and execute our business plan.

If we raise additional funds through future collaborations, licenses and other similar arrangements, we may be required to relinquish valuable rights to our future revenue streams, product candidates, research programs, intellectual property or proprietary technology, or grant licenses on terms that may not be favorable to us and/or that may reduce the value of our common stock. If we are unable to raise additional funds through equity or debt financings or other arrangements when needed or on terms acceptable to us, we would be required to delay, limit, reduce or terminate our product development or future commercialization efforts, or grant rights to develop and market product candidates that we might otherwise prefer to develop and market ourselves, or on less favorable terms than we would otherwise choose.

Risks Related to the Development and Regulatory Approval of Our Product Candidates

We currently depend entirely on the success of cretostimogene, which is our only product candidate. If we are unable to advance cretostimogene in clinical development, obtain regulatory approval and ultimately commercialize cretostimogene, or experience significant delays in doing so, our business will be materially harmed.

We currently only have one product candidate, cretostimogene, which is in Phase 3 clinical development. Our business presently depends entirely on our ability to successfully develop, obtain regulatory approval for, and commercialize cretostimogene in a timely manner. This may make an investment in our company riskier than similar companies that have multiple product candidates in active development and may be able to better sustain the delay or failure of a lead product candidate. The success of cretostimogene will depend on several factors, including the following:

- successful initiation and enrollment of clinical trials and completion of clinical trials with favorable results;
- acceptance of regulatory submissions by the FDA or comparable foreign regulatory authorities for the conduct of clinical trials of cretostimogene and of our proposed designs of planned clinical trials of cretostimogene;
- the frequency and severity of adverse events observed in clinical trials and preclinical studies;
- maintaining and establishing relationships with contract research organizations (CROs) and clinical sites for the clinical development of cretostimogene, and ability of such CROs and clinical sites to comply with clinical trial protocols, Good Clinical Practices (GCPs) and other applicable requirements;
- demonstrating the safety, purity and potency (or efficacy) of cretostimogene to the satisfaction of applicable regulatory authorities, including by establishing a safety database of a size satisfactory to regulatory authorities;
- receipt and maintenance of regulatory approvals from applicable regulatory authorities, including approvals of BLAs from the FDA;

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- maintaining relationships with our third-party manufacturers and their ability to comply with current Good Manufacturing Practices (cGMPs) as well as timely making arrangements with our third-party manufacturers for, or establishing our own, commercial manufacturing capabilities at a cost and scale sufficient to support commercialization;
- establishing sales, marketing and distribution capabilities and launching commercial sales of cretostimogene, if and when approved, whether alone or in collaboration with others;
- obtaining, maintaining, protecting and enforcing patent and any potential trade secret protection or regulatory exclusivity for cretostimogene;
- maintaining an acceptable safety profile of cretostimogene following regulatory approval, if any;
- maintaining and growing an organization of people who can develop and, if approved, commercialize, market and sell cretostimogene; and
- acceptance of our products, if approved, by patients, the medical community and third-party payors.

If we are unable to develop, obtain regulatory approval for, or if approved, successfully manufacture and commercialize cretostimogene, or if we experience delays as a result of any of the above factors or otherwise, our business would be materially harmed.

Cretostimogene is based on a novel approach to the treatment of cancer, which makes it difficult to predict the time and cost of product candidate development and subsequently obtaining regulatory approval, if at all.

We have concentrated our research and development efforts on cretostimogene, and our future success largely depends on the successful development of the oncolytic approach underlying this product candidate. In particular, cretostimogene is an engineered adenovirus designed to replicate and eliminate cancer cells while also stimulating an anti-tumor immune response. To our knowledge, there are no FDA-approved products for the treatment of cancer that utilize a replication-competent adenovirus.

We expect the novel nature of cretostimogene to create further challenges in obtaining regulatory approval. Few viral immunotherapies have been approved globally or by the FDA to date. While the first oncolytic viral immunotherapy, talimogene laherparepvec (Imlygic, Amgen), has received FDA approval, regulatory agencies have reviewed relatively few viral immunotherapy product candidates such as cretostimogene. This may lengthen the regulatory review process, increase our development costs and delay or prevent commercialization of our product candidates. Further, any viral immunotherapies that are approved may be subject to extensive post-approval regulatory requirements, including requirements pertaining to manufacturing, distribution and promotion. We may need to devote significant time and resources to compliance with these requirements.

In addition, cretostimogene is a live, gene-modified virus for which the FDA and other comparable foreign regulatory authorities and other public health authorities, such as the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention and hospitals involved in clinical studies, have established additional safety and contagion rules and procedures, which could establish additional hurdles for the development, manufacture or use of our vectors. These hurdles may lead to delays in the conduct of clinical trials or in obtaining regulatory approvals for further development, manufacturing or commercialization of our product candidates. We may also experience delays in transferring our process to commercial partners, which may prevent us from completing our clinical trials or commercializing our product candidates on a timely or profitable basis, if at all.

Clinical and preclinical drug development involves a lengthy and expensive process with uncertain timelines and outcomes, and the results of preclinical studies and early clinical trials are not necessarily predictive of future results. Cretostimogene or any future product candidates may not achieve favorable results in clinical trials or preclinical studies or receive regulatory approval on a timely basis, if at all.

Drug development is expensive and can take many years to complete, and its outcome is inherently uncertain. We cannot guarantee that any clinical trials or preclinical studies will be conducted as planned,

including whether we are able to meet expected timeframes for data readouts, or completed on schedule, if at all, and failure can occur at any time during the trial or study process, including due to factors that are beyond our control. Despite promising preclinical or clinical results, cretostimogene or any other future product candidate can unexpectedly fail at any stage of clinical or preclinical development. The historical failure rate for product candidates in our industry is high.

The results from preclinical studies or clinical trials of cretostimogene, any future product candidate, or a competitor's product candidate in the same class may not predict the results of later clinical trials of cretostimogene or any future product candidate, and interim, topline or preliminary results of a clinical trial are not necessarily indicative of final results. Cretostimogene or any future product candidate in later stages of clinical trials may fail to show the desired characteristics despite having progressed through preclinical studies and initial clinical trials. It is not uncommon to observe results in clinical trials that are unexpected based on preclinical studies and early clinical trials, and many product candidates fail in clinical trials despite very promising early results.

Moreover, preclinical and clinical data may be susceptible to varying interpretations and analyses. A number of companies in the biopharmaceutical and biotechnology industries have suffered significant setbacks in clinical development even after achieving promising results in earlier studies. Such setbacks have occurred and may occur for many reasons, including, but not limited to: clinical sites and investigators may deviate from clinical trial protocols, whether due to lack of training or otherwise, and we may fail to detect any such deviations in a timely manner; patients may fail to adhere to any required clinical trial procedures, including any requirements for post-treatment follow-up; our product candidates may fail to demonstrate safety, purity or potency (or efficacy) in certain patient subpopulations, which has not been observed in earlier trials due to limited sample size, lack of analysis or otherwise; or our clinical trials may not adequately represent the patient populations we intend to treat, whether due to limitations in our trial designs or otherwise, such as where one patient subgroup is overrepresented in the clinical trial. There can be no assurance that we will not suffer similar setbacks despite the data we observed in earlier or ongoing studies. Based upon negative or inconclusive results, we or any current or any future collaborator may decide, or regulators may require us, to conduct additional preclinical studies or clinical trials, which would cause us to incur additional operating expenses and delays and may not be sufficient to support regulatory approval on a timely basis or at all.

As a result, we cannot be certain that our ongoing and planned clinical trials or preclinical studies will be successful. Any safety concerns observed in any one of our clinical trials in our targeted indications could limit the prospects for regulatory approval of cretostimogene in those and other indications, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

Any difficulties or delays in the commencement or completion, or the termination or suspension, of our current or planned clinical trials or preclinical studies could result in increased costs to us, delay or limit our ability to generate revenue or adversely affect our commercial prospects.

Before obtaining approval from regulatory authorities for the sale of cretostimogene or any future product candidates, we must conduct extensive clinical trials to demonstrate the safety, purity and potency (or efficacy) of the product candidates in humans. In addition, before we can initiate clinical development for any future preclinical product candidates, we must submit the results of preclinical studies to the FDA or comparable foreign regulatory authorities along with other information, including information about product candidate CMC and our proposed clinical trial protocol, as part of an IND or similar regulatory submission, and we are also required to submit comparable applications to foreign regulatory authorities for clinical trials outside of the United States. The FDA or comparable foreign regulatory authorities may require us to conduct additional preclinical studies for any future product candidates before it allows us to initiate clinical trials under any IND or similar regulatory submission, which may lead to delays or increase the costs of developing future product candidates.

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Moreover, issues may arise that could cause regulatory authorities to suspend or terminate our ongoing or planned clinical trials. Any such delays in the commencement or completion, or the termination or suspension, of our ongoing and planned clinical trials or preclinical studies could significantly affect our product development timelines and product development costs.

We do not know whether our planned clinical trials or preclinical studies will begin on time or if our ongoing or future trials or studies will be completed on schedule, if at all. The commencement, data readouts and completion of clinical trials and preclinical studies can be delayed for a number of reasons, including delays related to:

- inability to obtain animals or materials to initiate and generate sufficient preclinical, toxicology, or other in vivo or in vitro data to support the initiation or continuation of clinical trials;
- obtaining allowance from regulatory authorities to commence a trial or reaching a consensus with regulatory authorities on trial design;
- the FDA or comparable foreign regulatory authorities disagreeing as to the design or implementation of our clinical trials;
- any failure or delay in reaching an agreement with CROs and clinical trial sites, the terms of which can be subject to extensive negotiation and may vary significantly among different CROs and trial sites;
- delays in identifying, recruiting, and training suitable clinical investigators;
- obtaining approval from one or more institutional review boards (IRBs) or ethics committees (ECs) at clinical trial sites;
- IRBs/ECs refusing to approve, suspending, or terminating the trial at an investigational site, precluding enrollment of additional patients, or withdrawing their approval of the trial;
- changes to the clinical trial protocol;
- clinical sites deviating from the trial protocol or dropping out of a trial;
- failure by our CROs to perform in accordance with GCP requirements or applicable regulatory requirements or guidelines in other countries;
- obtaining sufficient quantities of cretostimogene or any future product candidates and related raw materials and n-Dodecyl- β -D-maltoside (DDM) or obtaining sufficient quantities of combination therapies or other materials needed for use in clinical trials and preclinical studies;
- patients failing to enroll or remain in our trials at the rate we expect, or failing to return for post-treatment follow-up, including patients failing to remain in our trials due to movement restrictions, health reasons or otherwise resulting from any future public health concerns;
- patients choosing alternative treatments for the indications for which we are developing cretostimogene or any future product candidates, or participating in competing clinical trials;
- lack of adequate funding to continue the clinical trials or preclinical studies or costs being greater than we anticipate;
- patients experiencing severe or serious unexpected drug-related adverse effects;
- occurrence of serious adverse events in trials of the same class of agents conducted by other companies that could be considered similar to cretostimogene or any future product candidates;
- selection of clinical endpoints that require prolonged periods of clinical observation or extended analysis of the resulting data;
- transfer of manufacturing processes to larger-scale facilities operated by third-party manufacturers, delays or failure by our third-party manufacturers or us to make any necessary changes to such

manufacturing process, or failure of such third-party manufacturers to produce clinical trial materials in accordance with cGMP regulations or other applicable requirements; and

- third parties being unwilling or unable to satisfy their contractual obligations to us in a timely manner.

Clinical trials must be conducted in accordance with the FDA and other applicable regulatory authorities' legal requirements, regulations or guidelines, and are subject to oversight by these governmental agencies and ECs or IRBs at the medical institutions where the clinical trials are conducted. We could also encounter delays if a clinical trial is suspended or terminated by us, by the IRBs of the institutions in which such trials are being conducted, by a data safety monitoring board for such trial or by the FDA or comparable foreign regulatory authorities. Such authorities may impose such a suspension, including a clinical hold, or termination due to a number of factors, including, among other reasons, failure to conduct the clinical trial in accordance with GCP and other regulatory requirements or our clinical protocols, inspection of the clinical trial operations or trial site by the FDA or comparable foreign regulatory authorities resulting in the imposition of a clinical hold, unforeseen safety issues or adverse side effects, failure to demonstrate a benefit from using a drug, changes in governmental regulations or administrative actions or lack of adequate funding to continue the clinical trial. In addition, changes in regulatory requirements and policies may occur, and we may need to amend clinical trial protocols to comply with these changes. Amendments may require us to resubmit our clinical trial protocols to IRBs for reexamination, which may impact the costs, timing or successful completion of a clinical trial.

Further, we and our collaborators are currently conducting, and we, our collaborators and any future collaborators may in the future conduct, clinical trials in foreign countries, which presents additional risks that may delay completion of our clinical trials. These risks include the failure of enrolled patients in foreign countries to adhere to clinical protocols as a result of differences in healthcare services or cultural customs, managing additional administrative burdens associated with foreign regulatory schemes, and political and economic risks, including war, relevant to such foreign countries.

Moreover, principal investigators for our clinical trials have served and may in the future serve as scientific advisors or consultants to us from time to time and receive compensation in connection with such services. Under certain circumstances, we may be required to report some of these relationships to the FDA or comparable foreign regulatory authorities. The FDA or comparable foreign regulatory authority may conclude that a financial relationship between us and a principal investigator has created a conflict of interest or otherwise affected interpretation of the study. The FDA or comparable foreign regulatory authority may therefore question the integrity of the data generated at the applicable clinical trial site and the utility of the clinical trial itself may be jeopardized. This could result in a delay in approval, or rejection, of our marketing applications by the FDA or comparable foreign regulatory authority, as the case may be, and may ultimately lead to the denial of regulatory approval of cretostimogene or any future product candidates.

In addition, we may make formulation or manufacturing changes to cretostimogene or any future product candidate, in which case we may need to conduct additional preclinical studies or clinical trials to bridge our current version of cretostimogene or future product candidate to earlier versions. If we are unable to conduct such studies or trials, or if we otherwise fail to adequately bridge the current versions of our product candidates to earlier versions, then we may be unable to utilize any data we have gathered from studies or trials that evaluated such earlier versions in our planned regulatory submissions, which could delay our programs. For example, in our ongoing studies of cretostimogene we are utilizing materials produced by a different third-party manufacturer than the third-party manufacturer that produced cretostimogene during the initial clinical trials for cretostimogene, and we are unable to demonstrate full comparability between lots produced previously and those produced by our current manufacturer. As a result, we may be required to gather additional data utilizing material produced by our current third-party manufacturer before we are able to submit a BLA for cretostimogene, if ever.

Many of the factors that cause, or lead to, the termination or suspension of, or a delay in the commencement or completion of, clinical trials may also ultimately lead to the denial of regulatory approval of a product

candidate. Any delays to our clinical trials that occur as a result could shorten any period during which we may have the exclusive right to commercialize cretostimogene or our future product candidates. In such cases, our competitors may be able to bring products to market before we do, and the commercial viability of cretostimogene or our future product candidates could be significantly reduced. Any of these occurrences may harm our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

We may find it difficult to enroll patients in our clinical trials. If we encounter difficulties or delays enrolling patients in our clinical trials, our clinical development activities could be delayed or otherwise adversely affected.

Successful and timely completion of clinical trials will require that we identify and enroll a specified number of patients for each of our clinical trials. We may not be able to initiate or continue certain clinical trials for cretostimogene or any future product candidates if we are unable to identify and enroll a sufficient number of eligible patients to participate in these trials as required by the FDA or similar regulatory authorities outside the United States. Patient enrollment, a significant factor in the timing of clinical trials, is affected by many factors, including the size and characteristics of the patient population, the proximity of patients to clinical sites, the eligibility and exclusion criteria for the trial, the design of the clinical trial, the risk that enrolled patients will not complete a clinical trial, our ability to recruit clinical trial investigators with the appropriate competencies and experience, and competing clinical trials and clinicians' and patients' perceptions as to the potential advantages and risks of the product candidates being studied in relation to other available therapies, including any new products that may be approved for the indications we are investigating as well as any product candidates under development. We will be required to identify and enroll a sufficient number of patients for each of our clinical trials and monitor such patients adequately during and after treatment. Potential patients for any planned clinical trials may not be adequately diagnosed or identified with the diseases which we are targeting, which could adversely impact the outcomes of our trials and could have safety concerns for the potential patients. Potential patients for any planned clinical trials may also not meet the entry criteria for such trials.

Additionally, other pharmaceutical companies targeting bladder cancer are recruiting clinical trial patients from these patient populations, which may make it more difficult to fully enroll our clinical trials. The timing of our clinical trials depends, in part, on the speed at which we can recruit patients to participate in our trials, as well as completion of required follow-up periods. The eligibility criteria of our clinical trials, once established, may further limit the pool of available trial participants. If patients are unwilling or unable to participate in our trials for any reason, including the existence of concurrent clinical trials for similar target populations, the availability of approved therapies, or the fact that enrolling in our trials may prevent patients from taking a different product, or we otherwise have difficulty enrolling a sufficient number of patients, the timeline for recruiting patients, conducting trials and obtaining regulatory approval of cretostimogene or any future product candidates may be delayed. Our inability to enroll a sufficient number of patients for any of our future clinical trials would result in significant delays or may require us to abandon one or more clinical trials altogether.

In addition, we rely on, and will continue to rely on, CROs and clinical trial sites to ensure proper and timely conduct of our clinical trials and preclinical studies. Though we have entered into agreements governing their services, we have limited influence over their actual performance. We cannot be certain that our assumptions used in determining expected clinical trial timelines are correct or that we will not experience delays or difficulties in enrollment, or be required by the FDA or other regulatory authority to increase our enrollment, which would result in the delay of completion of such trials beyond our expected timelines.

Use of cretostimogene or any future product candidates could be associated with side effects, adverse events or other properties or safety risks, which could delay or preclude regulatory approval, cause us to suspend or discontinue clinical trials, abandon cretostimogene or any future product candidate, limit the commercial profile of an approved label or result in other significant negative consequences that could severely harm our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

As is the case with oncology drugs generally, it is likely that there may be side effects and adverse events associated with use of cretostimogene or any future product candidates' use. Results of our, our collaborators' or any future collaborators' clinical trials could reveal a high and unacceptable severity and prevalence of expected or unexpected side effects or unexpected characteristics. Undesirable side effects caused by our product candidates when used alone or in combination with approved or investigational drugs could cause us or regulatory authorities to interrupt, delay or halt clinical trials and could result in a more restrictive label, or lead to the delay or denial of regulatory approval by the FDA or comparable foreign regulatory authorities. The drug-related side effects could affect patient recruitment or the ability of enrolled patients to complete the trial or result in potential product liability claims. Any of these occurrences may harm our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects significantly.

Moreover, if cretostimogene or any future product candidates are associated with undesirable side effects in clinical trials or demonstrate characteristics that are unexpected, we may elect to abandon their development or limit their development to more narrow uses or subpopulations in which the undesirable side effects or other characteristics are less prevalent, less severe or more acceptable from a risk-benefit perspective, which may limit the commercial expectations for such product candidate if approved. Unacceptable enhancement of certain toxicities may be seen when cretostimogene or any future product candidates are combined with standard of care therapies, or when they are used as single agents. We may also be required to modify our development and clinical trial plans based on findings in our ongoing clinical trials. Many compounds that initially showed promise in early-stage testing for treating cancer have later been found to cause side effects that prevented further development of the compounds.

It is possible that as we, our collaborators or any future collaborators test cretostimogene or any future product candidates in larger, longer and more extensive clinical trials, including with different dosing regimens, or as the use of these product candidates becomes more widespread following any regulatory approval, more illnesses, injuries, discomforts and other adverse events than were observed in earlier trials, as well as new conditions that did not occur or went undetected in previous trials, may be discovered. If such side effects become known later in development or upon approval, if any, such findings may harm our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects significantly.

In addition, we are studying cretostimogene in combination with other therapies and may do so for future product candidates, which may exacerbate adverse events associated with such product candidate. Patients treated with cretostimogene or future product candidates may also be undergoing surgical, radiation and chemotherapy treatments, which can cause side effects or adverse events that are unrelated to our product candidate but may still impact the success of our clinical trials. The inclusion of critically ill patients in our, our collaborators' or any future collaborators' clinical trials may result in deaths or other adverse medical events due to other therapies or medications that such patients may be using or due to the gravity of such patients' illnesses. For example, we expect that some of the patients enrolled in our, our collaborators' or any future collaborators' clinical trials will die or experience major clinical events either during the course of such clinical trials or after participating in such trials.

In addition, if cretostimogene or any future product candidate receives regulatory approval, and we or others later identify undesirable side effects caused by such product, a number of potentially significant negative consequences could result, including:

- regulatory authorities may withdraw, suspend or limit approvals of such product, or seek an injunction against its manufacture or distribution;

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- we may be required to recall a product or change the way such product is administered to patients;
- regulatory authorities may require additional warnings on the label, such as a “black box” warning or a contraindication;
- we may be required to implement a Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategy (REMS) or create a medication guide outlining the risks of such side effects for distribution to patients;
- we may be required to change the way a product is distributed or administered, conduct additional clinical trials or change the labeling of a product or be required to conduct additional post-marketing studies or surveillance;
- we could be sued and held liable for harm caused to patients;
- sales of the product may decrease significantly or the product could become less competitive; and
- our reputation may suffer.

Any of these events could prevent us from achieving or maintaining market acceptance and/or physician adoption of the particular product candidate, if approved, and could significantly harm our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

Although we have completed a Phase 2 clinical trial for cretostimogene, we have not as an organization completed later-stage or pivotal clinical trials or submitted a BLA, and we may be unable to do so for cretostimogene or any future product candidates.

We will need to successfully complete later-stage and pivotal clinical trials in order to obtain FDA or comparable foreign regulatory approval to market cretostimogene or any future product candidates. Carrying out later-stage clinical trials and the submission of a successful BLA or other comparable foreign regulatory submission is a complicated process. As an organization, we have completed one Phase 2 clinical trial of cretostimogene, and are conducting and plan to conduct additional Phase 3 clinical trials for cretostimogene. We also plan to conduct a number of additional clinical trials of cretostimogene in parallel over the next several years, which may be a difficult process to manage with our limited resources and which may divert attention of management. We have not yet completed any later-stage or pivotal clinical trials for cretostimogene or any other product candidate. We also have limited experience as a company in preparing and submitting marketing applications and have not previously submitted a BLA or other comparable foreign regulatory submission for any product candidate. In addition, we have had limited interactions with the FDA and cannot be certain how many additional clinical trials of cretostimogene or any future product candidate will be required or how such additional trials should be designed. Consequently, we may be unable to successfully and efficiently execute and complete necessary clinical trials in a way that leads to submission of a BLA and regulatory approval of any of our product candidates. We may require more time and incur greater costs than our competitors and may not succeed in obtaining regulatory approvals of product candidates that we develop. Failure to commence or complete, or delays in, our ongoing or planned clinical trials could prevent us from or delay us in submitting BLAs or other comparable foreign regulatory submissions for and commercializing our product candidates.

We intend to develop cretostimogene and future product candidates in combination with other therapies, which exposes us to additional risks.

We intend to develop cretostimogene and any future product candidates for use in combination with one or more currently approved cancer therapies. Even if cretostimogene or any future product candidate we develop was to receive regulatory approval or be commercialized for use in combination with other existing therapies, we would continue to bear the risks that the FDA or similar foreign regulatory authorities could revoke approval of the therapy used in combination with cretostimogene or a future product candidate or that safety, efficacy, manufacturing or supply issues could arise with these existing therapies. The known side effect profile of approved drugs, such as the checkpoint inhibitors we use in combination with cretostimogene, may otherwise negatively affect the results of our trials and could limit the number of patients and physicians who choose to adopt cretostimogene, if approved for use as combination therapy with such drugs.

Combination therapies are commonly used for the treatment of cancer, and we would be subject to similar risks if we develop cretostimogene or any future product candidate for use in combination with other drugs or biologics. Developing combination therapies using approved therapeutics, as we plan to do for cretostimogene and our future product candidates, also exposes us to additional clinical risks, such as the requirement that we demonstrate the safety, purity and potency (or efficacy) of each active component of any combination regimen we may develop.

If the FDA or similar foreign regulatory authorities revoke the approval of combination agents, or if safety, efficacy, manufacturing, or supply issues arise with the drugs we choose to evaluate in combination with cretostimogene or any future product candidate, we may be unable to obtain approval of or market cretostimogene or any future product candidate for combination therapy regimens.

Additionally, if the third-party providers of therapies or therapies in development used in combination with cretostimogene or any future product candidate are unable to produce sufficient quantities for clinical trials or for commercialization of cretostimogene or any future product candidate, or if the cost of combination therapies are prohibitive, our development and commercialization efforts would be impaired, which would have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

Negative developments in the field of immuno-oncology and, in particular, viral immunotherapy, could damage public perception of any cretostimogene or any future oncolytic product candidates and negatively affect our business.

The commercial success of cretostimogene and any future adenovirus-based product candidates will depend in part on public acceptance of the use of immuno-oncology, and, in particular, viral immunotherapy. Adverse events in clinical trials of cretostimogene or any other adenovirus-based product candidates which we may develop, or in clinical trials of other biopharmaceutical companies developing similar products and the resulting publicity, as well as any other negative developments in the field of immuno-oncology that may occur in the future, including in connection with competitor therapies, could result in a decrease in demand for cretostimogene or any other adenovirus-based product candidates that we may develop. These events could also result in the suspension, discontinuation or clinical hold of or modification to our clinical trials. If public perception is influenced by claims that the use of viral immunotherapies is unsafe, whether related to our therapies or those of our competitors, our product candidates may not be accepted by the general public or the medical community and potential clinical trial subjects may be discouraged from enrolling in our, our collaborators' or any future collaborators' clinical trials. In addition, responses by national or state governments to negative public perception may result in new legislation or regulations that could limit our ability to develop or commercialize any product candidates, obtain or maintain regulatory approval or otherwise achieve profitability. More restrictive statutory regimes, government regulations or negative public opinion would have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects and may delay or impair the development and commercialization of our product candidates or demand for any products we may develop. As a result, we may not be able to continue or may be delayed in conducting our development programs.

Adverse developments in clinical trials of other immunotherapy products based on viruses, like oncolytic viruses, may result in a disproportionately negative effect for cretostimogene or any future product candidates as compared to other products in the field of infectious disease and immuno-oncology that are not based on viruses. Future negative developments in the biopharmaceutical industry could also result in greater governmental regulation, stricter labeling requirements and potential regulatory delays in the testing or approvals of cretostimogene or any future product candidates. Any increased scrutiny could delay or increase the costs of obtaining marketing approval for our product candidates.

We may not be successful in our efforts to investigate cretostimogene in additional indications. We may expend our limited resources to pursue a new product candidate or a particular indication for cretostimogene and fail to capitalize on product candidates or indications that may be more profitable or for which there is a greater likelihood of success.

Because we have limited financial and managerial resources, we focus on the development of cretostimogene for specific indications. We may fail to generate additional clinical development opportunities for cretostimogene for a number of reasons, including that cretostimogene may, in indications we are seeking or may seek in the future, be shown to have harmful side effects, limited to no efficacy or other characteristics that suggest it is unlikely to receive marketing approval and/or achieve market acceptance in such potential indications. Our resource allocation and other decisions may cause us to fail to identify and capitalize on viable potential product candidates or additional indications for cretostimogene. Our spending on current and future research and development programs for new product candidates or additional indications for cretostimogene may not yield any commercially viable product candidates or indications. If we do not accurately evaluate the commercial potential or target market for a particular indication or product candidate, we may fail to develop such product candidate or indication, or relinquish valuable rights to that product candidate through collaborations, license agreements and other similar arrangements in cases where it would have been more advantageous for us to retain sole development and commercialization rights to such indication or product candidate, or negotiate less advantageous terms for any such arrangements than is optimal.

Additionally, we may pursue additional in-licenses or acquisitions of development-stage assets or programs, which entails additional risk to us. Identifying, selecting and acquiring promising product candidates requires substantial technical, financial and human resources expertise. Efforts to do so may not result in the actual acquisition or license of a particular product candidate, potentially resulting in a diversion of our management's time and the expenditure of our resources with no resulting benefit. For example, if we are unable to identify programs that ultimately result in approved products, we may spend material amounts of our capital and other resources evaluating, acquiring and developing products that ultimately do not provide a return on our investment.

We are currently conducting and may in the future conduct certain of our clinical trials for cretostimogene or any future product candidate outside of the United States. However, the FDA and other foreign equivalents may not accept data from such trials, in which case our development plans will be delayed, which could materially harm our business.

We are currently conducting, and we or our current or any future collaborators may in the future conduct, one or more of our clinical trials for cretostimogene or any future product candidate outside the United States. The acceptance of study data from clinical trials conducted outside the United States or another jurisdiction by the FDA or comparable foreign regulatory authority may be subject to certain conditions or may not be accepted at all. For example, in cases where data from foreign clinical trials are intended to serve as the sole basis for regulatory approval in the United States, the FDA will generally not approve the application on the basis of foreign data alone unless the data are applicable to the U.S. population and U.S. medical practice; the trials were performed by clinical investigators of recognized competence and pursuant to GCP regulations; and the data may be considered valid without the need for an on-site inspection by the FDA, or if the FDA considers such inspection to be necessary, the FDA is able to validate the data through an on-site inspection or other appropriate means. In addition, even where the foreign study data are not intended to serve as the sole basis for approval, if the relevant study was not conducted pursuant to an IND, the FDA will not accept the data as support for a marketing application unless the study was conducted in accordance with GCP requirements and the FDA is able to validate the data from the study through an onsite inspection if deemed necessary. Many foreign regulatory authorities have similar requirements for clinical data gathered outside of their respective jurisdictions. There can be no assurance that the FDA or any comparable foreign regulatory authority will accept data from trials conducted outside of the United States or the applicable jurisdiction. If the FDA or any comparable foreign regulatory authority does not accept such data from our clinical trials of cretostimogene or any future product

candidate, it would likely result in the need for additional clinical trials, which would be costly and time-consuming and delay or permanently halt our development of such product candidate.

Conducting clinical trials outside the United States also exposes us to additional risks, including risks associated with:

- additional foreign regulatory requirements;
- foreign exchange fluctuations;
- compliance with foreign manufacturing, customs, shipment, and storage requirements;
- inconsistent standards for reporting and evaluating clinical data and adverse events;
- diminished protection of intellectual property in some countries; and
- public health concerns or political instability, civil unrest, war or similar events that may jeopardize our ability to commence, conduct or complete a clinical trial and evaluate resulting data.

Interim, topline and preliminary data from our clinical trials and preclinical studies that we announce or publish from time to time may change as more patient data become available and are subject to audit and verification procedures that could result in material changes in the final data.

From time to time, we may publicly disclose interim, topline or preliminary data from our clinical trials and preclinical studies, which is based on a preliminary analysis of then-available data, and the results and related findings and conclusions are subject to change following a more comprehensive review of the data related to the particular study or trial. We also make assumptions, estimations, calculations and conclusions as part of our analyses of data, and we may not have received or had the opportunity to fully and carefully evaluate all data. As a result, the interim, topline or preliminary results that we report may differ from future results of the same studies or trials, or different conclusions or considerations may qualify such results once additional data have been received and fully evaluated. Topline and preliminary data also remain subject to audit and verification procedures that may result, in the final data being materially different from the topline or preliminary data we previously published. As a result, topline and preliminary data should be viewed with caution until the final data are available. Interim data from clinical trials that we may complete are further subject to the risk that one or more of the clinical outcomes may materially change as patient enrollment continues and more patient data become available. Adverse differences between interim, topline or preliminary data and final data could significantly harm our business prospects. Further, disclosure of interim data by us or by our competitors could result in volatility in the price of our common stock.

In addition, others, including regulatory authorities, may not accept or agree with our assumptions, estimates, calculations, conclusions or analyses or may interpret or weigh the importance of data differently, which could impact the value of the particular program, the approvability or commercialization of the particular product candidate or product and our company in general. Moreover, the information we choose to publicly disclose regarding a particular study or clinical trial is based on what is typically extensive information, and you or others may not agree with what we determine is material or otherwise appropriate information to include in our disclosure, and any information we determine not to disclose may ultimately be deemed significant with respect to future decisions, conclusions, views, activities or otherwise regarding a particular drug, product candidate or our business. If the interim, topline or preliminary data that we report differ from actual results, or if others, including regulatory authorities, disagree with the conclusions reached, our ability to obtain approval for, and commercialize cretostimogene and any future product candidates may be harmed, which could harm our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

Changes in methods of the manufacturing or formulation of cretostimogene or any future product candidates may result in additional costs or delay.

As cretostimogene and any future product candidates progress through clinical trials to regulatory approval and commercialization, it is common that various aspects of the development program, such as manufacturing

methods and formulation, are altered along the way in an effort to optimize safety, efficacy, yield and manufacturing batch size, minimize costs and achieve consistent quality and results. There can be no assurance that any future manufacturing or formulation changes we may make will achieve their intended objectives, and such changes may also cause cretostimogene or any future product candidates to perform differently and affect the results of future clinical trials conducted with the altered materials. Such changes or related unfavorable clinical trial results or changes in the CMOs we use to manufacture cretostimogene or any future product candidates could delay initiation or completion of clinical trials, require the conduct of bridging studies or additional clinical trials or the repetition of one or more studies or clinical trials, increase development costs, delay or prevent potential regulatory approval and jeopardize our ability to commercialize cretostimogene or any future product candidates, if approved, and generate revenue.

A Breakthrough Therapy designation from the FDA may not lead to a faster development or regulatory review or approval process, and does not increase the likelihood that cretostimogene or any future product candidates will receive FDA approval.

We have obtained Breakthrough Therapy designation from the FDA for cretostimogene for the treatment of BCG-unresponsive, high risk NMIBC patients with carcinoma in-situ with or without Ta or T1 papillary tumors to improve complete response (CR) and for cretostimogene in combination with pembrolizumab for the treatment of NMIBC unresponsive to BCG, and we may seek additional Breakthrough Therapy designations for cretostimogene or for any future product candidates where we believe the clinical data support such a designation. A “Breakthrough Therapy” is defined as a drug or biologic that is intended, alone or in combination with one or more other drugs or biologics, to treat a serious or life-threatening disease or condition, where preliminary clinical evidence indicates that the drug or biologic may demonstrate substantial improvement over existing therapies on one or more clinically significant endpoints, such as substantial treatment effects observed early in clinical development. For product candidates that have been designated as Breakthrough Therapies, increased interaction and communication between the FDA and the sponsor of the trial can help to identify the most efficient path for clinical development while minimizing the number of patients placed in ineffective control regimens. Biologics designated as Breakthrough Therapies also receive the same benefits associated with fast track designation, including eligibility for rolling review of a submitted BLA, if the relevant criteria are met.

Designation as a Breakthrough Therapy is within the discretion of the FDA. Accordingly, even if we believe one of our product candidates meets the criteria for designation as a Breakthrough Therapy, the FDA may disagree and instead determine not to make such designation. In any event, the receipt of a Breakthrough Therapy Designation for cretostimogene or any future product candidate may not result in a faster development process, review or approval compared to biologics considered for approval under standard FDA review procedures and does not ensure ultimate approval by the FDA. In addition, though cretostimogene currently qualifies as a Breakthrough Therapy for the treatment of NMIBC unresponsive BGC, the FDA may later decide that cretostimogene no longer meets the conditions for qualification and rescind the designation.

Fast track designation by the FDA for cretostimogene may not lead to a faster development or regulatory review or approval process, and does not increase the likelihood that cretostimogene or any future product candidate which may receive fast track designation will receive regulatory approval.

The FDA has granted a fast track designation for cretostimogene for the treatment of BCG-unresponsive, high risk NMIBC patients with carcinoma in-situ with or without Ta or T1 papillary tumors to improve CR, and we may seek fast track designations for other indications or future product candidates. The fast track program is intended to expedite or facilitate the process for reviewing product candidates that meet certain criteria. Specifically, biologics are eligible for fast track designation if they are intended, alone or in combination with one or more drugs or biologics, to treat a serious or life-threatening disease or condition and demonstrate the potential to address unmet medical needs for the disease or condition. Fast track designation applies to the combination of the product candidate and the specific indication for which it is being studied. The sponsor of a fast track product candidate has opportunities for more frequent interactions with the applicable FDA review team during product development and, once a BLA is submitted, the application may be eligible for priority review. A BLA submitted for a fast track product candidate may also be eligible for rolling review, where the FDA may consider for review sections of the BLA on a rolling basis before the

complete application is submitted, if the sponsor provides a schedule for the submission of the sections of the BLA, the FDA agrees to accept sections of the BLA and determines that the schedule is acceptable, and the Sponsor pays any required user fees upon submission of the first section of the BLA.

The FDA has broad discretion whether or not to grant this designation. Even if we believe a particular product candidate or development program is eligible for this designation, we cannot assure you that the FDA would decide to grant it. Although we have received fast track designation for cretostimogene for the treatment of BCG-unresponsive, high risk NMIBC patients with carcinoma in-situ with or without Ta or T1 papillary tumors to improve CR, and even if we receive additional fast track designations for other indications or any future product candidates, such product candidates may not experience a faster development process, review or approval compared to conventional FDA procedures. The FDA may also withdraw fast track designation if it believes that the designation is no longer supported by data from our clinical development program. Furthermore, such a designation does not increase the likelihood that cretostimogene or any future product candidate that may be granted fast track designation will receive marketing approval in the United States. Many product candidates that have received fast track designation have ultimately failed to obtain approval.

We may attempt to secure approval from the FDA through the use of the accelerated approval pathway. If we are unable to obtain such approval, we may be required to conduct additional clinical trials beyond those that we contemplate, which could increase the expense of obtaining, and delay the receipt of, necessary regulatory approvals. Even if we receive accelerated approval from the FDA, if our confirmatory trials do not verify clinical benefit, or if we do not comply with rigorous post-marketing requirements, the FDA may seek to withdraw any accelerated approval we have obtained.

We may in the future seek an accelerated approval for cretostimogene or our future product candidates. Under the accelerated approval program, the FDA may grant accelerated approval to a product candidate designed to treat a serious or life-threatening condition that provides meaningful therapeutic benefit over available therapies upon a determination that such product candidate has an effect on a surrogate endpoint or intermediate clinical endpoint that is reasonably likely to predict clinical benefit. The FDA considers a clinical benefit to be a positive therapeutic effect that is clinically meaningful in the context of a given disease, such as irreversible morbidity or mortality. For the purposes of accelerated approval, a surrogate endpoint is a marker, such as a laboratory measurement, radiographic image, physical sign or other measure that is thought to predict clinical benefit, but is not itself a measure of clinical benefit. An intermediate clinical endpoint is a clinical endpoint that can be measured earlier than an effect on irreversible morbidity or mortality that is reasonably likely to predict an effect on irreversible morbidity or mortality or other clinical benefit.

The accelerated approval pathway may be used in cases in which the advantage of a new drug over available therapy may not be a direct therapeutic advantage, but is a clinically important improvement from a patient and public health perspective. If granted, accelerated approval is usually contingent on the sponsor's agreement to conduct, in a diligent manner, additional post-approval confirmatory studies to verify and describe the drug's clinical benefit. If such confirmatory studies fail to confirm the drug's clinical benefit or are not completed in a timely manner, the FDA may withdraw its approval of the drug on an expedited basis. In addition, in December 2022, the Food and Drug Omnibus Reform Act of 2022 was enacted, which, among other things, provided the FDA new statutory authority to mitigate potential risks to patients from continued marketing of ineffective drugs previously granted accelerated approval and additional oversight over confirmatory trials. Under these provisions, the FDA may, among other things, require a sponsor of a product seeking accelerated approval to have a confirmatory trial underway prior to such approval being granted.

Prior to seeking approval for cretostimogene or any future product candidate we intend to seek feedback from the FDA and will otherwise evaluate our ability to seek and receive accelerated approval. There can be no assurance that after our evaluation of the feedback and other factors we will decide to pursue or submit a BLA for accelerated approval or obtain any other form of expedited development, review, or approval. Furthermore, if we decide to submit an application for accelerated approval for cretostimogene or any future product candidate,

there can be no assurance that such submission or application will be accepted or that any expedited development, review, or approval will be granted on a timely basis, or at all. The FDA could also require us to conduct further studies prior to considering our application or granting approval of any type. A failure to obtain accelerated approval or any other form of expedited development, review, or approval for cretostimogene or any future product candidate would result in a longer time period to commercialization of such product candidate, if any, could increase the cost of development of such product candidate, and could harm our competitive position in the marketplace.

Disruptions at the FDA and other government agencies caused by funding shortages or global health concerns could hinder their ability to hire, retain or deploy key leadership and other personnel, or otherwise prevent new or modified products from being developed, approved or commercialized in a timely manner or at all, which could negatively impact our business.

The ability of the FDA and other government agencies to review and approve new products can be affected by a variety of factors, including government budget and funding levels, statutory, regulatory and policy changes, a government agency's ability to hire and retain key personnel and accept the payment of user fees, and other events that may otherwise affect the government agency's ability to perform routine functions. Average review times at the FDA and other government agencies have fluctuated in recent years as a result. In addition, government funding of other government agencies that fund research and development activities is subject to the political process, which is inherently fluid and unpredictable. Disruptions at the FDA and other agencies may also slow the time necessary for new biologics or modifications to approved or licensed biologics to be reviewed and/or approved by necessary government agencies, which would adversely affect our business. For example, over the last several years, the U.S. government has shut down several times and certain regulatory agencies, such as the FDA, have had to furlough critical employees and stop critical activities.

Separately, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the FDA postponed most inspections of domestic and foreign manufacturing facilities at various points. Even though the FDA has since resumed standard inspection operations of domestic facilities where feasible, future pandemics may lead to similar inspectional or administrative delays. If any future prolonged government shutdown occurs, or if global health concerns prevent the FDA or other regulatory authorities from conducting their regular inspections, reviews, or other regulatory activities, it could significantly impact the ability of the FDA or other regulatory authorities to timely review and process our regulatory submissions, which could have a material adverse effect on our business.

Risks Related to Our Reliance on Third Parties

We rely on third parties to conduct our clinical trials and preclinical studies. If these third parties do not successfully carry out their contractual duties, comply with applicable regulatory requirements, or meet expected deadlines, cretostimogene or any future product candidate and our ability to seek or obtain regulatory approval for or commercialize cretostimogene or any future product candidates may be delayed.

We are dependent on third parties to conduct our clinical trials and preclinical studies. Specifically, we rely on, and intend to continue to rely on, medical institutions, clinical investigators, CROs and consultants to conduct our preclinical studies and clinical trials in accordance with our clinical protocols and regulatory requirements. These CROs, investigators and other third parties play a significant role in the conduct and timing of these trials and subsequent collection and analysis of data. While we have and will have agreements governing the activities of our third-party contractors, we have limited influence over their actual performance. Nevertheless, we are responsible for ensuring that each of our clinical trials is conducted in accordance with the applicable protocol and legal, regulatory and scientific standards and requirements, and our reliance on our CROs and other third parties does not relieve us of our regulatory responsibilities. In addition, we and our CROs are required to comply with Good Laboratory Practice (GLP) requirements for certain preclinical studies, as well as GCP requirements, which are regulations and guidelines enforced by the FDA and comparable foreign regulatory authorities for cretostimogene and any future product candidates in clinical development. Regulatory authorities

enforce these GCPs through periodic inspections of trial sponsors, principal investigators and trial sites. If we or any of our CROs or trial sites fail to comply with applicable GLP or GCP or other requirements, the clinical data generated in our preclinical studies or clinical trials may be deemed unreliable, and the FDA or comparable foreign regulatory authorities may require us to perform additional preclinical studies or clinical trials before approving our marketing applications, if ever. Further, our clinical trials must be conducted with products produced in accordance with cGMP regulations. Failure to comply with these regulations may require us to repeat clinical trials, which would delay the regulatory approval process.

There is no guarantee that any of our CROs, investigators or other third parties will devote adequate time and resources to such trials or studies or perform as contractually required. If any of these third parties fail to meet expected deadlines, adhere to our clinical protocols or meet regulatory requirements, or otherwise perform in a substandard manner, our clinical trials may be extended, delayed or terminated. In addition, many of the third parties with whom we contract may also have relationships with other commercial entities, including our competitors, for whom they may also be conducting clinical trials or other development activities that could harm our competitive position. In addition, principal investigators for our clinical trials have served and may in the future serve as scientific advisors or consultants to us from time to time and may receive cash or equity compensation in connection with such services. If these relationships and any related compensation result in perceived or actual conflicts of interest, or the FDA or comparable foreign regulatory authorities conclude that the financial relationship may have affected the interpretation of the study, the integrity of the data generated at the applicable clinical trial site may be questioned and the utility of the clinical trial itself may be jeopardized, which could result in the delay or rejection by the FDA or comparable foreign regulatory authorities of any BLA we submit or any comparable submission. Any such delay or rejection could prevent us from receiving regulatory approval for, or commercializing cretostimogene and any future product candidates.

Our CROs have the right to terminate their agreements with us in the event of an uncured material breach and under other specified circumstances. If any of our relationships with these third parties terminate, we may not be able to enter into arrangements with alternative third parties on commercially reasonable terms, in a timely manner or at all. Switching or adding additional CROs, investigators and other third parties involves additional cost and requires our management's time and focus. In addition, there is a natural transition period when a new CRO commences work. As a result, delays occur, which can materially impact our ability to meet our desired clinical development timelines. Though we work to carefully manage our relationships with our CROs, investigators and other third parties, there can be no assurance that we will not encounter challenges or delays in the future or that these delays or challenges will not have a material adverse impact on our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

We rely on third parties for the manufacture and shipping of cretostimogene for clinical development and expect to continue to do so for the foreseeable future. This reliance on third parties increases the risk that we will not have sufficient quantities of cretostimogene or future product candidates or such quantities at an acceptable cost, which could delay, prevent, or impair our development or commercialization efforts.

We do not own or operate manufacturing facilities and have no plans to develop our own clinical or commercial-scale manufacturing capabilities. We rely on a third-party manufacturer for the production of cretostimogene and a third-party manufacturer for the production of DDM, and expect to continue to rely on third-party manufacturers for commercial manufacture if cretostimogene or any future product candidates receive regulatory approval. The facilities used by third-party manufacturers to manufacture cretostimogene or any future product candidate must be approved for the manufacture of such product candidate by the FDA and any comparable foreign regulatory authority pursuant to inspections that will be conducted after we submit a BLA to the FDA or any comparable submission to a foreign regulatory authority. We do not control the manufacturing process of, and are completely dependent on, third-party manufacturers for compliance with cGMP requirements for manufacture of products. If these third-party manufacturers cannot successfully manufacture material that conforms to our specifications and the strict regulatory requirements of the FDA or any comparable foreign regulatory authority, they will not be able to secure and/or maintain regulatory approval for their manufacturing facilities. In addition, we have no control over the ability of third-party manufacturers to maintain adequate

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quality control, quality assurance and qualified personnel. If the FDA or any comparable foreign regulatory authority does not approve these facilities for the manufacture of cretostimogene or any future product candidates or if it withdraws any such approval in the future, we may need to find alternative manufacturing facilities, which would significantly impact our ability to develop, obtain regulatory approval for or market cretostimogene or any future product candidates, if approved. Our failure, or the failure of our third-party manufacturers, to comply with applicable regulations could result in sanctions being imposed on us, including clinical holds, fines, injunctions, civil penalties, delays, suspension or withdrawal of approvals, seizures or recalls of cretostimogene or any future product candidates, operating restrictions and criminal prosecutions, any of which could significantly and adversely affect supplies of cretostimogene or any future product candidates.

Our or a third party's failure to execute on our manufacturing requirements on commercially reasonable terms, in a timely manner and in compliance with cGMP or other regulatory requirements could adversely affect our business in a number of ways, including:

- an inability to initiate or continue clinical trials of cretostimogene or any future product candidates, or a hold on clinical trials of cretostimogene or any future product candidates;
- delay in submitting regulatory applications, or receiving regulatory approvals, for cretostimogene or any future product candidates;
- subjecting third-party manufacturing facilities to additional inspections by regulatory authorities;
- requirements to cease development or to recall batches of cretostimogene or any future product candidates; and
- in the event of approval to market and commercialize cretostimogene or any future product candidates, an inability to meet commercial demands for cretostimogene or any future product candidates.

For example, our IND for cretostimogene was previously placed on partial clinical hold by the FDA that was lifted in March 2020, primarily due to CMC-related issues attributable to product supplied by our prior third-party manufacturer, who was purchased by another third-party supplier, resulting in clinical development delays. In addition, we do not have any long-term commitments or supply agreements with our third-party manufacturers. We may be unable to establish any long-term supply agreements with third-party manufacturers or to do so on acceptable terms or at all, which increases the risk of failing to timely obtain sufficient quantities of cretostimogene or such quantities at an acceptable cost. Even if we are able to establish agreements with third-party manufacturers, reliance on third-party manufacturers entails additional risks, including:

- failure of third-party manufacturers to comply with regulatory requirements and maintain quality assurance;
- breach of the manufacturing agreement by the third party;
- failure to manufacture our product according to our specifications;
- failure to obtain adequate raw materials and other materials required for manufacturing;
- failure to manufacture our product according to our schedule or at all;
- failure to successfully scale up manufacturing capacity, if required;
- misappropriation of our proprietary information, including our trade secrets and know-how; and
- termination or nonrenewal of the agreement by the third party at a time that is costly or inconvenient for us.

Further, cretostimogene and any future product candidates that we may develop may compete with other product candidates and products for access to manufacturing facilities.

We also rely on a third party to store and transport cretostimogene at temperatures within a certain range, which is known as "strict cold chain" storage and transportation. Any failure by this third party to store or

transport cretostimogene at the appropriate temperature could impair the quality of cretostimogene or cause cretostimogene to become unsuitable for use, which could result in lost inventories, increased costs or delays in clinical development.

Any performance failure on the part of our existing or future manufacturers, suppliers or vendors could delay clinical development or regulatory approval, and any related remedial measures may be costly or time consuming to implement. We do not currently have arrangements in place for redundant manufacturing of cretostimogene and DDM. In addition, there are a limited number of manufacturers capable of manufacturing viral therapies such as cretostimogene, and therefore any need to switch third-party manufacturers may result in development and commercialization delays and increase our operating costs. If our existing or future third-party manufacturers and suppliers cannot perform as agreed or cannot fulfill our commercial supply requirements, we may be required to replace such manufacturers or suppliers and we may be unable to replace them on a timely basis or at all. If we later switch third-party manufacturers, we may be unable to demonstrate comparability between lots produced previously and those produced by such new third-party manufacturers, in which case we may be required to gather additional data utilizing material produced by such new third-party manufacturers before we are able to submit a BLA for cretostimogene, if ever.

In addition, our current and anticipated future dependence upon others for the manufacture of cretostimogene or any future product candidates may adversely affect our future profit margins and our ability to commercialize any products that receive regulatory approval on a timely and competitive basis.

Our reliance on third parties requires us to share our trade secrets, which increases the possibility that a competitor or other third party will discover them or that our trade secrets will be misappropriated or disclosed.

Because we currently rely on third parties to manufacture cretostimogene and to perform quality testing, we must, at times, share our proprietary technology and confidential information, including trade secrets, with them. We seek to protect our proprietary technology, in part, by entering into confidentiality agreements, and, if applicable, material transfer agreements, collaborative research agreements, consulting agreements or other similar agreements with our collaborators, advisors, employees and consultants prior to beginning research or disclosing proprietary information. These agreements typically limit the rights of the third parties to use or disclose our confidential information. Despite the contractual provisions employed when working with third parties, the need to share trade secrets and other confidential information increases the risk that such trade secrets become known by our competitors or other third parties, are intentionally or inadvertently incorporated into the technology of others, or are disclosed or used in violation of these agreements. Given that our proprietary position is based, in part, on our know-how and trade secrets and despite our efforts to protect our trade secrets, a competitor's or other third party's discovery of our proprietary technology and confidential information or other unauthorized use or disclosure of such technology or information would impair our competitive position and may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

We have entered into, and may in the future enter into, collaboration agreements and strategic alliances to maximize the potential of cretostimogene, and we may not realize the anticipated benefits of such collaborations or alliances. We may continue to form collaborations or alliances in the future with respect to cretostimogene or any future product candidates, but may be unable to do so or to realize the potential benefits of such transactions, which may cause us to alter or delay our development and commercialization plans.

We have entered into, and may in the future seek to enter into, collaborations, joint ventures, licenses and other similar arrangements for the development or, if approved, commercialization of cretostimogene and any future product candidates due to capital costs required to develop or commercialize such product candidates or otherwise. For example, we have entered into license and collaboration agreements with Lepu Biotech Co., Ltd. (Lepu) and Kissei Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. (Kissei), pursuant to which we granted Lepu exclusive rights to develop and commercialize cretostimogene and/or DDM in Greater China, including Hong Kong and Macau (the

Lepu Territory), and granted Kissei exclusive rights to develop and commercialize cretostimogene in combination with DDM in Japan and other Asian countries (excluding the Lepu territory). We may not be successful in our efforts to establish or maintain such collaborations because our research and development pipeline may be insufficient, future product candidates may be deemed to be at too early of a stage of development for collaborative effort or third parties may not view cretostimogene or any future product candidates as having the requisite potential to demonstrate safety, purity and potency (or efficacy), or significant commercial opportunity. In addition, we face significant competition in seeking appropriate strategic partners, and the negotiation process can be time-consuming and complex. Even if we are successful in our efforts to establish or maintain such collaborations, the terms that we agree upon may not be favorable to us. As a result, we may need to relinquish valuable rights to our future revenue streams, research programs, intellectual property, cretostimogene or any future product candidates, or grant licenses on terms that may not be favorable to us, as part of any such arrangement, and such arrangements may restrict us from entering into additional agreements with other potential collaborators. In addition, our current collaborations limit, and potential future collaborations may limit, our control over the amount and timing of resources that our collaborators will dedicate to the development or commercialization of cretostimogene or any future product candidates. Our ability to generate revenue from these arrangements will depend on any current or future collaborators' abilities to successfully perform the functions assigned to them in these arrangements. We cannot be certain that, following a collaboration, license, or strategic transaction, we will achieve an economic benefit that justifies such transaction, and such transaction may not yield additional development product candidates for our pipeline. Furthermore, we may not be able to maintain such collaborations if, for example, the development or approval of cretostimogene or any future product candidate is delayed, the safety of any such product candidate is questioned, or the sales of cretostimogene, if approved, or an approved future product candidate, are unsatisfactory.

In addition, our current collaborations are, and potential future collaborations may be, terminable by our strategic partners, and we may not be able to adequately protect our rights under these agreements. Furthermore, strategic partners may negotiate for certain rights to control decisions regarding the development and, if approved, commercialization of cretostimogene or any future product candidates, and may not conduct those activities in the same manner as we do. Any termination of collaborations we enter into in the future, or any delay in entering into collaborations related to cretostimogene or any future product candidates, could delay the development and, if approved, commercialization of such product candidates, and reduce their competitiveness if they reach the market, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

Risks Related to Commercialization of Cretostimogene and any Future Product Candidates

Even if we receive regulatory approval for cretostimogene or any future product candidates, we will be subject to ongoing regulatory obligations and continued regulatory review, which may result in significant additional expense.

Any regulatory approvals that we may receive for cretostimogene or any future product candidates will require the submission of reports to regulatory authorities, subject us to surveillance to monitor the safety and efficacy of the product, may contain significant limitations related to use restrictions for specified age groups, warnings, precautions or contraindications, and may include burdensome post-approval study or risk management requirements. For example, the FDA may require a REMS as a condition of approval of cretostimogene or any future product candidates, which could include requirements for a medication guide, physician communication plans or additional elements to ensure safe use, such as restricted distribution methods, patient registries and other risk minimization tools.

In addition, if the FDA or a comparable foreign regulatory authority approves cretostimogene or any future product candidates, the manufacturing processes, labeling, packaging, distribution, adverse event reporting, storage, advertising, promotion, import, export and recordkeeping for our products will be subject to extensive and ongoing regulatory requirements. These requirements include submissions of safety and other post-

marketing information and reports, registration, as well as continued compliance with cGMPs and GCP requirements for any clinical trials that we conduct post-approval. Manufacturers of approved products and their facilities are subject to continual review and periodic, unannounced inspections by the FDA and other regulatory authorities for compliance with cGMP regulations and standards. Failure to comply with regulatory requirements or later discovery of previously unknown problems with our products, including adverse events of unanticipated severity or frequency, or with our third-party manufacturers or manufacturing processes, may result in, among other things:

- restrictions on the marketing or manufacturing of our products, withdrawal of the product from the market or voluntary or mandatory product recalls;
- restrictions on product distribution or use, or requirements to conduct post-marketing studies or clinical trials;
- restrictions on our ability to conduct clinical trials, including full or partial clinical holds on ongoing or planned trials;
- fines, restitutions, disgorgement of profits or revenue, warning letters, untitled letters, adverse publicity requirements or holds on clinical trials;
- refusal by the FDA or other regulatory authorities to approve pending applications or supplements to approved applications submitted by us or suspension or revocation of approvals;
- product seizure or detention, or refusal to permit the import or export of our products; and
- injunctions and the imposition of civil or criminal penalties.

The occurrence of any event or penalty described above may inhibit our ability to commercialize cretostimogene or any future product candidates and generate revenue and could require us to expend significant time and resources in response and could generate negative publicity.

The FDA's and other regulatory authorities' policies may change and additional government regulations may be promulgated that could prevent, limit or delay marketing authorization of cretostimogene or any future product candidates. We also cannot predict the likelihood, nature or extent of government regulation that may arise from future legislation or administrative action, either in the United States or abroad. If we are slow or unable to adapt to changes in existing requirements or the adoption of new requirements or policies, or if we are not able to maintain regulatory compliance, we may be subject to enforcement action and we may not achieve or sustain profitability.

The FDA and other regulatory agencies actively enforce the laws and regulations prohibiting the promotion of off-label uses.

The FDA and other regulatory agencies strictly regulate the promotional claims that may be made about prescription products, such as cretostimogene or any future product candidates, if approved. In particular, a product may not be promoted for uses that are not approved by the FDA or such other regulatory agencies as reflected in the product's approved labeling. If we receive regulatory approval for cretostimogene or any future product candidates, physicians may nevertheless prescribe it to their patients in a manner that is inconsistent with the approved label. If we are found to have promoted such off-label uses, we may become subject to significant liability. The U.S. federal government has levied large civil and criminal fines against companies for alleged improper promotion of off-label use and has enjoined several companies from engaging in off-label promotion. The government has also required companies to enter into consent decrees or imposed permanent injunctions under which specified promotional conduct is changed or curtailed. If we cannot successfully manage the promotion of cretostimogene or any future product candidates, if approved, we could become subject to significant liability, which would materially adversely affect our business and financial condition.

Any product candidates for which we intend to seek approval as biologic products may face competition sooner than anticipated

The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, signed into law on March 23, 2010, includes a subtitle called the Biologics Price Competition and Innovation Act of 2009 (BPCIA), which created an abbreviated approval pathway for biological products that are biosimilar to or interchangeable with an FDA-licensed reference biological product. Under the BPCIA, an application for a biosimilar product may not be submitted to the FDA until four years following the date that the reference product was first licensed by the FDA. In addition, the approval of a biosimilar product may not be made effective by the FDA until 12 years from the date on which the reference product was first licensed. During this 12-year period of exclusivity, another company may still market a competing version of the reference product if the FDA approves a full BLA for one of our reference products containing the sponsor's own preclinical data and data from adequate and well-controlled clinical trials to demonstrate the safety, purity and potency (or efficacy) of its product.

We believe that any cretostimogene or any future product candidates, if approved as a biological product under a BLA, should qualify for the 12-year period of exclusivity. However, there is a risk that this exclusivity could be shortened due to Congressional action or otherwise, or that the FDA will not consider our product candidates to be reference products for competing products, potentially creating the opportunity for generic competition sooner than anticipated. Moreover, the extent to which a biosimilar, once approved, could be substituted for any one of our reference products in a way that is similar to traditional generic substitution for non-biological products will depend on a number of marketplace and regulatory factors continue to develop.

The commercial success of cretostimogene or any future product candidates will depend upon the degree of market acceptance of such product candidates by physicians, patients, healthcare payors, and others in the medical community.

Cretostimogene and any future product candidates may not be commercially successful. Even if cretostimogene or any future product candidates receive regulatory approval, they may not gain market acceptance among physicians, patients, healthcare payors, or the medical community. The commercial success of cretostimogene or any future product candidates will depend significantly on the broad adoption and use of the resulting product by these individuals and organizations for approved indications. In particular, given a significant portion of large urology practices are concentrated in a relatively small number of urology physician groups, market adoption by such groups will be an important factor in potential commercial success. The degree of market acceptance of our products will depend on a number of factors, including:

- demonstration of clinical efficacy and safety, including as compared to any more-established products;
- the indications for which cretostimogene or any future product candidates are approved, if any;
- the limitation of our targeted patient population and other limitations or warnings contained in any FDA-approved labeling;
- acceptance of a new drug for the relevant indication by healthcare providers and their patients;
- the pricing and cost-effectiveness of our products, as well as the cost of treatment with our products in relation to alternative treatments and therapies;
- our ability to obtain and maintain sufficient third-party coverage and adequate reimbursement from government healthcare programs, including Medicare and Medicaid, private health insurers and other third-party payors;
- the willingness of patients to pay all, or a portion of, out-of-pocket costs associated with our products in the absence of sufficient third-party coverage and adequate reimbursement;
- any restrictions on the use of our products, and the prevalence and severity of any adverse effects;
- potential product liability claims;

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- the timing of market introduction of our products as well as availability, safety and efficacy of competitive drugs;
- the effectiveness of our or any current or future collaborators' sales and marketing strategies; and
- unfavorable publicity relating to the product.

If cretostimogene or any future product candidates is approved but does not achieve an adequate level of acceptance by physicians, hospitals, healthcare payors or patients, we may not generate sufficient revenue from that product and may not become or remain profitable. Our efforts to educate the medical community and third-party payors regarding the benefits of our products may require significant resources and may never be successful.

The successful commercialization of cretostimogene or any future product candidates, if approved, will depend in part on the extent to which governmental authorities and health insurers establish coverage, adequate reimbursement levels and favorable pricing policies. Failure to obtain or maintain coverage and adequate reimbursement for our products could limit our ability to market those products and decrease our ability to generate revenue.

The availability of coverage and the adequacy of reimbursement by governmental healthcare programs such as Medicare and Medicaid, private health insurers and other third-party payors are essential for most patients to be able to afford prescription medications such as cretostimogene or any future product candidates, if approved. Our ability to achieve coverage and acceptable levels of reimbursement for our products by third-party payors will have an effect on our ability to successfully commercialize those products. Accordingly, we will need to successfully implement a coverage and reimbursement strategy for any approved product candidate. Even if we obtain coverage for a given product by a third-party payor, the resulting reimbursement payment rates may not be adequate or may require co-payments that patients find unacceptably high.

If we participate in the Medicaid Drug Rebate Program or other governmental pricing programs, in certain circumstances, our products would be subject to ceiling prices set by such programs, which could reduce the revenue we may generate from any such products. Participation in such programs would also expose us to the risk of significant civil monetary penalties, sanctions and fines should we be found to be in violation of any applicable obligations thereunder.

Third-party payors increasingly are challenging prices charged for biopharmaceutical products and services, and many third-party payors may refuse to provide coverage and reimbursement for particular drugs when an equivalent generic drug or a less expensive therapy is available. It is possible that a third-party payor may consider our products as substitutable and offer to reimburse patients only for the less expensive product. Even if we are successful in demonstrating improved efficacy or improved convenience of administration with our products, pricing of existing drugs may limit the amount we will be able to charge for our products. These payors may deny or revoke the reimbursement status of a given product or establish prices for new or existing marketed products at levels that are too low to enable us to realize an appropriate return on our investment in product development. If reimbursement is not available or is available only at limited levels, we may not be able to successfully commercialize our products and may not be able to obtain a satisfactory financial return on products that we may develop.

There is significant uncertainty related to third-party payor coverage and reimbursement of newly approved products. In the United States, third-party payors, including private and governmental payors, such as the Medicare and Medicaid programs, play an important role in determining the extent to which new drugs will be covered. Some third-party payors may require pre-approval of coverage for new or innovative devices or drug therapies before they will reimburse healthcare providers who use such therapies. It is difficult to predict at this time what third-party payors will decide with respect to the coverage and reimbursement for cretostimogene or any future product candidates.

Obtaining and maintaining reimbursement status is time-consuming, costly and uncertain. The Medicare and Medicaid programs increasingly are used as models for how private payors and other governmental payors develop their coverage and reimbursement policies for drugs. However, no uniform policy for coverage and reimbursement for products exists among third-party payors in the United States. Therefore, coverage and reimbursement for products can differ significantly from payor to payor. As a result, the coverage determination process is often a time consuming and costly process that will require us to provide scientific and clinical support for the use of our products to each payor separately, with no assurance that coverage and adequate reimbursement will be applied consistently or obtained in the first instance. Furthermore, rules and regulations regarding reimbursement change frequently, and, in some cases, at short notice, and we believe that changes in these rules and regulations are likely. For products administered under the supervision of a physician, obtaining coverage and adequate reimbursement may be particularly difficult because of the higher prices often associated with such drugs. Additionally, separate reimbursement for the product itself or the treatment or procedure in which the product is used may not be available, which may impact physician utilization.

Outside the United States, international operations are generally subject to extensive governmental price controls and other market regulations, and we believe the increasing emphasis on cost-containment initiatives in Europe and other countries has and will continue to put pressure on the pricing and usage of cretostimogene or any future product candidates, if approved in these jurisdictions. In many countries, the prices of medical products are subject to varying price control mechanisms as part of national health systems. Other countries allow companies to fix their own prices for medical products but monitor and control company profits. Additional foreign price controls or other changes in pricing regulation could restrict the amount that we are able to charge for our products. Accordingly, in markets outside the United States, the reimbursement for our products may be reduced compared with the United States and may be insufficient to generate commercially reasonable revenue and profits.

Moreover, increasing efforts by governmental and third-party payors in the United States and abroad to cap or reduce healthcare costs may cause such organizations to limit both coverage and the level of reimbursement for newly approved products and, as a result, they may not cover or provide adequate payment for our products. We expect to experience pricing pressures in connection with the sale of any of our products due to the trend toward managed healthcare, the increasing influence of health maintenance organizations and additional legislative changes. The downward pressure on healthcare costs in general, and prescription drugs, surgical procedures and other treatments in particular, has become very intense. As a result, increasingly high barriers are being erected to the entry of new products. See the section titled “Risk Factors—Risks Related to Our Business Operations and Industry—Current and future healthcare reform legislation or regulation may increase the difficulty and cost for us to obtain coverage for and commercialize cretostimogene or any future product candidates and may adversely affect the prices we may set” for additional related information.

We face significant competition from entities that have developed or may develop product candidates for cancer, including companies developing novel treatments and technology platforms. If our competitors develop and commercialize their product candidates more rapidly than we do, or their technologies or product candidates are more effective, safer, or less expensive than cretostimogene or any future product candidates we develop, our business and our ability to develop and successfully commercialize products may be adversely affected.

The biopharmaceutical industry is characterized by rapid advancing technologies, intense competition and a strong emphasis on proprietary and novel products and product candidates. Our competitors have developed, are developing or may develop products, product candidates and processes competitive with cretostimogene. Cretostimogene and any future product candidates we successfully develop and commercialize will compete with existing therapies and new therapies that may become available in the future. We believe that a significant number of products are currently under development, and may become commercially available in the future, for the treatment of indications for which we are developing cretostimogene. In particular, there is intense competition in the oncology field. Our competitors include larger and better-funded pharmaceutical,

biopharmaceutical, biotechnological and therapeutics companies. Moreover, we may also compete with universities and other research institutions that may be active in oncology research and could be in direct competition with us. We also compete with these organizations to recruit management, scientists and clinical development personnel, and our inability to compete successfully could negatively affect our level of expertise and our ability to execute our business plan. We will also face competition in establishing clinical trial sites, enrolling patients for clinical trials and identifying and in-licensing intellectual property related to future product candidates, as well as entering into collaborations, joint ventures, license agreements and other similar arrangements. Smaller or early-stage companies may also prove to be significant competitors, particularly through collaborative arrangements with large and established companies.

If cretostimogene or any future product candidates are approved, they will compete with surgery, radiation, and drug therapy, including chemotherapy, BCG, hormone therapy, biologic therapy, such as monoclonal and bispecific antibodies, antibody-drug conjugates, radiopharmaceuticals, immunotherapy, cell-based therapy, and targeted therapy, or a combination of any such methods, either approved or under development, which are intended to treat the same indications that we are targeting or may target, including through approaches that may prove to be more effective, have fewer side effects, be less costly to manufacture, be more convenient to administer or have other advantages over cretostimogene and any future product candidates. To the extent Merck & Co. (Merck) or another manufacturer increases the supply of BCG, there may be less demand for alternative treatments such as cretostimogene in BCG-naïve or BCG-exposed patients. There are numerous companies that have commercialized or are developing treatments for NMIBC that we will compete with, including Bristol Meyers Squibb, enGene Inc., Gilead Sciences, Inc., Hoffman-La Roche AG (Roche), ImmunityBio Inc., Johnson & Johnson Inc., Merck, Protara Therapeutics, Inc., Pfizer, Inc. and UroGen Pharma, Inc.

Many of our competitors have significantly greater financial, technical, manufacturing, marketing, sales and supply resources or experience than we do. If we successfully obtain approval for cretostimogene or any future product candidate, we will face competition based on many different factors, including the safety and effectiveness of our product candidates, the ease with which our product candidates can be administered, and the extent to which patients accept relatively new routes of administration, the timing and scope of regulatory approvals for these product candidates, the availability and cost of manufacturing, marketing and sales capabilities, price, reimbursement coverage, and patent position. Competing products could present superior treatment alternatives, including by being more effective, safer, more convenient, less expensive, or marketed and sold more effectively than any products we may develop. Competitive products may make cretostimogene or any future product candidates we develop obsolete or noncompetitive before we recover the expense of their development and commercialization. If we are unable to compete effectively, our opportunity to generate revenue from the sale of cretostimogene or any future product candidates we may develop, if approved, could be adversely affected.

If the market opportunities for cretostimogene or any future product candidates are smaller than we believe they are, our revenue may be adversely affected, and our business may suffer.

Cancer therapies are defined by lines of therapy as well as by treatment-naïve or previously-treated status. Often the initial approval for a new therapy is in later lines and subsequent approval in an earlier line may not be feasible. When cancer is detected early enough, first line therapy is sometimes adequate to cure the cancer or prolong life without a cure. Whenever first line therapy, including surgery, radiation therapy, targeted therapy, immunotherapy, chemotherapy, hormone therapy, or a combination of these, proves unsuccessful, second line therapy may be administered. Second line therapies often consist of additional chemotherapy, radiation, antibody drugs, tumor targeted small molecules, or a combination of these. Third line therapies can include antibody and small molecule targeted therapies, more invasive forms of surgery, and new technologies. In markets with approved therapies, there is no guarantee that cretostimogene or any future product candidate, even if approved, would be approved for second line or first line therapy. This could limit our potential market opportunity. In addition, we may have to conduct additional clinical trials prior to gaining approval for second line or first line therapy.

Our projections of both the number of people who have the cancers we are targeting, as well as the subset of people with these cancers in a position to receive later stage therapy and who have the potential to benefit from treatment with cretostimogene or any future product candidate, are based on our beliefs and estimates. These estimates have been derived from a variety of sources, including the scientific literature, publicly available clinical molecular reports, patient foundations, or market research, and may prove to be incorrect. Further, new trials or information may change the estimated incidence or prevalence of these cancers. The number of patients in the United States and other major markets and elsewhere may turn out to be lower than expected, patients may not be otherwise amenable to treatment with our products, or new patients may become increasingly difficult to identify or gain access to, all of which would adversely affect our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects. Further, even if we obtain significant market share for cretostimogene or any future product candidate, because some of our potential target populations are very small, we may never achieve profitability despite obtaining such significant market share.

We currently have no marketing and sales organization and have no experience as a company in commercializing products, and we may need to invest significant resources to develop these capabilities. If we are unable to establish marketing and sales capabilities or enter into agreements with third parties to market, sell and distribute our products, we may not be able to generate product revenue.

We have no internal sales, marketing or distribution capabilities, nor have we ever commercialized a product. If cretostimogene or any future product candidate ultimately receives regulatory approval, we must build a marketing and sales organization with technical expertise and supporting distribution capabilities to commercialize each such product in major markets, which will be expensive and time consuming, or collaborate with third parties that have direct sales forces and established distribution systems, either to augment our own sales force and distribution systems or in lieu of our own sales force and distribution systems. For example, if cretostimogene is approved, we will need to scale up a cost-effective and reliable cold chain distribution and logistics network, which we may be unable to accomplish and which will require us to rely on third-party distributors. Failure to scale up our cold chain supply logistics, by us or third parties, could in the future lead to additional manufacturing costs and delays in our ability to supply required quantities for commercial supply.

We have no prior experience as a company with the marketing, sale or distribution of biopharmaceutical products and there are significant risks involved in the building and managing of a sales organization, including our ability to hire, retain and incentivize qualified individuals, generate sufficient sales leads, provide adequate training to sales and marketing personnel and effectively manage a geographically dispersed sales and marketing team. Any failure or delay in the development of our internal sales, marketing and distribution capabilities would adversely impact the commercialization of these products. We may not be able to enter into collaborations or hire consultants or external service providers to assist us in sales, marketing and distribution functions on acceptable financial terms, or at all. In addition, our product revenue and our profitability, if any, may be lower if we rely on third parties for these functions than if we were to market, sell and distribute any products that we develop ourselves. We likely will have little control over such third parties, and any of them may fail to devote the necessary resources and attention to sell and market our products effectively. If we are not successful in commercializing our products, either on our own or through arrangements with one or more third parties, we may not be able to generate any future product revenue and we would incur significant additional losses.

Our future growth may depend, in part, on our ability to operate in foreign markets, where we would be subject to additional regulatory burdens and other risks and uncertainties.

Our future growth may depend, in part, on our ability to develop and commercialize cretostimogene or any future product candidates in foreign markets. We are not permitted to market or promote cretostimogene or any future product candidate before we receive regulatory approval from applicable regulatory authorities in foreign markets, and we may never receive such regulatory approvals for cretostimogene or any future product candidates. To obtain separate regulatory approval in many other countries we must comply with numerous and varying regulatory requirements regarding safety and efficacy and governing, among other things, clinical trials,

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commercial sales, pricing and distribution of cretostimogene or any future product candidates. Approval procedures may be more onerous than those in the United States and may require that we conduct additional preclinical studies or clinical trials. If we obtain regulatory approval of cretostimogene or any future product candidates and ultimately commercialize our products in foreign markets, we would be subject to additional risks and uncertainties, including:

- different regulatory requirements for approval of drugs in foreign countries;
- reduced protection for intellectual property rights;
- the existence of additional third-party patent rights of potential relevance to our business;
- compliance with export control and import laws and regulations and unexpected changes in tariffs, trade barriers and regulatory requirements;
- economic weakness, including inflation, or political instability in particular foreign economies and markets;
- compliance with tax, employment, immigration and labor laws for employees living or traveling abroad;
- foreign currency fluctuations, which could result in increased operating expenses and reduced revenue, and other obligations incident to doing business in another country;
- foreign reimbursement, pricing, and insurance regimes;
- workforce uncertainty in countries where labor unrest is common;
- production shortages resulting from any events affecting raw material supply or manufacturing capabilities abroad; and
- business interruptions resulting from geopolitical actions, including war and terrorism, public health pandemics or epidemics, or natural disasters including earthquakes, typhoons, floods and fires.

Risks Related to Our Business Operations and Industry

Our operating results may fluctuate significantly, which makes our future operating results difficult to predict and could cause our operating results to fall below expectations or any guidance we may provide.

Our quarterly and annual operating results may fluctuate significantly, which makes it difficult for us to predict our future operating results. These fluctuations may occur due to a variety of factors, many of which are outside of our control, including, but not limited to:

- the timing and cost of, and level of investment in, research, development, regulatory approval, and commercialization activities relating to cretostimogene or any future product candidates, which may change from time to time, including the need to conduct unanticipated clinical trials or trials that are larger or more complex than anticipated;
- our ability to enroll patients in clinical trials and the timing of enrollment;
- the timing and success or failure of preclinical studies or clinical trials for cretostimogene or any future product candidates or competing product candidates, or any other change in the competitive landscape of our industry, including consolidation among our competitors or partners;
- coverage and reimbursement policies with respect to cretostimogene or any future product candidates, if approved, and potential future drugs that compete with our products;
- the cost of manufacturing cretostimogene or any future product candidates, which may vary depending on the quantity of production and the terms of our agreements with third-party manufacturers;

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- expenditures that we may incur to acquire, in-license, develop, or commercialize additional product candidates;
- the level of demand for any approved products, which may vary significantly and be difficult to predict;
- our ability to commercialize cretostimogene or any future product candidates, if approved, inside and outside of the United States, either independently or working with third parties;
- our ability to establish and maintain collaborations, licensing or other arrangements;
- potential unforeseen business disruptions that increase our costs or expenses;
- future accounting pronouncements or changes in our accounting policies; and
- the timing and amount of any milestone, royalty or other payments payable by us or due to us under any collaboration, licensing or other similar agreement.

The cumulative effects of these factors could result in large fluctuations and unpredictability in our quarterly and annual operating results. As a result, comparing our operating results on a period-to-period basis may not be meaningful. Investors should not rely on our past results as an indication of our future performance.

This variability and unpredictability could also result in our failing to meet the expectations of industry or financial analysts or investors for any period. If our revenue or operating results fall below the expectations of analysts or investors or below any forecasts we may provide to the market, or if the forecasts we provide to the market are below the expectations of analysts or investors, the price of our common stock could decline substantially. Such a stock price decline could occur even when we have met any previously publicly stated revenue or earnings guidance we may provide.

Our success is dependent on our ability to attract and retain highly qualified management and other clinical and scientific personnel.

Our success depends in part on our continued ability to attract, recruit, retain, manage, and motivate highly qualified management, clinical, and scientific personnel, and we face significant competition for experienced personnel. We are highly dependent upon our senior management, as well as our senior scientists and other members of our management team. The loss of services of any of these individuals could delay or prevent the successful development of our product pipeline, initiation or completion of our clinical trials and preclinical studies, regulatory approvals or the commercialization of cretostimogene or any future product candidates. Although we have executed employment agreements or offer letters with each member of our senior management team, these agreements are terminable at will with or without notice and, therefore, we may not be able to retain their services as expected. We do not currently maintain “key person” life insurance on the lives of our executives or any of our employees. This lack of insurance means that we may not have adequate compensation for the loss of the services of these individuals.

In addition, employment candidates and existing employees often consider the value of the stock awards they receive in connection with their employment. If the perceived benefits of our stock awards decline, either because we are a public company or for other reasons, it may harm our ability to recruit and retain highly skilled employees. Our employees may be more likely to leave us if the shares they own have significantly appreciated in value relative to the original purchase prices of the shares, or if the exercise prices of the options that they hold are significantly below the market price of our common stock, particularly after the expiration of the lock-up agreements described herein.

We will need to expand and effectively manage our managerial, operational, financial and other resources in order to successfully pursue our clinical development and commercialization efforts. We may not be successful in maintaining our unique company culture and continuing to attract or retain qualified management, clinical, and

scientific personnel in the future due to the intense competition for qualified personnel among biopharmaceutical, biotechnology and other businesses. Our industry has experienced a high rate of turnover of management personnel in recent years. If we are not able to attract, integrate, retain and motivate necessary personnel to accomplish our business objectives, we may experience constraints that will significantly impede the achievement of our development objectives, our ability to raise additional capital and our ability to implement our business strategy.

We may encounter difficulties in managing our growth and expanding our operations successfully, including our recent CFO transition, which could disrupt our operations.

As of December 27, 2023, we had 61 full-time employees. As we continue development and pursue the potential commercialization of cretostimogene or any future product candidates, as well as transition to functioning as a public company, we will need to expand our financial, development, regulatory, manufacturing, information technology, marketing and sales capabilities or contract with third parties to provide these capabilities for us. As our operations expand, we expect that we will need to manage additional relationships with various strategic partners, suppliers and other third parties and we may not be successful in doing so. Our future financial performance and our ability to develop and commercialize cretostimogene and any future product candidates and to compete effectively will depend, in part, on our ability to manage any future growth effectively.

In addition, in January 2024, we appointed Corleen Roche as our Chief Financial Officer succeeding Stephen DiPalma. While we expect Mr. DiPalma to continue to provide consulting services to assist with the transition on a part-time basis, we may experience difficulties associated with timely and successfully executing a smooth transition of the Chief Financial Officer functions.

We are subject to various U.S. federal, state and foreign healthcare laws and regulations, which could increase compliance costs, and our failure to comply with these laws and regulations could harm our reputation, subject us to significant fines and liability or otherwise adversely affect our business.

Our business operations and current and future arrangements with investigators, healthcare professionals, consultants, third-party payors, patient organizations and customers expose us to broadly applicable foreign, federal and state fraud and abuse and other healthcare laws and regulations. These laws may constrain the business or financial arrangements and relationships through which we conduct our operations, including how we research, market, sell and distribute any products for which we obtain regulatory approval. Such laws include:

- the federal Anti-Kickback Statute, which prohibits, among other things, persons or entities from knowingly and willfully soliciting, offering, receiving or providing any remuneration (including any kickback, bribe or certain rebates), directly or indirectly, overtly or covertly, in cash or in kind, in return for, either the referral of an individual or the purchase, lease, or order, or arranging for or recommending the purchase, lease, or order of any good, facility, item or service, for which payment may be made, in whole or in part, under a federal healthcare program such as Medicare and Medicaid. A person or entity does not need to have actual knowledge of the federal Anti-Kickback Statute or specific intent to violate it in order to have committed a violation;
- the federal false claims laws, including the civil False Claims Act, and civil monetary penalties laws, which prohibit, among other things, individuals or entities from knowingly presenting, or causing to be presented, to the federal government, claims for payment or approval that are false or fraudulent, knowingly making, using or causing to be made or used, a false record or statement material to a false or fraudulent claim, or from knowingly making or causing to be made a false statement to avoid, decrease or conceal an obligation to pay money to the federal government. In addition, the government may assert that a claim including items or services resulting from a violation of the federal Anti-Kickback Statute constitutes a false or fraudulent claim for purposes of the civil False Claims Act;
- the federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA), which imposes criminal and civil liability for, among other things, knowingly and willfully executing, or attempting to

execute, a scheme to defraud any healthcare benefit program, or knowingly and willfully falsifying, concealing or covering up a material fact or making any materially false statement, in connection with the delivery of, or payment for, healthcare benefits, items or services. Similar to the federal Anti-Kickback Statute, a person or entity does not need to have actual knowledge of the statute or specific intent to violate it in order to have committed a violation;

- the federal Physician Payments Sunshine Act, which requires certain manufacturers of drugs, devices, biologics and medical supplies for which payment is available under Medicare, Medicaid or the Children's Health Insurance Program (with certain exceptions) to report annually to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), information related to payments and other "transfers of value" made to physicians (defined to include doctors, dentists, optometrists, podiatrists and chiropractors), certain non-physician practitioners (physician assistants, nurse practitioners, clinical nurse specialists, certified nurse anesthetists, anesthesiology assistants and certified nurse-midwives), and teaching hospitals and other healthcare providers, as well as ownership and investment interests held by physicians and their immediate family members; and
- analogous state and foreign laws and regulations, such as state anti-kickback and false claims laws, which may apply to sales or marketing arrangements and claims involving healthcare items or services reimbursed by non-governmental third-party payors, including private insurers; some state laws require biopharmaceutical companies to comply with the biopharmaceutical industry's voluntary compliance guidelines and the relevant compliance guidance promulgated by the federal government and may require drug manufacturers to report information related to payments and other transfers of value to physicians and other healthcare providers or marketing expenditures; some state laws that require biopharmaceutical companies to report information on the pricing of certain drug products; and some state and local laws that require the registration or pharmaceutical sales representatives.

Efforts to ensure that our current and future business arrangements with third parties will comply with applicable healthcare and privacy laws and regulations will involve ongoing substantial costs. It is possible that governmental authorities will conclude that our business practices, including certain consulting agreements and advisory board agreements we have entered into with physicians who are paid, in part, in the form of stock or stock options, may not comply with current or future statutes, regulations or case law involving applicable fraud and abuse or other healthcare laws and regulations. Due to the breadth of these laws, the narrowness of statutory exceptions and regulatory safe harbors available, and the range of interpretations to which they are subject, it is possible that some of our current or future practices might be challenged under one or more of these laws. If our operations are found to be in violation of any of these laws or any other governmental regulations that may apply to us, we may be subject to significant penalties, including civil, criminal and administrative penalties, damages, fines, disgorgement, imprisonment, exclusion from participation in government-funded healthcare programs, such as Medicare and Medicaid, integrity oversight and reporting obligations, contractual damages, reputational harm, diminished profits and future earnings and the curtailment or restructuring of our operations. Defending against any such actions can be costly and time-consuming and may require significant financial and personnel resources. Therefore, even if we are successful in defending against any such actions that may be brought against us, our business may be impaired. Further, if any of the physicians or other healthcare providers or entities with whom we expect to do business are found not to be in compliance with applicable laws or regulations, they may be subject to significant criminal, civil or administrative sanctions, including exclusions from government-funded healthcare programs.

Current and future healthcare reform legislation or regulation may increase the difficulty and cost for us to obtain coverage for and commercialize cretostimogene or any future product candidates and may adversely affect the prices we may set.

In the United States and some foreign jurisdictions, there have been, and we expect there will continue to be, a number of legislative and regulatory changes to the healthcare system, including cost-containment measures that may reduce or limit coverage and reimbursement for newly approved drugs and affect our ability to

profitably sell cretostimogene or any future product candidates for which we obtain regulatory approval. In particular, there have been and continue to be a number of initiatives at the U.S. federal and state levels that seek to reduce healthcare costs and improve the quality of healthcare.

For example, in March 2010, the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, as amended by the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010 (ACA) was enacted in the United States. The ACA established an annual, nondeductible fee on any entity that manufactures or imports specified branded prescription drugs and biologic agents; extended manufacturers' Medicaid rebate liability to covered drugs dispensed to individuals who are enrolled in Medicaid managed care organizations; expanded eligibility criteria for Medicaid programs; expanded the entities eligible for discounts under the 340B drug pricing program; increased the statutory minimum rebates a manufacturer must pay under the Medicaid Drug Rebate Program; established a new Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute to oversee, identify priorities in and conduct comparative clinical effectiveness research, along with funding for such research; and established a Center for Medicare & Medicaid Innovation at CMS to test innovative payment and service delivery models to lower Medicare and Medicaid spending.

Since its enactment, there have been executive, judicial and Congressional challenges to certain aspects of the ACA. On June 17, 2021, the U.S. Supreme Court dismissed the most recent judicial challenge to the ACA brought by several states without specifically ruling on the constitutionality of the ACA.

In addition, other legislative changes have been proposed and adopted since the ACA was enacted. For example, beginning April 1, 2013, Medicare payments to providers were reduced under the sequestration required by the Budget Control Act of 2011, which will remain in effect until 2032, unless additional Congressional action is taken. Additionally, on January 2, 2013, the American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012 was signed into law, which, among other things, further reduced Medicare payments to several providers, including hospitals, imaging centers and cancer treatment centers, and increased the statute of limitations period for the government to recover overpayments to providers from three to five years. On March 11, 2021, the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 was signed into law, which eliminates the statutory cap on the Medicaid drug rebate, beginning January 1, 2024. The rebate was previously capped at 100% of a drug's average manufacturer price. Further, there has been heightened governmental scrutiny in the United States of pharmaceutical pricing practices in light of the rising cost of prescription drugs. Such scrutiny has resulted in several recent congressional inquiries and proposed and enacted federal and state legislation designed to, among other things, bring more transparency to product pricing, review the relationship between pricing and manufacturer patient assistance programs, and reform government program reimbursement methodologies for products.

Most recently, on August 16, 2022, President Biden signed the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022 (IRA) into law. This statute marks the most significant action by Congress with respect to the pharmaceutical industry since adoption of the ACA in 2010. Among other things, the IRA (i) directs HHS to negotiate the price of certain high-expenditure, single-source drugs and biologics covered under Medicare and (ii) imposes rebates under Medicare Part B and Medicare Part D to penalize price increases that outpace inflation. The IRA permits the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to implement many of these provisions through guidance, as opposed to regulation, for the initial years. HHS has and will continue to issue and update guidance as these programs are implemented. On August 29, 2023, HHS announced the list of the first ten drugs that will be subject to price negotiations, although the Medicare drug price negotiation program is currently subject to legal challenges. The impact of the IRA on the pharmaceutical industry cannot yet be fully determined but is likely to be significant. Additional drug pricing proposals could appear in future legislation.

At the state level, legislatures have increasingly passed legislation and implemented regulations designed to control pharmaceutical and biological product pricing, including price or reimbursement constraints, discounts, restrictions on certain product access and marketing cost disclosure and transparency measures, and, in some cases, designed to encourage importation from other countries and bulk purchasing. Legally mandated price controls on payment amounts by third-party payors or other restrictions could harm our business, financial

condition, results of operations and prospects. In addition, regional healthcare authorities and individual hospitals are increasingly using bidding procedures to determine what pharmaceutical products and which suppliers will be included in their prescription drug and other healthcare programs. This could reduce the ultimate demand for cretostimogene and any future product candidates, if approved, or put pressure on our product pricing, which could negatively affect our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

We expect that these existing laws and other healthcare reform measures that may be adopted in the future may result in additional reductions in Medicare and other healthcare funding, more rigorous coverage criteria, new payment methodologies and additional downward pressure on the price that we receive for any approved product. Any reduction in reimbursement from Medicare or other government programs may result in a similar reduction in payments from private payors. The implementation of cost containment measures or other healthcare reforms may prevent us from being able to generate revenue, attain profitability or commercialize cretostimogene or any future product candidates, if approved.

If product liability lawsuits are brought against us, we may incur substantial liabilities and may be required to limit, delay or cease commercialization of our products.

We face an inherent risk of product liability as a result of the clinical trials of cretostimogene and any future product candidates and will face an even greater risk if we commercialize cretostimogene or any future product candidates, if approved. For example, we may be sued if cretostimogene or any future product candidates allegedly cause injury or are found to be otherwise unsuitable during product testing, manufacturing, marketing or sale. Any such product liability claims may include allegations of defects in manufacturing, defects in design, a failure to warn of dangers inherent in the product candidate, negligence, strict liability and a breach of warranties. Claims may be brought against us by clinical trial participants, patients or others using, administering or selling products that may be approved in the future. Claims could also be asserted under state consumer protection acts.

If we cannot successfully defend ourselves against product liability claims, we may incur substantial liabilities or be required to limit, delay or cease the commercialization of our products. Even a successful defense would require significant financial and management resources. Regardless of the merits or eventual outcome, liability claims may result in:

- decreased demand for our products;
- injury to our reputation and significant negative media attention;
- withdrawal of clinical trial participants;
- costs to defend the related litigation;
- a diversion of our management's time and our resources;
- substantial monetary awards to trial participants or product recipients;
- product recalls, withdrawals or labeling, marketing or promotional restrictions;
- significant negative financial impact;
- the inability to commercialize cretostimogene or any future product candidate; and
- a decline in our stock price.

We currently hold approximately \$10 million in product liability insurance coverage in the aggregate. We may need to increase our insurance coverage as we expand our clinical trials or if we commence commercialization of cretostimogene or any future product candidates. Insurance coverage is increasingly expensive. Our inability to obtain and retain sufficient product liability insurance at an acceptable cost to protect against potential product liability claims could prevent or inhibit the commercialization of cretostimogene or any

future product candidates. Although we will maintain such insurance, any claim that may be brought against us could result in a court judgment or settlement in an amount that is not covered, in whole or in part, by our insurance or that is in excess of the limits of our insurance coverage. Our insurance policies will also have various exclusions, and we may be subject to a product liability claim for which we have no coverage. We may have to pay any amounts awarded by a court or negotiated in a settlement that exceed our coverage limitations or that are not covered by our insurance, and we may not have, or be able to obtain, sufficient capital to pay such amounts.

Our insurance policies are expensive and protect us from only some business risks, which will leave us exposed to significant uninsured liabilities.

We do not carry insurance for all categories of risk that our business may encounter. Some of the policies we currently maintain include property, general liability, employee benefits liability, business automobile, workers' compensation, products/clinical trial liability, cyber liability, clinical trials, directors' and officers' and employment practices insurance. We do not know, however, if we will be able to maintain insurance with adequate levels of coverage. No assurance can be given that an insurance carrier will not seek to cancel or deny coverage after a claim has occurred. Any significant uninsured liability may require us to pay substantial amounts, which would adversely affect our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

We and any of our current or potential future collaborators will be required to report to regulatory authorities if any of our approved products cause or contribute to adverse medical events, and any failure to do so would result in sanctions that would materially harm our business.

If we or any of our current or potential future collaborators are successful in commercializing cretostimogene or any future product candidates, the FDA and foreign regulatory authorities would require that we and such collaborators report certain information about adverse medical events if those products may have caused or contributed to those adverse events. The timing of our obligation to report would be triggered by the date we or such collaborators become aware of the adverse event as well as the nature of the event. We and any of our current or potential future collaborators or CROs may fail to report adverse events within the prescribed timeframe. If we or any of our current or potential future collaborators or CROs fail to comply with such reporting obligations, the FDA or a foreign regulatory authority could take action, including criminal prosecution, the imposition of civil monetary penalties, seizure of our products or delay in approval or clearance of future products.

We and our service providers may be subject to a variety of data protection, privacy and security obligations, including laws, regulations, standards and contractual provisions, which could increase compliance costs, and our actual or perceived failure to comply with such laws and obligations could subject us to potentially significant liability, fines or penalties and otherwise harm our business.

We and our service providers maintain and will maintain a large quantity of sensitive information, including confidential business and patient health information, in connection with our clinical trials, and are subject to laws and regulations governing the privacy and security of such information. The global data protection landscape is rapidly evolving, and we and our service providers may be affected by or subject to existing, amended, or new laws and regulations in the future, including as our operations continue to expand or if we operate in foreign jurisdictions. These laws and regulations may be subject to differing interpretations, thus creating potentially complex compliance issues for us and our service providers, strategic partners and future customers. The cost of compliance with these laws, regulations and standards is high and is likely to increase in the future. Any failure or perceived failure by us to comply with federal, state or foreign laws or regulations, our internal policies and procedures or our contracts governing our processing of personal information could result in negative publicity, government investigations and enforcement actions, claims by third parties and damage to our reputation, any of which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

As our operations and business grow, we may become subject to or affected by new or additional data protection laws and regulations and face increased scrutiny or attention from regulatory authorities. In the United States, numerous federal and state laws and regulations, including health information privacy laws, data breach notification laws and consumer protection laws, that govern the collection, use, storage, transfer, disclosure, protection and other processing of health-related and other personal information could apply to our operations or the operations of our collaborators and third-party providers. In addition, we may obtain health information from third parties (including research institutions from which we obtain clinical trial data and CROs) that are subject to privacy and security requirements under HIPAA. Consequently, depending on the facts and circumstances, we could be subject to significant penalties if we knowingly receive individually identifiable health information from a HIPAA-covered healthcare provider, research institution, or CRO that has not satisfied HIPAA's requirements for disclosure of individually identifiable health information.

In addition, certain state laws govern the privacy and security of health-related and other personal information, many of which may differ from each other and from HIPAA, thus complicating compliance efforts. Failure to comply with these laws, where applicable, can result in the imposition of significant civil and/or criminal penalties and private litigation. By way of example, the California Consumer Privacy Act (CCPA), which went into effect on January 1, 2020, gives California residents a number of individual privacy rights related to how their personal information is used. The CCPA provides for civil penalties for violations, as well as a private right of action for data breaches that has increased the likelihood of, and risks associated with data breach litigation. Further, the California Privacy Rights Act (CPRA) generally went into effect on January 1, 2023. The CPRA imposes additional data protection obligations on covered businesses, including additional consumer rights processes, limitations on data uses, new audit requirements for higher risk data, and opt outs for certain uses of sensitive data. It also creates a new California data protection agency authorized to issue substantive regulations and could result in increased privacy and information security enforcement. Additional compliance investment and potential business process changes may be required. Similar laws have been passed in other states, and are continuing to be proposed at the state and federal level, reflecting a trend toward more stringent privacy legislation in the United States. In the event that we are subject to or affected by HIPAA, the CCPA, the CPRA or other domestic privacy and data protection laws, any liability from failure to comply with the requirements of these laws could adversely affect our financial condition.

Compliance with U.S. and international data protection laws and regulations could require us to take on more onerous obligations in our contracts, restrict our ability to collect, store, use, transfer, disclose and otherwise process data, update our data privacy and security policies and procedures, or in some cases, impact our ability to operate in certain jurisdictions. Failure by us or our collaborators and our service providers to comply with U.S. and international data protection laws and regulations could result in government enforcement actions (which could include civil or criminal penalties), private litigation and/or adverse publicity and could negatively affect our operating results and business. Moreover, clinical trial subjects about whom we or our potential collaborators obtain information, as well as the providers who share this information with us, may contractually limit our ability to use and disclose such information. Claims that we have violated individuals' privacy rights, failed to comply with data protection laws, or breached our contractual obligations, even if we are not found liable, could be expensive and time consuming to defend, could result in adverse publicity and adversely affect our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

Our information technology systems, or those of any of our service providers, may fail or suffer security incidents and other disruptions, which could result in a material disruption of our development programs, compromise sensitive information related to our business or prevent us from accessing critical information, potentially exposing us to liability or otherwise adversely affecting our business.

In the ordinary course of business, we collect, store and transmit confidential information (including but not limited to intellectual property, proprietary and confidential business information and personal information). Our information technology systems and those of our third-party service providers, strategic partners and other contractors or consultants are vulnerable to attack, damage and interruption from computer viruses and malware (e.g.

ransomware), malicious code, natural disasters, terrorism, war, telecommunication and electrical failures, hacking, cyberattacks, phishing attacks and other social engineering schemes, employee theft or misuse, human error, fraud, denial or degradation of service attacks, sophisticated nation-state and nation-state-supported actors or unauthorized access or use by persons inside our organization, or persons with access to systems inside our organization. In addition, attacks upon information technology systems are increasing in their frequency, levels of persistence, sophistication and intensity, and are being conducted by sophisticated and organized groups and individuals with a wide range of motives and expertise. Furthermore, because the techniques used to obtain unauthorized access to, or to sabotage, systems change frequently and often are not recognized until launched against a target, we may be unable to anticipate these techniques or implement adequate preventative measures. We may also experience security incidents that may remain undetected for an extended period. Even if identified, we may be unable to adequately investigate or remediate incidents or breaches due to attackers increasingly using tools and techniques that are designed to circumvent controls, to avoid detection, and to remove or obfuscate forensic evidence.

We and certain of our service providers are from time to time subject to cyberattacks and security incidents. While we do not believe that we have experienced any material system failure, accident or security breach to date, if any such event, whether actual or perceived, were to occur, it could impact our reputation and/or operations, cause us to incur significant costs, including legal expenses, harm customer confidence, hurt our expansion into new markets, cause us to incur remediation costs, or cause us to lose existing customers. For example, the loss of clinical trial data from clinical trials could result in delays in our regulatory approval efforts and significantly increase our costs to recover or reproduce the data. We also rely on a third party to manufacture cretostimogene, and similar events relating to their computer systems could also have a material adverse effect on our business. To the extent that any actual or perceived disruption or security incident affects our systems (or those of our third-party collaborators, service providers, contractors or consultants) or were to result in a loss of or accidental, unlawful or unauthorized access to, use of, release of, or other processing of personally identifiable information, or damage to, our confidential or proprietary data or applications, or inappropriate disclosure of confidential or proprietary information, we could incur liability, the further development and commercialization of cretostimogene or any future product candidates could be delayed, and we could be subject to significant fines, penalties or liabilities for any noncompliance to certain privacy and security laws.

We have also outsourced elements of our information technology infrastructure, and as a result a number of third-party vendors may or could have access to our confidential information. If our third-party vendors fail to protect their information technology systems and our confidential and proprietary information, we may be vulnerable to disruptions in service and unauthorized access to our confidential or proprietary information and we could incur liability and reputational damage. If the information technology systems of our third-party vendors and other contractors and consultants become subject to disruptions or security breaches, we may have insufficient recourse against such third parties and we may have to expend significant resources to mitigate the impact of such an event, and to develop and implement protections to prevent future events of this nature from occurring. Some of the federal, state and foreign government requirements include obligations of companies to notify individuals of security breaches involving particular categories of personally identifiable information, which could result from incidents experienced by us or by our vendors, contractors, or organizations with which we have formed strategic relationships. Our contracts may not contain limitations of liability, and even where they do, there can be no assurance that limitations of liability in our contracts are sufficient to protect us from liabilities, damages, or claims related to our data privacy and security obligations. Although we currently hold cybersecurity insurance, the costs related to significant security breaches or disruptions could be material and cause us to incur significant expenses.

Our business is subject to risks arising from pandemics and epidemic diseases.

The COVID-19 worldwide pandemic presented substantial public health and economic challenges and affected our employees, patients, physicians and other healthcare providers, communities and business operations, as well as the U.S. and global economies and financial markets. Any future pandemic or epidemic disease outbreaks could disrupt the supply chain and the manufacture or shipment of drug substances and finished drug products for cretostimogene or any future product candidates for use in our, our collaborators' or

any future collaborators' clinical trials and research and preclinical studies and, delay, limit or prevent our employees and CROs from continuing research and development activities, impede our clinical trial initiation and recruitment and the ability of patients to continue in clinical trials, alter the results of the clinical trial based on participants contracting the disease or otherwise increasing the number of observed adverse events, impede testing, monitoring, data collection and analysis and other related activities, any of which could delay our preclinical studies and clinical trials and increase our development costs, and have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects. Any future pandemic or epidemic disease outbreak could also potentially further affect the business of the FDA, EMA or other regulatory authorities, which could result in delays in meetings related to our planned clinical trials, as well have an adverse impact on global economic conditions which could have an adverse effect on our business and financial condition, including impairing our ability to raise capital when needed.

Our business could be affected by litigation, government investigations and enforcement actions.

We currently operate in a number of jurisdictions in a highly regulated industry and we could be subject to litigation, government investigation and enforcement actions on a variety of matters in the United States or foreign jurisdictions, including, without limitation, intellectual property, regulatory, product liability, environmental, whistleblower, false claims, privacy, anti-kickback, anti-bribery, securities, commercial, employment and other claims and legal proceedings that may arise from conducting our business. Any determination that our operations or activities are not in compliance with existing laws or regulations could result in the imposition of fines, civil and criminal penalties, equitable remedies, including disgorgement, injunctive relief and/or other sanctions against us, and remediation of any such findings could have an adverse effect on our business operations.

Legal proceedings, government investigations and enforcement actions can be expensive and time-consuming. An adverse outcome resulting from any such proceedings, investigations or enforcement actions could result in significant damages awards, fines, penalties, exclusion from the federal healthcare programs, healthcare debarment, injunctive relief, product recalls, reputational damage and modifications of our business practices, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects. Even if such a proceeding, investigation or enforcement action is ultimately decided in our favor, the investigation and defense thereof could require substantial financial and management resources.

Our employees and independent contractors, including collaborators, principal investigators, CROs, consultants and vendors, may engage in misconduct or other improper activities, including noncompliance with regulatory standards and requirements.

We are exposed to the risk that our employees and independent contractors, including collaborators, principal investigators, CROs, consultants, and vendors may engage in misconduct or other illegal activity. Misconduct by these parties could include intentional, reckless and/or negligent conduct or disclosure of unauthorized activities to us that violate: (i) the laws and regulations of the FDA and other similar regulatory requirements, including those laws that require the reporting of true, complete and accurate information to such authorities, (ii) manufacturing standards, including cGMP requirements, (iii) federal and state data privacy, security, fraud and abuse and other healthcare laws and regulations in the United States and abroad (iv) laws that require the true, complete and accurate reporting of financial information or data, or (v) laws that prohibit insider trading. Activities subject to these laws also involve the improper use or misrepresentation of information obtained in the course of clinical trials, the creation of fraudulent data in our or our collaborators' preclinical studies or clinical trials, or illegal misappropriation of drug product, which could result in regulatory sanctions and cause serious harm to our reputation. It is not always possible to identify and deter misconduct by employees and other third parties, and the precautions we take to detect and prevent this activity may not be effective in controlling unknown or unmanaged risks or losses or in protecting us from governmental investigations or other actions or lawsuits stemming from a failure to be in compliance with such laws or regulations. In addition, we are subject to the risk that a person or government could allege such fraud or other misconduct, even if none occurred. If any such actions are instituted against us, and we are not successful in defending ourselves or

asserting our rights, those actions could have a significant impact on our business and financial results, including, without limitation, the imposition of significant civil, criminal and administrative penalties, damages, monetary fines, disgorgements, possible exclusion from participation in Medicare, Medicaid and other federal healthcare programs, imprisonment, contractual damages, reputational harm, diminished profits and future earnings, additional reporting requirements and oversight if we become subject to a corporate integrity agreement or similar agreement to resolve allegations of non-compliance with these laws and curtailment of our operations, any of which could adversely affect our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

We may engage in strategic transactions that could impact our liquidity, increase our expenses, and present significant distractions to our management.

From time to time, we may consider strategic transactions, such as acquisitions of companies, asset purchases, and out-licensing or in-licensing of intellectual property, products or technologies. Additional potential transactions that we may consider in the future include a variety of business arrangements, including spin-offs, strategic partnerships and collaborations, joint ventures, restructurings, divestitures, business combinations, and investments. We may not be able to find suitable partners or acquisition candidates, and we may not be able to complete such transactions on favorable terms, if at all. Any future transactions could increase our near and long-term expenditures, result in potentially dilutive issuances of our equity securities, including our common stock, or the incurrence of debt, contingent liabilities, amortization expenses or acquired in-process research and development expenses, any of which could affect our financial condition, liquidity and results of operations. Future acquisitions may also require us to obtain additional financing, which may not be available on favorable terms or at all. These transactions may never be successful and may require significant time and attention of our management. In addition, the integration of any business that we may acquire in the future may disrupt our existing business and may be a complex, risky and costly endeavor for which we may never realize the full benefits. Furthermore, we may experience losses related to investments in other companies, including as a result of failure to realize expected benefits or the materialization of unexpected liabilities or risks, which could have a material negative effect on our results of operations and financial condition. Accordingly, although there can be no assurance that we will undertake or successfully complete any additional transactions of the nature described above, any additional transactions that we do complete could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

Our ability to use net operating loss carryforwards and other tax attributes may be limited in connection with this offering or other ownership changes.

We have incurred substantial losses during our history, do not expect to become profitable in the near future and may never achieve profitability. As of December 31, 2022, we had net operating loss (NOL) carryforwards, which may be available to offset our future taxable income, if any. Our NOL carryforwards and other tax attributes are subject to expiration, review and possible adjustment by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and state tax authorities.

In addition, under Section 382 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code), our federal NOL carryforwards may be or become subject to an annual limitation in the event we have had or have in the future an “ownership change.” For these purposes, an “ownership change” generally occurs if one or more stockholders or groups of stockholders who own at least 5% of a company’s stock increase their ownership by more than 50 percentage points over their lowest ownership percentage within a rolling three-year period. Similar rules may apply under state tax laws. Although we believe there have been one or more ownership changes resulting from past transactions, we have not determined the amount of the cumulative change in our ownership resulting from this offering or other transactions, or any resulting limitations on our ability to utilize our NOL carryforwards and other tax attributes. However, we believe that our ability to utilize our NOL carryforwards and other tax attributes to offset future taxable income or tax liabilities may be limited as a result of ownership changes, including potential changes in connection with this offering. If we earn taxable income, such limitations could result in increased future income tax liability to us and our future cash flows could be adversely affected.

We have recorded a full valuation allowance related to our NOL carryforwards and other deferred tax assets due to the uncertainty of the ultimate realization of the future benefits of those assets.

Risks Related to Our Intellectual Property

If we are unable to obtain, maintain, defend and enforce patent or other intellectual property protection for cretostimogene or any future product candidates or technology, or if the scope of the patent or other intellectual property protection obtained is not sufficiently broad, our competitors or other third parties could develop and commercialize products similar or identical to ours, and our ability to successfully commercialize cretostimogene or any future product candidates may be adversely affected.

We rely, and may in the future rely, upon a combination of patent, trade secret and trademark protection for cretostimogene and any future product candidates and proprietary technologies to prevent third parties from exploiting our achievements, thus eroding our competitive position in our market. These legal measures afford only limited protection, and competitors or others may gain access to or use our intellectual property and proprietary information. Our success depends in large part on our ability to obtain, maintain, expand, enforce, and defend the scope, ownership or control, validity and enforceability of our intellectual property protection in the United States and other countries with respect to cretostimogene and any future product candidates and other proprietary technologies we may develop. We generally seek, and may in the future seek, to protect our proprietary position, in part, by filing patent applications in the United States and abroad relating to cretostimogene and any future product candidates and technology, manufacturing processes and methods of use. We may also seek to protect our proprietary position by acquiring or in-licensing relevant issued patents or pending patent applications from third parties. Currently we do not have composition of matter patents covering cretostimogene. We will endeavor to seek additional patent protection to cover features of the oncolytic virus and formulations in the future. If we are unable to obtain, maintain, expand, enforce and defend the scope, ownership or control, validity and enforceability of our intellectual property protection, our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects could be materially harmed.

Changes in either the patent laws or their interpretation in the United States and other jurisdictions may diminish our ability to protect our intellectual property, obtain, maintain, expand, enforce and defend our intellectual property rights and, more generally, could affect the value of our intellectual property or narrow the scope of our protection. We cannot predict whether the patent applications we currently or may in the future pursue or may in-license will issue as patents in any particular jurisdiction, whether the claims of any issued patents will provide sufficient protection against competitors or other third parties, or if these patents are challenged by our competitors, whether the patents will be found to be invalid, unenforceable, or not infringed or not owned or controlled by us. The patent prosecution process is expensive, time-consuming, and complex, and we may not be able to file, prosecute, maintain, enforce, defend or license all necessary or desirable patent applications or patents at a reasonable cost or in a timely manner or in all jurisdictions. It is also possible that we will fail to identify patentable aspects of our research and development output in time to obtain patent protection. Although we enter into non-disclosure and confidentiality agreements with parties who have access to confidential or patentable aspects of our research and development output, such as our employees, licensees, third-party collaborators, CROs, contract manufacturers, consultants, advisors and other third parties, any of these parties may breach the agreements and disclose such output before a patent application is filed, thereby jeopardizing our ability to seek patent protection. Consequently, we may not be able to prevent any third party from using any of our technology that is in the public domain to compete with cretostimogene or any future product candidates or technologies. In addition, our ability to obtain and maintain valid and enforceable patents depends on whether the differences between our inventions and the prior art allow our inventions to be patentable in light of the prior art. Furthermore, publications of discoveries in the scientific literature often lag behind the actual discoveries, and patent applications in the United States and other jurisdictions are typically not published until 18 months after filing, or in some cases not at all. Therefore, we cannot be certain that we or the entity from which we purchased the intellectual property rights to cretostimogene were the first to invent the inventions claimed in any of our owned patents or pending patent applications, or that we or any future licensors were the first to file for patent protection of such other inventions. If a third party can establish that we were not the first to make or the first to file for patent

protection of such other inventions, our patents and patent applications may not issue as patents and even if issued, may be challenged and invalidated or rendered unenforceable.

The patent position of biopharmaceutical companies generally is highly uncertain, involves complex legal and factual questions, and has been the subject of much litigation in recent years. As a result, the issuance, scope, validity, enforceability, and commercial value of our patent rights are highly uncertain. Our current and future patent applications may not result in patents being issued.

Any issued patents may not afford sufficient protection of cretostimogene or any future product candidates or their intended uses against competitors, nor can there be any assurance that the issued patents will not be infringed, designed around, invalidated by third parties, or effectively prevent others from commercializing competitive technologies, products or cretostimogene or any future product candidates. Further, even if these patents are granted, they may be difficult to enforce. Obtaining and maintaining our patent protection depends on compliance with various procedural, document submission, information disclosure, fee payment and other requirements imposed by governmental patent agencies, and our patent protection could be reduced or eliminated if we fail to comply with these requirements. In the event we experience noncompliance events that cannot be corrected and we lose our patent rights, competitors could enter the market, which would have a material adverse effect on our business. Further, any issued patents that we own or may license in the future covering cretostimogene or any future product candidates could be narrowed or found invalid or unenforceable if challenged in court or before administrative bodies in the United States or other countries, including the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO). Grounds for a validity challenge could be an alleged failure to meet any of several statutory requirements, including lack of novelty, obviousness, written description or non-enablement. In addition, patent validity challenges may, under certain circumstances, be based upon non-statutory obviousness-type double patenting, which, if successful, could result in a finding that the claims are invalid for obviousness-type double patenting or the loss of patent term, including a patent term adjustment granted by the USPTO. Grounds for an unenforceability assertion could be an allegation that someone connected with prosecution of the patent withheld information material to patentability from the USPTO, or made a misleading statement, during prosecution. Also, patent terms, including any extensions or adjustments that may or may not be available to us, may be inadequate to protect our competitive position on cretostimogene or any future product candidates for an adequate amount of time, and we may be subject to claims challenging the inventorship, ownership, validity, enforceability of our patents and/or other intellectual property. Changes in U.S. patent law, or laws in other countries, could diminish the value of patents in general, thereby impairing our ability to protect cretostimogene or any future product candidates. Further, if we encounter delays in our development and testing of cretostimogene or any future product candidates, clinical trials or regulatory review and approval of cretostimogene or any future product candidates, the period of time during which we could market cretostimogene or any future product candidates under patent protection may be reduced (i.e., patents protecting such product candidates might expire before or shortly after such product candidates are commercialized). Thus, our patents may not provide us with sufficient rights to exclude others from commercializing products similar or identical to ours or afford us any meaningful competitive advantage.

Moreover, the claim coverage in a patent application can be significantly reduced before the corresponding patent is granted. Even if patent applications issue as patents, they may not issue in a form that will provide us with any meaningful protection, prevent competitors or other third parties from competing with us or otherwise provide us with any competitive advantage. Any patents issuing from our owned and any future in-licensed patent applications may be challenged, narrowed, circumvented or invalidated by third parties. Consequently, we do not know whether cretostimogene or any future product candidates and other proprietary technology will be protectable or remain protected by valid and enforceable patents. Even if a patent is granted, our competitors or other third parties may be able to circumvent the patent by developing similar or alternative technologies or products in a non-infringing manner which could materially adversely affect our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects. Furthermore, our competitors or other third parties may avail themselves of safe harbors under the Drug Price Competition and Patent Term Restoration Act of 1984 (the Hatch-Waxman Amendments) to conduct research and clinical trials.

The issuance of a patent is not conclusive as to its inventorship, ownership, scope, validity, or enforceability and our patent rights may be challenged in the courts or patent offices in the United States and abroad. We may be subject to a post-grant proceeding at the USPTO challenging the validity of one or more claims of our patents or patents we may license in the future. Third-party submissions may also be made prior to a patent's issuance, precluding the granting of a patent based on our pending patent application or patent application we may license in the future. A third party may also claim that our patent rights are invalid or unenforceable in a litigation. The outcome following legal assertions of invalidity and unenforceability is unpredictable. In addition, we may become involved in opposition, derivation, revocation, reexamination, reissue, interference proceedings or other similar proceedings in the United States and/or foreign jurisdictions challenging our patent rights. An adverse determination in any such submission, proceeding or litigation could reduce the scope of, or invalidate or render unenforceable, our patent rights, and may allow third parties, including generic drug companies, to commercialize cretostimogene or any future product candidates and other proprietary technologies we may develop and compete directly with us.

Moreover, some of our patent rights may in the future be co-owned with third parties. In the United States, each co-owner has the freedom to license and exploit the technology. If we are unable to obtain an exclusive license to any such third-party co-owners' interest in such patent rights, such co-owners may be able to license their rights to other third parties, including our competitors, and our competitors could market competing products and technology. In addition, we may need the cooperation of any such co-owners of such patent rights in order to enforce such patent rights against third parties, and such cooperation may not be provided to us. Any of the foregoing could have a material adverse effect on our competitive position, business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

We may not be able to protect our intellectual property and proprietary rights throughout the world.

Filing, prosecuting, maintaining, enforcing and defending patents on cretostimogene or any future product candidates in all countries throughout the world is expensive, and the laws of foreign countries may not protect our intellectual property rights to the same extent as the laws of the United States. Prosecution of foreign patent applications is often a longer process and patents may grant at a later date, and with a shorter term, than in the United States. The requirements for patentability differ in certain jurisdictions and countries. Additionally, the patent laws of some countries do not afford intellectual property protection to the same extent as the laws of the United States. For example, other countries may impose substantial restrictions on the scope of claims, including limiting patent protection to specifically disclosed embodiments. Consequently, we may not be able to prevent third parties from practicing our inventions in all countries outside the United States, or from selling or importing products made using our intellectual property in and into the United States or other jurisdictions. Competitors may use our intellectual property in jurisdictions where we have not pursued and obtained patent protection to develop their own products and, further, may export otherwise infringing products to territories where we have patent protection, but enforcement is not as strong as that in the United States. These products may compete with our products, and our patents or patents we may license in the future or other intellectual property rights may not be effective or sufficient to prevent them from competing. Many companies have encountered significant problems in protecting and defending intellectual property rights in foreign jurisdictions. The legal systems of certain countries, particularly certain developing countries, do not favor the enforcement of patents, trade secrets and other intellectual property protection, particularly those relating to biopharmaceutical products, which could make it difficult for us to stop the infringement of our patents or marketing of competing products in violation of our intellectual property and proprietary rights generally. In addition, some jurisdictions, such as Europe, Japan and China, may have a heightened standard for patentability than in the United States, including, for example, the requirement of claims having literal support in the original patent filing and the limitation on using supporting data that is not in the original patent filing. Under those heightened patentability requirements, we may not be able to obtain sufficient patent protection in certain jurisdictions even though the same or similar patent protection can be secured in the United States and other jurisdictions.

Proceedings to enforce our intellectual property and proprietary rights in the United States or other jurisdictions could result in substantial costs and divert our efforts and attention from other aspects of our business, could put our patents and any patents we may license in the future at risk of being invalidated or interpreted narrowly, could put our patent applications and any patent applications we may license in the future at risk of not issuing, and could provoke third parties to assert claims against us. We may not prevail in any lawsuits that we initiate, and the damages or other remedies awarded, if any, may not be commercially meaningful. Accordingly, our efforts to enforce our intellectual property and proprietary rights around the world may be inadequate to obtain a significant commercial advantage from the intellectual property that we develop.

Many countries have compulsory licensing laws under which a patent owner may be compelled to grant licenses to third parties, including governmental agencies. In addition, many countries limit the enforceability of patents against government agencies or government contractors. In these countries, the patent owner may have limited remedies, which could materially diminish the value of such patent. If we are forced to grant a license to third parties with respect to any patents relevant to our business, our competitive position may be impaired, and our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects may be adversely affected. In addition, geo-political actions in the United States and in foreign countries (such as the Russia and Ukraine conflict) could increase the uncertainties and costs surrounding the prosecution or maintenance of our patent applications or those of any future licensors and the maintenance, enforcement or defense of our issued patents which could impair our competitive intellectual property position.

Obtaining and maintaining our patent protection depends on compliance with various procedural, document submission, fee payment, and other requirements imposed by government patent agencies, and our patent protection could be reduced or eliminated for non-compliance with these requirements.

The USPTO and various non-U.S. government agencies require compliance with several procedural, documentary, fee payment and other similar provisions during the patent application process. In some circumstances, we may be dependent on any future licensors to take the necessary action to comply with these requirements with respect to any licensed intellectual property. For example, periodic maintenance fees, renewal fees, annuity fees, and various other government fees on patents and applications will be due to be paid to the USPTO and various government patent agencies outside of the United States over the lifetime of our patents and applications. In certain circumstances, we may rely on licensing partners to pay these fees due to the U.S. and non-U.S. patent agencies. In some cases, an inadvertent lapse can be cured by payment of a late fee or by other means in accordance with the applicable rules. There are situations, however, in which non-compliance can result in abandonment or lapse of the patent or patent application, resulting in a partial or complete loss of patent rights in the relevant jurisdiction. In such an event, potential competitors might be able to enter the market with similar or identical products or technology, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

The USPTO and various non-U.S. government agencies require compliance with certain foreign filing requirements during the patent application process. For example, in some countries, including the United States, China, India and some European countries, a foreign filing license is required before certain patent applications are filed. The foreign filing license requirements vary by country and depend on various factors, including where the inventive activity occurred, citizenship status of the inventors, the residency of the inventors and the invention owner, the place of business for the invention owner and the nature of the subject matter to be disclosed (e.g., items related to national security or national defense). In some, but not all cases, for example in China and India, a foreign filing license cannot be obtained retroactively in accordance with the applicable rules. There are situations, however, in which non-compliance can result in abandonment of a pending patent application or can be grounds for revoking or invalidating an issued patent, resulting in the loss of patent rights in the relevant jurisdiction. In such an event, potential competitors might be able to enter the relevant markets with similar or identical products or technology, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects. We would also be dependent on any future licensors to take the necessary actions to comply with these requirements with respect to any intellectual property we may license in the future.

Public health pandemics (such as the COVID-19 pandemic), geopolitical instability (war and terrorism), natural disasters, or similar events may impair our and our licensors' ability to comply with these procedural, document submission, fee payment, and other requirements imposed by government patent agencies, which may materially and adversely affect our ability to obtain or maintain patent protection for cretostimogene and any future product candidates.

Changes in patent laws or their interpretations could diminish the value of patents in general, thereby impairing our ability to protect our products.

Changes in either the patent laws or interpretation of the patent laws in the United States or in other countries could increase the uncertainties and costs surrounding the prosecution of patent applications and the enforcement or defense of issued patents. Assuming that other requirements for patentability are met, prior to March 2013, in the United States, the first to invent the claimed invention was entitled to the patent, while outside the United States, the first to file a patent application was entitled to the patent. After March 2013, under the Leahy-Smith America Invents Act (the America Invents Act) enacted in September 2011, the United States transitioned to a first inventor to file system in which, assuming that other requirements for patentability are met, the first inventor to file a patent application will be entitled to the patent on an invention regardless of whether a third party was the first to invent the claimed invention. A third party that files a patent application in the USPTO after March 2013, but before us or our licensors could therefore be awarded a patent covering an invention of ours or our licensors even if we or our licensors had made the invention before it was made by such third party. This requires us to be cognizant of the time from invention to filing of a patent application. Since patent applications in the United States and most other countries are confidential for a period of time after filing or until issuance, we cannot be certain that we or our licensors are the first to either (i) file any patent application related to cretostimogene or any future product candidates and other proprietary technologies we may develop or (ii) invent any of the inventions claimed in our patents or patent applications.

The America Invents Act also included a number of significant changes that affect the way patent applications are prosecuted and also affect patent litigation. These include allowing third party protests and submission of prior art to the USPTO during patent prosecution and additional procedures to attack the validity of a patent by USPTO-administered post-grant proceedings, including post-grant review, inter partes review and derivation proceedings. Because of a lower evidentiary standard in USPTO proceedings compared to the evidentiary standard in U.S. federal courts necessary to invalidate a patent claim, a third party could potentially provide evidence in a USPTO proceeding sufficient for the USPTO to hold a claim invalid even though the same evidence would be insufficient to invalidate the claim if first presented in a district court action. Accordingly, a third party may attempt to use the USPTO procedures to invalidate our patent claims or any patent claims we may license in the future that would not have been invalidated if first challenged by the third party as a defendant in a district court action.

In addition, the patent positions of companies in the development and commercialization of pharmaceuticals are particularly uncertain. Recent U.S. Supreme Court rulings have narrowed the scope of patent protection available in certain circumstances and weakened the rights of patent owners in certain situations. We cannot predict how decisions by the courts, the U.S. Congress or the USPTO may impact the value of our patent rights. For example, the U.S. Supreme Court held in *Amgen v. Sanofi* (2023) that a functionally claimed genus was invalid for failing to comply with the enablement requirement of the Patent Act. As such, our patent rights with functional claims may be vulnerable to third party challenges seeking to invalidate these claims for lacking enablement or adequate support in the specification. Depending on future actions by the U.S. Congress, the federal courts and the USPTO, the laws and regulations governing patents could change in unpredictable ways that could have a material adverse effect on our existing patent portfolio and our ability to protect and enforce our intellectual property in the future. Similarly, changes in patent law and regulations in other countries or jurisdictions or changes in the governmental bodies that enforce them or changes in how the relevant governmental authority enforces patent laws or regulations may weaken our ability to obtain new patents or to enforce patents that we have or may obtain or license in the future.

In 2012, the European Union Patent Package (EU Patent Package) regulations were passed with the goal of providing a single pan-European Unitary Patent and a new European Unified Patent Court (UPC) for litigation involving European patents. The EU Patent Package was implemented on June 1, 2023. As a result, all European patents, including those issued prior to ratification of the EU Patent Package, now by default automatically fall under the jurisdiction of the UPC, unless otherwise opted out. It is uncertain how the UPC will impact granted European patents in the biotechnology and pharmaceutical industries. Our European patent applications, if issued, could be challenged in the UPC. During the first seven years of the UPC's existence, the UPC legislation allows a patent owner to opt its European patents out of the jurisdiction of the UPC. We may decide to opt out our future European patents from the UPC, but doing so may preclude us from realizing the benefits of the UPC. Moreover, if we do not meet all of the formalities and requirements for opt-out under the UPC, our future European patents could remain under the jurisdiction of the UPC. The UPC will provide our competitors with a new forum to centrally revoke our European patents, and allow for the possibility of a competitor to obtain pan-European injunction. Such a loss of patent protection could have a material adverse impact on our business and our ability to commercialize our technology and cretostimogene and any future product candidates due to increased competition and, resultantly, on our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects. The UPC and Unitary Patent are significant changes in European patent practice. As the UPC is a new court system, there is no precedent for the court, increasing the uncertainty of any litigation in the UPC.

Issued patents covering cretostimogene or any future product candidates could be found invalid or unenforceable if challenged in court or before administrative bodies in the United States or abroad.

Our patent rights may be subject to priority, validity, inventorship, ownership and enforceability disputes. Legal proceedings relating to intellectual property claims, with or without merit, are unpredictable and generally expensive and time-consuming and likely to divert significant resources from our core business, including distracting our management and scientific personnel from their normal responsibilities and generally harm our business. If we or any future licensors are unsuccessful in any of these proceedings, such patents and patent applications may be narrowed, invalidated or held unenforceable. Any of the foregoing could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

If we initiate legal proceedings against a third party to enforce a patent covering cretostimogene or any future product candidates, the defendant could counterclaim that such patent is invalid or unenforceable. In patent litigation in the United States, defendant counterclaims alleging invalidity or unenforceability are commonplace. Grounds for a validity challenge could include an alleged failure to meet any of several statutory requirements, including lack of novelty, obviousness, non-enablement, lack of sufficient written description, failure to claim patent-eligible subject matter or obviousness-type double patenting. Grounds for an unenforceability assertion could be an allegation that someone connected with prosecution of the patent withheld relevant information from the USPTO, or made a misleading or inconsistent statement, during prosecution. Third parties may raise claims challenging the validity or enforceability of a patent before administrative bodies in the United States or abroad, even outside the context of litigation. Such mechanisms include re-examination, post-grant review, inter partes review, interference proceedings, derivation proceedings, and equivalent proceedings in foreign jurisdictions (e.g., opposition proceedings). Such proceedings could result in the revocation of, cancellation of, shortening the term of or amendment to our patent rights or any patent rights we may obtain or license in the future in such a way that they no longer cover cretostimogene or any future product candidates or prevent third parties from competing with our product candidates. The outcome following legal assertions of invalidity and unenforceability is unpredictable. With respect to the validity question, for example, we cannot be certain that there is no invalidating prior art, of which we and the patent examiner were unaware during prosecution. If a third party were to prevail on a legal assertion of invalidity or unenforceability, we would lose at least part, and perhaps all, of the patent protection for cretostimogene or any future product candidates. Such a loss of patent protection would have a material adverse impact on our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

Patent terms may be inadequate to protect the competitive position of cretostimogene or any future product candidates for an adequate amount of time.

Patents have a limited lifespan. In the United States, if all maintenance fees are timely paid, the natural expiration of a patent is generally 20 years from its earliest U.S. non-provisional or international patent application filing date. Various extensions may be available, but the life of a patent, and the protection it affords, is limited. Even if patents covering cretostimogene or any future product candidates are obtained, once the patent has expired, we may be vulnerable to competition from competitive products, including generics. Given the amount of time required for the development, testing and regulatory review of cretostimogene or any future product candidates, patents protecting such product candidates might expire before or shortly after such product candidates are commercialized. As a result, our intellectual property may not provide us with sufficient rights to exclude others from commercializing products similar or identical to ours. If we do not have sufficient patent life to protect our products, our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects will be adversely affected.

If we do not obtain patent term extension and equivalent extensions outside of the United States for cretostimogene or any future product candidates, our business may be materially harmed.

Depending upon the timing, duration and specifics of any FDA regulatory approval of cretostimogene or any future product candidates, one or more of our U.S. patents may be eligible for limited patent term extension under the Hatch-Waxman Amendments. The Hatch-Waxman Amendments permit a patent term extension of up to five years as compensation for patent term lost during the FDA regulatory review process. A patent term extension cannot extend the remaining term of a patent beyond a total of 14 years from the date of product approval, only one patent may be extended, and only those claims covering the approved drug, a method for using it or a method for manufacturing it may be extended. Similar patent term restoration provisions to compensate for commercialization delay caused by regulatory review are also available in certain foreign jurisdictions, such as in Europe under Supplemental Protection Certificate. However, we may not be granted an extension for various reasons, including failing to exercise due diligence during the testing phase or regulatory review process, failing to apply within applicable deadlines, failing to apply prior to expiration of relevant patents, or failing to satisfy other applicable requirements. Moreover, the applicable time period afforded could be less than we request. In addition, to the extent we wish to pursue patent term extension based on a patent that we may license from a third party in the future, we may need the cooperation of that third party. If we are unable to obtain patent term extension, or the foreign equivalent, or if the term of any such extension is less than we request, our competitors may obtain approval of competing products following our patent expiration, and our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects could be materially harmed.

We may be subject to claims challenging the inventorship or ownership of our patents and other intellectual property.

We may be subject to claims that former employees, consultants, licensees, collaborators or other third parties have an interest in our patent rights, trade secrets, or other intellectual property as an inventor, co-inventor or owner of trade secrets. For example, we may have inventorship or ownership disputes arise from conflicting obligations of consultants or others who are involved in developing cretostimogene or any future product candidates and other proprietary technologies we may develop. Litigation may be necessary to defend against these and other claims challenging inventorship or ownership or our patent rights, trade secrets or other intellectual property. If we fail in defending any such claims, in addition to paying monetary damages, we may lose valuable intellectual property rights, such as ownership of, or the right to use intellectual property that is important to cretostimogene or any future product candidates and other proprietary technologies we may develop. Even if we are successful in defending against such claims, litigation could result in substantial costs and be a distraction to our management and other employees. Any of the foregoing could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

If we are unable to protect the confidentiality of our trade secrets, our business and competitive position would be harmed.

In addition to seeking patent protection for cretostimogene or any future product candidates and proprietary technologies, we may rely on trade secret protection and confidentiality agreements to protect our unpatented know-how, technology, and other proprietary information and to maintain our competitive position. We seek to protect these trade secrets and other proprietary technology, in part, by entering into non-disclosure and confidentiality agreements with parties who have access to them, such as our employees, licensees, third-party collaborators, CROs, contract manufacturers, consultants, advisors and other third parties. We also enter into confidentiality and invention or patent assignment agreements with our employees and consultants. Trade secrets and know-how can be difficult to protect. We cannot guarantee that we have entered into applicable agreements with each party that may have or have had access to our trade secrets or proprietary technology and processes. Despite these efforts, any of these parties may breach the agreements and disclose our proprietary information, including our trade secrets, and we may not be able to obtain adequate remedies for such breaches. Monitoring unauthorized uses and disclosures is difficult, and we do not know whether the steps we have taken to protect our proprietary technologies will be effective. We cannot guarantee that any potential trade secrets and other proprietary and confidential information will not be disclosed or that competitors will not otherwise gain access to trade secrets. Enforcing a claim that a party illegally disclosed or misappropriated a trade secret is difficult, expensive and time-consuming, and the outcome is unpredictable. In addition, some courts inside and outside the United States are less willing or unwilling to protect trade secrets. If any of our trade secrets were to be lawfully obtained or independently developed by a competitor or other third party, we would have no right to prevent them from using that technology or information to compete with us. Furthermore, others may independently discover similar trade secrets and proprietary information. If any of our trade secrets were to be disclosed or misappropriated or if any such information were to be independently developed by a competitor or other third party, our competitive position would be materially and adversely harmed.

We may be subject to claims that third parties have an ownership interest in our trade secrets. For example, we may have disputes arise from conflicting obligations of our employees, consultants or others who are involved in developing cretostimogene or any future product candidates. Litigation may be necessary to defend against these and other claims challenging ownership of our trade secrets. If we fail in defending any such claims, in addition to paying monetary damages, we may lose valuable trade secret rights, such as exclusive ownership of, or right to use, trade secrets that are important to cretostimogene or any future product candidates and other proprietary technologies we may develop. Such an outcome could have a material adverse effect on our business. Even if we are successful in defending against such claims, litigation could result in substantial costs and be a distraction to our management and other employees. Any of the foregoing could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

We may be subject to claims that our employees, consultants, or advisors have wrongfully used or disclosed alleged trade secrets of their current or former employers or claims asserting ownership of what we regard as our own intellectual property.

Some of our employees, consultants and advisors are currently or were previously employed at universities or other biotechnology or pharmaceutical companies, including our competitors or potential competitors. Although we try to ensure that our employees, consultants and advisors do not use the proprietary information or know-how of others in their work for us, we may be subject to claims that we or these individuals have used or disclosed intellectual property, including trade secrets or other proprietary information, of any such individual's current or former employer. Litigation may be necessary to defend against these claims. If we fail in defending any such claims, in addition to paying monetary damages, we may lose valuable intellectual property rights or personnel. Even if we are successful in defending against such claims, litigation could result in substantial costs and be a distraction to our management.

In addition, while it is our policy to require our employees and contractors who may be involved in the conception or development of intellectual property to execute agreements assigning such intellectual property to

us, we may be unsuccessful in executing such an agreement with each party who, in fact, conceives or develops intellectual property that we regard as our own. The assignment of intellectual property rights may not be self-executing, or the assignment agreements may be breached, and we may be forced to bring claims against third parties, or defend claims that they may bring against us, to determine the ownership of what we regard as our intellectual property. Such claims could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

We may not identify relevant third-party patents or may incorrectly interpret the relevance, scope or expiration of a third-party patent, which might adversely affect our ability to develop and market cretostimogene or any future product candidates.

We cannot guarantee that any of our patent searches or analyses, including the identification of relevant patents, the scope of patent claims or the expiration of relevant patents, are or will be complete or thorough, nor can we be certain that we have identified or will identify each and every third-party patent and pending patent application in the United States and abroad that is relevant to or necessary for the commercialization of cretostimogene or any future product candidates in any jurisdiction. Patent applications in the United States and elsewhere are not published until approximately 18 months after the earliest filing for which priority is claimed, with such earliest filing date being commonly referred to as the priority date. Therefore, patent applications covering cretostimogene or any future product candidates could have been filed by others without our knowledge. The scope of a patent claim is determined by the interpretation of the law, the words of a patent claim, the written disclosure in a patent and the patent's prosecution history. Our interpretation of the relevance or the scope of a patent or a pending patent application may be incorrect, which may negatively impact our ability to market our products. We may incorrectly determine that cretostimogene or any future product candidates are not covered by a third-party patent or may incorrectly predict whether a third party's pending patent application will issue with claims of relevant scope. Alternatively, we may incorrectly determine that the Hatch-Waxman Amendments are a defense for a safe harbor to infringement of a patent we consider relevant to the research or clinical development of cretostimogene or any future product candidate. Our determination of the expiration date of any patent in the United States or abroad that we consider relevant may be incorrect, and we may incorrectly conclude that a third-party patent is invalid and unenforceable or not infringed. Our failure to identify and correctly interpret relevant patents may negatively impact our ability to develop and market cretostimogene or any future product candidates. If we fail to identify and correctly interpret relevant patents, we may be subject to infringement claims. Also, because the claims of published patent applications can change between publication and patent grant, there may be published patent applications that may ultimately issue with claims that we infringe. As the number of competitors in the market grows and the number of patents issued in this area increases, the possibility of patent infringement claims escalates. Moreover, in recent years, individuals and groups that are non-practicing entities, commonly referred to as "patent trolls," have purchased patents and other intellectual property assets for the purpose of making claims of infringement in order to extract settlements. From time to time, we may receive threatening letters, notices or "invitations to license," or may be the subject of claims that our products and business operations infringe or violate the intellectual property rights of others. We cannot guarantee that we will be able to successfully settle or otherwise resolve such infringement claims. If we fail in any such dispute, in addition to being forced to pay damages, we may be temporarily or permanently prohibited from commercializing cretostimogene or any future product candidates that are held to be infringing. We might, if possible, also be forced to redesign cretostimogene or any future product candidates or services so that we no longer infringe the third-party intellectual property rights. Any of these events, even if we were ultimately to prevail, could require us to divert substantial financial and management resources that we would otherwise be able to devote to our business.

Third-party claims of intellectual property infringement, misappropriation, or other violations against us or our collaborators could be expensive and time consuming and may prevent or delay the development and commercialization of cretostimogene or any future product candidates.

Our commercial success depends in part on our and our collaborators' ability to avoid infringing, misappropriating and otherwise violating the patents and other intellectual property rights of third parties. There is a substantial amount of complex litigation involving patents and other intellectual property rights in the biotechnology and pharmaceutical industries, as well as administrative proceedings for challenging patents, including interference, derivation and reexamination proceedings before the USPTO or oppositions and other comparable proceedings in foreign jurisdictions.

Numerous U.S. and foreign-issued patents and pending patent applications owned by third parties exist in the fields in which we plan to commercialize our therapeutic programs and in which we are developing other proprietary technologies. As the biotechnology and pharmaceutical industries expand and more patents are issued, and as we gain greater visibility and market exposure as a public company, the risk increases that our therapeutic programs and commercializing activities may give rise to claims of infringement of the patent rights of others. We cannot guarantee that our therapeutic programs and other proprietary technologies we develop will not infringe existing or future patents owned by third parties. We may not be aware of patents that have already been issued for which a third party, such as a competitor in the fields in which we are developing our therapeutic programs, might assert as infringed by us. It is also possible that patents owned by third parties of which we are aware, but which we do not believe we infringe or that we believe we have valid defenses to any claims of patent infringement, could be found to be infringed by us. It is not unusual that corresponding patents issued in different countries have different scopes of coverage, such that in one country a third-party patent does not pose a material risk, but in another country, the corresponding third-party patent may pose a material risk to cretostimogene or any future product candidates. In addition, because patent applications can take many years to issue, there may be currently pending patent applications that may later result in issued patents that we may infringe. For example, pending patent applications that have been published can, subject to certain limitations, be later amended in a manner that could cover cretostimogene or any future product candidates or the use of cretostimogene or any such product candidates.

In the event that any third-party claims that we infringe their patents or that we are otherwise employing their proprietary technology without authorization and initiates litigation against us, even if we believe such claims are without merit, a court could hold that such patents are valid, enforceable and infringed by us. Defense of infringement claims, regardless of their merit, would involve substantial litigation expense and would be a substantial diversion of management and other employee resources from our business, and may impact our reputation. In the event of a successful claim of infringement against us, we may be enjoined from further developing or commercializing the infringing products or technologies. In addition, we may be required to pay substantial damages, including treble damages and attorneys' fees for willful infringement, obtain one or more licenses from third parties, pay royalties and/or redesign our infringing products or technologies, which may be impossible or require substantial time and monetary expenditure. Such licenses may not be available on commercially reasonable terms or at all. Even if we are able to obtain a license, the license would likely obligate us to pay license fees or royalties or both, and the rights granted to us might be nonexclusive, which could result in our competitors gaining access to the same intellectual property. If we are unable to obtain a necessary license to a third-party patent on commercially reasonable terms or at all, we may be unable to commercialize the infringing products or technologies or such commercialization efforts may be significantly delayed, which could in turn significantly harm our business. In addition, we may in the future pursue patent challenges with respect to third-party patents, including as a defense against the foregoing infringement claims. The outcome of such challenges is unpredictable.

Even if resolved in our favor, the foregoing proceedings could be very expensive, particularly for a company of our size, and time-consuming. Such proceedings could substantially increase our operating losses and reduce the resources available for development activities or any future sales, marketing or distribution

activities. We may not have sufficient financial or other resources to conduct such proceedings adequately. Some of our competitors may be able to sustain the costs of litigation or administrative proceedings more effectively than we can because of greater financial resources. Such proceedings may also absorb significant time of our technical and management personnel and distract them from their normal responsibilities. Uncertainties resulting from such proceedings could impair our ability to compete in the marketplace. In addition, there could be public announcements of the results of hearings, motions or other interim proceedings or developments and if securities analysts or investors perceive these results to be negative, it could have a substantial adverse effect on the price of our common stock. The occurrence of any of the foregoing could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

We may in the future pursue invalidity proceedings with respect to third-party patents. The outcome following legal assertions of invalidity is unpredictable. Even if resolved in our favor, these legal proceedings may cause us to incur significant expenses, and could distract our technical and management personnel from their normal responsibilities. In addition, there could be public announcements of the results of hearings, motions or other interim proceedings or developments and if securities analysts or investors perceive these results to be negative, it could have a substantial adverse effect on the price of our common stock. Such proceedings could substantially increase our operating losses and reduce the resources available for development activities or any future sales, marketing or distribution activities. We may not have sufficient financial or other resources to conduct such proceedings adequately. Some of these third parties may be able to sustain the costs of such proceedings more effectively than we can because of their greater financial resources. Uncertainties resulting from the initiation and continuation of patent proceedings could compromise our ability to compete in the marketplace. If we do not prevail in the patent proceedings the third parties may assert a claim of patent infringement directed at cretostimogene or any future product candidates.

We may become involved in lawsuits to protect or enforce our patents and other intellectual property rights, which could be expensive, time-consuming, and unsuccessful.

Third parties, such as a competitor, may infringe our patent rights. In an infringement proceeding, a court may decide that a patent we own or a patent we may license in the future is invalid or unenforceable or may refuse to stop the other party from using the invention at issue. In addition, our patent rights may become involved in inventorship, ownership, priority, enforceability, or validity disputes. To counter or defend against such claims can be expensive and time-consuming. An adverse result in any litigation proceeding could put our patent rights at risk of being invalidated, held unenforceable or interpreted narrowly. Furthermore, because of the substantial amount of discovery required in connection with intellectual property litigation and proceedings, there is a risk that some of our confidential information could be compromised by disclosure during such litigation and proceedings.

Even if resolved in our favor, litigation or other legal proceedings relating to intellectual property claims may cause us to incur significant expenses and could distract our personnel from their normal responsibilities. In addition, there could be public announcements of the results of hearings, motions or other interim proceedings or developments, and if securities analysts or investors perceive these results to be negative, it could have a substantial adverse effect on the price of our common stock. Such litigation or proceedings could substantially increase our operating losses and reduce the resources available for development activities or any future sales, marketing or distribution activities. We may not have sufficient financial or other resources to conduct such litigation or proceedings adequately. Some of our competitors may be able to sustain the costs of such litigation or proceedings more effectively than we can because of their greater financial resources and more mature and developed intellectual property portfolios. Uncertainties resulting from the initiation and continuation of patent litigation or other proceedings could have a material adverse effect on our ability to compete in the marketplace.

If our trademarks and trade names are not adequately protected, then we may not be able to build name recognition in our markets of interest and our business may be adversely affected.

Our registered or unregistered trademarks or trade names may be challenged, infringed, diluted, circumvented or declared generic or determined to be infringing, misappropriating or violating other marks. We may not be able to protect our rights to these trademarks and trade names, which we need to build name recognition among potential partners or customers in the markets of interest. During trademark registration proceedings, we may receive rejections of our applications by the USPTO or in other foreign jurisdictions. Although we are given an opportunity to respond to such rejections, we may be unable to overcome them. In the event that our trademarks are successfully challenged or determined to be infringing, misappropriating or violating other marks, we could be forced to rebrand our products, which could result in loss of brand recognition, and could require us to devote resources to advertising and marketing new brands. In addition, in the USPTO and in comparable agencies in many foreign jurisdictions, third parties are given an opportunity to oppose pending trademark applications and to seek to cancel registered trademarks. Opposition or cancellation proceedings may be filed against our trademarks, which may not survive such proceedings. Moreover, any name we may propose to use with cretostimogene or any future product candidates in the United States must be approved by the FDA, regardless of whether we have registered it, or applied to register it, as a trademark. Similar requirements exist in Europe. The FDA typically conducts a review of proposed product names, including an evaluation of potential for confusion with other product names. If the FDA or an equivalent administrative body in a foreign jurisdiction objects to any of our proposed proprietary product names, we may be required to expend significant additional resources in an effort to identify a suitable substitute name that would qualify under applicable trademark laws, not infringe, misappropriate or otherwise violate the existing rights of third parties and be acceptable to the FDA. Furthermore, in many countries, owning and maintaining a trademark registration may not provide an adequate defense against a subsequent infringement claim asserted by the owner of a senior trademark.

We may not be able to obtain, protect or enforce our rights to these trademarks and trade names, which we need to build name recognition among potential partners or customers in our markets of interest. At times, competitors or other third parties may adopt trade names or trademarks similar to ours, thereby impeding our ability to build brand identity and possibly leading to market confusion. In addition, there could be potential trade name or trademark infringement, misappropriation, dilution or other claims brought by owners of other registered trademarks or trademarks that incorporate variations of our registered or unregistered trademarks or trade names. Over the long term, if we are unable to establish name recognition based on our trademarks and trade names, then we may not be able to compete effectively and our business may be adversely affected. Our efforts to obtain, enforce or protect our proprietary rights related to trademarks, trade names, domain name, or other intellectual property may be ineffective and could result in substantial costs and diversion of resources and could adversely affect our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

Intellectual property rights do not necessarily address all potential threats.

The degree of future protection afforded by our intellectual property rights is uncertain because intellectual property rights have limitations and may not adequately protect our business or permit us to maintain our competitive advantage. For example:

- others may be able to make products that are similar to cretostimogene or any future product candidates or utilize similar technology but that are not covered by the claims of the patents that we own or may license in the future;
- we or our licensors or collaborators might not have been the first to make the inventions covered by our current or future patent applications;
- we or our licensors or collaborators might not have been the first to file patent applications covering our or their inventions;

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- others may independently develop similar or alternative technologies or duplicate any of our technologies without infringing our intellectual property rights;
- it is possible that our pending and future patent applications that we own or may license will not lead to issued patents;
- any issued patent that we own or license in the future may be held invalid or unenforceable, including as a result of legal challenges by our competitors or other third parties;
- others may have access to the same intellectual property rights licensed to us in the future on a non-exclusive basis;
- our competitors or other third parties might conduct research and development activities in countries where we or our licensors do not have patent rights and then use the information learned from such activities to develop competitive products for sale in our major commercial markets;
- we may not develop additional proprietary technologies that are patentable;
- we may fail to identify potential patentable subject matter and/or may fail to file on it;
- the patents or other intellectual property rights of others may harm our business; and
- we may choose not to file for patent protection in order to maintain certain trade secrets or know-how, and a third party may subsequently file a patent application covering such intellectual property or disclose information resulting in a loss of protection for such trade secret.

Should any of the foregoing occur, it could adversely affect our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

We may not be successful in obtaining or maintaining necessary rights to product components and processes for our development pipeline through acquisitions and in-licenses.

The growth of our business may depend in part on our ability to acquire, in-license or use third-party intellectual property and proprietary rights. For example, cretostimogene or any future product candidates may require specific formulations to work effectively and efficiently, we may develop product candidates containing our compounds and pre-existing pharmaceutical compounds, we may develop combination therapies with our compounds and third-party compounds, any of which could require us to obtain rights to use intellectual property held by third parties. In addition, with respect to any patent or other intellectual property rights we may co-own with third parties, we may require licenses to such co-owners' interest to such patents. We may be unable to acquire or in-license any compositions, methods of use, processes or other third-party intellectual property rights from third parties that we identify as necessary or important to our business operations. In addition, we may fail to obtain any of these licenses at a reasonable cost or on reasonable terms, if at all. Were that to happen, we may need to cease use of the compositions or methods covered by those third-party intellectual property rights and may need to seek to develop alternative approaches that do not infringe, misappropriate or otherwise violate those intellectual property rights, which may entail additional costs and development delays, even if we were able to develop such alternatives, which may not be feasible. Even if we are able to obtain a license, it may be non-exclusive, which means that our competitors may also receive access to the same technologies licensed to us. In that event, we may be required to expend significant time and resources to develop or license replacement technology.

Additionally, we may collaborate with academic institutions to accelerate our research and development under written agreements with these institutions. In certain cases, these institutions provide us with an option to negotiate a license to any of the institution's rights in technology resulting from the collaboration. Even if we hold such an option, we may be unable to negotiate a license from the institution within the specified timeframe or under terms that are acceptable to us. If we are unable to do so, the institution may offer the intellectual property rights to others, potentially blocking our ability to pursue our program. Even if we are able to obtain a

license, it may be non-exclusive, and our competitors may also receive access to the same technologies licensed to us.

The licensing and acquisition of third-party intellectual property rights is a competitive area, and companies that may be more established or have greater resources than we do may also be pursuing strategies to license or acquire third-party intellectual property rights that we may consider necessary or attractive in order to commercialize cretostimogene or any future product candidates. More established companies may have a competitive advantage over us due to their size, cash resources or greater clinical development and commercialization capabilities. In addition, companies that perceive us to be a competitor may be unwilling to assign or license rights to us. There can be no assurance that we will be able to successfully complete these types of negotiations and ultimately acquire the rights to the intellectual property surrounding cretostimogene or any future product candidates that we may seek to develop or market. If we are unable to successfully obtain rights to required third-party intellectual property or to maintain the existing intellectual property rights we have, we may have to abandon development of certain programs and our business, financial condition, results of operations, and prospects could suffer.

Risks Related to This Offering and Ownership of Our Common Stock

There has been no public market for our common stock. An active, liquid and orderly market for our common stock may not develop, or we may in the future fail to satisfy the continued listing requirements of Nasdaq, and you may not be able to resell your common stock at or above the initial public offering price or at all.

Prior to this offering, there has been no public market for our common stock. Although we have applied to list our common stock on the Nasdaq, an active trading market for our common stock may never develop or may not be sustained following this offering. We and the representatives of the underwriters will determine the initial public offering price of our common stock through negotiation. This price will not necessarily reflect the price at which investors in the market will be willing to buy and sell our shares following this offering. In addition, an active trading market may not develop following the completion of this offering or, if it is developed, may not be sustained. The lack of an active market may impair your ability to sell your shares at the time you wish to sell them or at a price that you consider reasonable. An inactive market may also impair our ability to raise capital by selling shares and may impair our ability to acquire other businesses or technologies using our shares as consideration, which, in turn, could materially adversely affect our business.

If, after listing, we fail to satisfy the continued listing requirements of Nasdaq, such as the corporate governance requirements or the minimum closing bid price requirement, Nasdaq may take steps to delist our common stock. Such a delisting would likely have a negative effect on the price of our common stock and would impair your ability to sell or purchase our common stock when you wish to do so. In the event of a delisting, we can provide no assurance that any action taken by us to restore compliance with listing requirements would allow our common stock to become listed again, stabilize the market price or improve the liquidity of our common stock, prevent our common stock from dropping below the Nasdaq minimum bid price requirement or prevent future non-compliance with the listing requirements of Nasdaq.

The trading price of the shares of our common stock could be highly volatile, and purchasers of our common stock could incur substantial losses.

Our stock price is likely to be volatile. The stock market in general and the market for stock of biopharmaceutical companies in particular have experienced extreme volatility that has often been unrelated to the operating performance of particular companies. As a result of this volatility, investors may not be able to sell their common stock at or above the initial public offering price. The market price for our common stock may be influenced by those factors discussed in this “Risk Factors” section and many others, including:

- results of our clinical trials and preclinical studies, and the results of trials of our competitors or those of other companies in our market sector;

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- our ability to enroll patients in our future clinical trials;
- our ability to obtain and maintain regulatory approval of cretostimogene or any future product candidates or additional indications thereof, or limitations to specific label indications or patient populations for its use, or changes or delays in the regulatory review process;
- regulatory or legal developments in the United States and foreign countries;
- changes in the structure of healthcare payment systems;
- the success or failure of our efforts to develop, acquire, or license cretostimogene or any future product candidates;
- innovations, clinical trial results, product approvals and other developments regarding our competitors;
- announcements by us or our competitors of significant acquisitions, strategic partnerships, joint ventures, or capital commitments;
- manufacturing, supply, or distribution delays or shortages;
- any changes to our relationship with any manufacturers, suppliers, collaborators or other strategic partners;
- achievement of expected product sales and profitability;
- variations in our financial results or development timelines or those of companies that are perceived to be similar to us, including variations from expectations of securities analysts or investors;
- market conditions in the biopharmaceutical sector and issuance of securities analysts' reports or recommendations;
- trading volume of our common stock;
- an inability to obtain additional funding;
- sales of our stock by us, our insiders or our stockholders, as well as the anticipation of lock-up releases or expiration of market stand-off or lock-up agreements;
- general economic, industry, geopolitical and market conditions, such as military conflict or war, inflation and financial institution instability, or pandemic or epidemic disease outbreaks, many of which are beyond our control;
- additions or departures of senior management, directors or key personnel;
- intellectual property, product liability or other litigation against us or our inability to enforce our intellectual property;
- changes in our capital structure, such as future issuances of securities and the incurrence of additional debt; and
- changes in accounting standards, policies, guidelines, interpretations or principles.

In addition, in the past, stockholders have initiated class action lawsuits against biopharmaceutical companies following periods of volatility in the market prices of these companies' stock. Such litigation, if instituted against us, could cause us to incur substantial costs, divert our management's attention and resources and damage our reputation, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

We may allocate the net proceeds from this offering in ways that you and other stockholders may not approve.

Our management will have broad discretion in the application of the net proceeds from this offering, including for any of the purposes described in the section titled "Use of Proceeds." Because of the number and

variability of factors that will determine our use of the net proceeds from this offering, their ultimate use may vary substantially from their currently intended use. Our management might not apply our net proceeds in ways that ultimately increase the value of your investment, and the failure by our management to apply these funds effectively could harm our business. Pending their use, we may invest the net proceeds from this offering in short-and intermediate-term, interest-bearing obligations, investment-grade instruments, certificates of deposit or direct or guaranteed obligations of the U.S. government. These investments may not yield a favorable return to our stockholders. If we do not invest or apply the net proceeds from this offering in ways that enhance stockholder value, we may fail to achieve expected results, which could cause our stock price to decline.

You will suffer immediate and substantial dilution in the net tangible book value of the common stock you purchase in this offering.

The initial public offering price of our common stock is substantially higher than the pro forma as adjusted net tangible book value per share of our outstanding common stock immediately after the completion of this offering. Purchasers of common stock in this offering will experience immediate dilution of approximately \$10.11 per share, assuming an initial public offering price of \$17.00 per share, which is the midpoint of the price range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus. In the past, we issued options to acquire common stock at prices significantly below the initial public offering price. To the extent these outstanding options are ultimately exercised, investors purchasing common stock in this offering will sustain further dilution. For a further description of the dilution that you will experience immediately after this offering, see the section titled “Dilution.”

After this offering, our executive officers, directors, and principal stockholders, if they choose to act together, will continue to have the ability to significantly influence all matters submitted to stockholders for approval.

Following the completion of this offering, our executive officers, directors and greater than 5% stockholders, in the aggregate, will own approximately 46.2% of our outstanding common stock (assuming no exercise of the underwriters’ over-allotment option and no exercise of outstanding options and without giving effect to any potential purchases by such persons in this offering). As a result, such persons, acting together, will have the ability to significantly influence all matters submitted to our board of directors or stockholders for approval, including the appointment of our management, the election and removal of directors and approval of any significant transaction, as well as our management and business affairs. This concentration of ownership may have the effect of delaying, deferring or preventing a change in control, impeding a merger, consolidation, takeover or other business combination involving us, or discouraging a potential acquiror from making a tender offer or otherwise attempting to obtain control of our business, even if such a transaction would benefit other stockholders.

We do not currently intend to pay dividends on our common stock, so any returns on your investment will be limited to the value of our common stock.

We have never declared or paid any cash dividend on our common stock. We currently anticipate that we will retain future earnings for the development, operation, and expansion of our business and do not anticipate declaring or paying any cash dividends for the foreseeable future. In addition, any future debt agreements may preclude us from paying dividends. Any return to stockholders will therefore be limited to the appreciation of their stock. There is no guarantee that shares of our common stock will appreciate in value or even maintain the price at which stockholders have purchased their shares.

Sales of a substantial number of shares of our common stock by our existing stockholders in the public market could cause our stock price to fall.

Sales of a substantial number of shares of our common stock in the public market or the perception that these sales might occur could significantly reduce the market price of our common stock and impair our ability to raise adequate capital through the sale of additional equity or equity-linked securities.

Based on shares of common stock outstanding as of September 30, 2023, upon the completion of this offering, we will have a total of 55,282,511 shares of common stock outstanding, assuming no exercise of the underwriters' over-allotment option and no exercise of outstanding options. Of these shares, only the 11,800,000 shares of common stock sold in this offering by us, plus any shares sold upon exercise of the underwriters' over-allotment option, will be freely tradable, without restriction, in the public market immediately following this offering, unless they are purchased by one of our affiliates.

Our directors and executive officers and substantially all of our securityholders have entered into lock-up agreements with the representatives pursuant to which they may not, with limited exceptions, for a period of 180 days from the date of this prospectus, offer, sell or otherwise transfer or dispose of any of our securities, without the prior written consent of Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC and Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC. The underwriters may permit our officers, directors and other securityholders who are subject to the lock-up agreements to sell shares prior to the expiration of the lock-up agreements at any time in their sole discretion. See the section titled "Underwriting." Sales of these shares, or perceptions that they will be sold, could cause the trading price of our common stock to decline. After the lock-up agreements expire, up to an additional 43,636,185 shares of common stock will be eligible for sale in the public market, of which 9,887,099 shares will be held by directors, executive officers and other affiliates and will be subject to volume limitations under Rule 144 under the Securities Act, in each case based on shares of common stock outstanding as of September 30, 2023 and without giving effect to any potential purchases by such persons in this offering.

In addition, as of September 30, 2023, 4,688,990 shares of common stock that are subject to outstanding options under our employee benefit plans will become eligible for sale in the public market to the extent permitted by the provisions of various vesting schedules, the lock-up agreements and Rule 144 and Rule 701 under the Securities Act. If these additional shares of common stock are sold, or if it is perceived that they will be sold, in the public market, the trading price of our common stock could decline.

After this offering, the holders of 38,413,913 shares of our outstanding common stock, or approximately 69.5% of our total outstanding common stock based on shares outstanding as of September 30, 2023, will be entitled to rights with respect to the registration of their shares under the Securities Act, subject to vesting and the 180-day lock-up agreements described above. See the section titled "Description of Capital Stock—Registration Rights." Registration of these shares under the Securities Act would result in the shares becoming freely tradable without restriction under the Securities Act, except for shares held by affiliates, as defined in Rule 144 under the Securities Act. Any sales of securities by these stockholders could have a material adverse effect on the trading price of our common stock.

We are an emerging growth company and a smaller reporting company, and the reduced disclosure requirements applicable to emerging growth companies and smaller reporting companies may make our common stock less attractive to investors.

We are an emerging growth company, as defined in the JOBS Act, and may remain an emerging growth company until the last day of the fiscal year following the fifth anniversary of the completion of this offering. However, if certain events occur prior to the end of such five-year period, including if we become a "large accelerated filer", as defined under the Exchange Act, our annual gross revenue exceeds \$1.235 billion or we issue more than \$1.0 billion of non-convertible debt in any three-year period, we will cease to be an emerging growth company prior to the end of such five-year period. For so long as we remain an emerging growth company, we are permitted and intend to rely on exemptions from certain disclosure requirements that are applicable to other public companies that are not emerging growth companies. These exemptions include:

- being permitted to provide only two years of audited financial statements, in addition to any required unaudited interim financial statements, with correspondingly reduced "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" disclosure;
- not being required to comply with the auditor attestation requirements in the assessment of our internal control over financial reporting pursuant to the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (Sarbanes-Oxley);

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- not being required to comply with any requirement that may be adopted by the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board regarding mandatory audit firm rotation or a supplement to the auditor's report providing additional information about the audit and the financial statements, unless the SEC determines the new rules are necessary for protecting the public;
- reduced disclosure obligations regarding executive compensation; and
- exemptions from the requirements of holding a nonbinding advisory vote on executive compensation and shareholder approval of any golden parachute payments not previously approved.

We have taken advantage of reduced reporting burdens in this prospectus. In particular, in this prospectus, we have provided only two years of audited financial statements and have not included all of the executive compensation-related information that would be required if we were not an emerging growth company. We cannot predict whether investors will find our common stock less attractive if we rely on these exemptions. If some investors find our common stock less attractive as a result, there may be a less active trading market for our common stock and our stock price may be reduced or more volatile. In addition, the JOBS Act provides that an emerging growth company can take advantage of an extended transition period for complying with new or revised accounting standards. This allows an emerging growth company to delay the adoption of these accounting standards until they would otherwise apply to private companies. We have irrevocably elected to avail ourselves of this exemption and, therefore, we may not be subject to the same new or revised accounting standards as other public companies that are not emerging growth companies. We intend to rely on other exemptions provided by the JOBS Act, including without limitation, not being required to comply with the auditor attestation requirements of Section 404(b) of Sarbanes-Oxley.

We are also a smaller reporting company as defined in the Exchange Act. We may continue to be a smaller reporting company even after we are no longer an emerging growth company. We may take advantage of certain of the scaled disclosures available to smaller reporting companies and will be able to take advantage of these scaled disclosures for so long as our voting and non-voting common stock held by non-affiliates is less than \$250.0 million measured on the last business day of our second fiscal quarter, or our annual revenue is less than \$100.0 million during the most recently completed fiscal year and our voting and non-voting common stock held by non-affiliates is less than \$700.0 million measured on the last business day of our second fiscal quarter.

Provisions in our charter documents and under Delaware law could discourage a takeover that stockholders may consider favorable and may lead to entrenchment of management.

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws that will be in effect immediately prior to the completion of this offering will contain provisions that could significantly reduce the value of our shares to a potential acquiror or delay or prevent changes in control or changes in our management without the consent of our board of directors. The provisions in our charter documents will include the following:

- a classified board of directors with three-year staggered terms, which may delay the ability of stockholders to change the membership of a majority of our board of directors;
- no cumulative voting in the election of directors, which limits the ability of minority stockholders to elect director candidates;
- the exclusive right of our board of directors, unless the board of directors grants such right to the stockholders, to elect a director to fill a vacancy created by the expansion of the board of directors or the resignation, death or removal of a director, which prevents stockholders from being able to fill vacancies on our board of directors;
- the required approval of at least 66-2/3% of the shares entitled to vote to remove a director for cause, and the prohibition on removal of directors without cause;
- the ability of our board of directors to authorize the issuance of shares of preferred stock and to determine the price and other terms of those shares, including preferences and voting rights, without stockholder approval, which could be used to significantly dilute the ownership of a hostile acquiror;

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- the ability of our board of directors to alter our amended and restated bylaws without obtaining stockholder approval;
- the required approval of at least 66-2/3% of the shares entitled to vote to adopt, amend or repeal our amended and restated bylaws or repeal the provisions of our amended and restated certificate of incorporation regarding the election and removal of directors;
- a prohibition on stockholder action by written consent, which forces stockholder action to be taken at an annual or special meeting of our stockholders;
- an exclusive forum provision providing that the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware will be the exclusive forum for certain actions and proceedings;
- the requirement that a special meeting of stockholders may be called only by the board of directors, which may delay the ability of our stockholders to force consideration of a proposal or to take action, including the removal of directors; and
- advance notice procedures that stockholders must comply with in order to nominate candidates to our board of directors or to propose matters to be acted upon at a stockholders' meeting, which may discourage or deter a potential acquiror from conducting a solicitation of proxies to elect the acquiror's own slate of directors or otherwise attempting to obtain control of us.

We are also subject to the anti-takeover provisions contained in Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law. Under Section 203, a corporation may not, in general, engage in a business combination with any holder of 15% or more of its capital stock unless the holder has held the stock for three years or, among other exceptions, the board of directors has approved the transaction.

Our current amended and restated certificate of incorporation provides, and our amended and restated certificate of incorporation will provide, that the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware will be the exclusive forum for substantially all disputes between us and our stockholders and that the federal district courts shall be the exclusive forum for the resolution of any complaint asserting a cause of action arising under the Securities Act, which could limit our stockholders' ability to obtain a favorable judicial forum for disputes with us or our directors, officers or employees or the underwriters or any offering giving rise to such claim.

Our current amended and restated certificate of incorporation provides, and our amended and restated certificate of incorporation that will be in effect immediately prior to the completion of this offering will provide, that the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware is the exclusive forum for any derivative action or proceeding brought on our behalf, any action asserting a breach of fiduciary duty, any action asserting a claim against us arising pursuant to the Delaware General Corporation Law, our amended and restated certificate of incorporation or our amended and restated bylaws, or any action asserting a claim against us that is governed by the internal affairs doctrine; provided, that, this provision would not apply to suits brought to enforce a duty or liability created by the Exchange Act, or any other claim for which the federal courts have exclusive jurisdiction. Furthermore, our amended and restated certificate of incorporation will also provide that unless we consent in writing to the selection of an alternative forum, the federal district courts of the United States shall be the exclusive forum for the resolution of any complaint asserting a cause of action arising under the Securities Act. These choice of forum provisions may limit a stockholder's ability to bring a claim in a judicial forum that it finds favorable for disputes with us or our directors, officers or other employees, which may discourage such lawsuits against us and our directors, officers and other employees and result in increased costs for investors to bring a claim. By agreeing to this provision, however, stockholders will not be deemed to have waived our compliance with the federal securities laws and the rules and regulations thereunder. Furthermore, the enforceability of similar choice of forum provisions in other companies' certificates of incorporation has been challenged in legal proceedings, and it is possible that a court could find these types of provisions to be inapplicable or unenforceable. If a court were to find the choice of forum provisions in our amended and restated

certificate of incorporation to be inapplicable or unenforceable in an action, we may incur additional costs associated with resolving such action in other jurisdictions, which could adversely affect our business and financial condition.

Participation in this offering by our existing stockholders and/or their affiliated entities may reduce the public float for our common stock.

To the extent certain of our existing stockholders and their affiliated entities participate in this offering, such purchases would reduce the non-affiliate public float of our shares, meaning the number of shares of our common stock that are not held by officers, directors, and controlling stockholders. A reduction in the public float could reduce the number of shares that are available to be traded at any given time, thereby adversely impacting the liquidity of our common stock and depressing the price at which you may be able to sell shares of common stock purchased in this offering.

General Risk Factors

We will incur significant increased costs as a result of operating as a public company, and our management will be required to devote substantial time to new compliance initiatives.

As a public company, we will incur significant legal, accounting and other expenses that we did not incur as a private company. We will be subject to the reporting requirements of the Exchange Act, which will require, among other things, that we file with the SEC annual, quarterly and current reports with respect to our business and financial condition. In addition, Sarbanes-Oxley, as well as rules subsequently adopted by the SEC and Nasdaq to implement provisions of Sarbanes-Oxley, impose significant requirements on public companies, including requiring establishment and maintenance of effective disclosure and financial controls and certain corporate governance practices. Further, pursuant to the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010, the SEC has adopted additional rules and regulations in these areas, such as mandatory “say on pay” voting requirements that will apply to us when we cease to be an emerging growth company. Stockholder activism, the current political environment and the current high level of government intervention and regulatory reform may lead to substantial new regulations and disclosure obligations, which may lead to additional compliance costs and impact the manner in which we operate our business in ways we cannot currently anticipate.

We expect the rules and regulations applicable to public companies to substantially increase our legal and financial compliance costs and to make some activities more time consuming and costly. The increased costs will decrease our net income or increase our net loss, and may require us to reduce expenditures in other areas of our business. For example, we expect these rules and regulations to make it more difficult and more expensive for us to obtain director and officer liability insurance, and we may be required to incur substantial costs to maintain the same or similar coverage. We cannot predict or estimate the amount or timing of additional costs we may incur to comply with these requirements. The impact of these requirements could also make it more difficult for us to attract and retain qualified persons to serve on our board of directors, our board committees or as executive officers. If these requirements divert the attention of our management and personnel from other business concerns, they could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

We are subject to U.S. and certain foreign export and import controls, sanctions, embargoes, anti-corruption laws, and anti-money laundering laws and regulations. We could face criminal liability and other serious consequences for violations, which could harm our business.

We are subject to export control and import laws and regulations, including the U.S. Export Administration Regulations, U.S. Customs regulations, and various economic and trade sanctions regulations administered by the U.S. Treasury Department’s Office of Foreign Assets Controls and anti-corruption and anti-money laundering

laws and regulations, including the U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, as amended, the U.S. domestic bribery statute contained in 18 U.S.C. § 201, the U.S. Travel Act, the USA PATRIOT Act and other state and national anti-bribery and anti-money laundering laws in the countries in which we conduct activities. Anti-corruption laws are interpreted broadly and prohibit companies and their employees, agents, CROs, contractors and other collaborators and partners from authorizing, promising, offering, providing, soliciting or receiving, directly or indirectly, improper payments or anything else of value to or from recipients in the public or private sector. We may engage third parties for clinical trials outside of the United States, to sell our products abroad if and when we enter a commercialization phase, and/or to obtain necessary permits, licenses, patent registrations and other regulatory approvals. We have direct or indirect interactions with officials and employees of government agencies or government-affiliated hospitals, universities and other organizations. We can be held liable for the corrupt or other illegal activities of our employees, agents, CROs, contractors and other collaborators and partners, even if we do not explicitly authorize or have actual knowledge of such activities, and any training or compliance programs or other initiatives we undertake to prevent such activities may not be effective.

Any violations of the laws and regulations described above may result in substantial civil and criminal fines and penalties, imprisonment, the loss of export or import privileges, debarment, tax reassessments, breach of contract and fraud litigation, reputational harm and other consequences.

Furthermore, U.S. export control laws and economic sanctions prohibit the provision of certain products and services to countries, governments, and persons targeted by U.S. sanctions. U.S. sanctions that have been or may be imposed may impact our ability to continue activities at future clinical trial sites within regions covered by such sanctions. If we fail to comply with export and import regulations and such economic sanctions, penalties could be imposed, including fines and/or denial of certain export privileges. These export and import controls and economic sanctions could also adversely affect our supply chain.

We and any of our third-party manufacturers or suppliers may use potent chemical agents and hazardous materials, and any claims relating to improper handling, storage, or disposal of these materials could be time-consuming or costly.

We and any of our third-party manufacturers or suppliers and our current or any future collaborators may use biological materials, potent chemical agents, and hazardous materials, including chemicals and biological agents and compounds that could be dangerous to human health and safety of the environment. Our operations and the operations of our third-party manufacturers and suppliers also produce hazardous waste products. Federal, state and local laws and regulations govern the use, generation, manufacture, storage, handling and disposal of these materials and wastes. Compliance with applicable environmental laws and regulations may be expensive, and current or future environmental laws and regulations may impair our product development efforts. In addition, neither we or our third-party manufacturers and suppliers can eliminate the risk of accidental injury or contamination from these materials or wastes. We do not carry specific biological or hazardous waste insurance coverage, and our property, casualty and general liability insurance policies specifically exclude coverage for damages and fines arising from biological or hazardous waste exposure or contamination. In the event of contamination or injury at our, our manufacturers' or our suppliers' sites, we could be held liable for damages or be penalized with fines in an amount exceeding our resources, and our clinical trials or regulatory approvals could be suspended. Although we maintain workers' compensation insurance for certain costs and expenses we may incur due to injuries to our employees resulting from work-related injuries, this insurance may not provide adequate coverage against potential liabilities. We do not maintain insurance for toxic tort claims that may be asserted against us in connection with the storage or disposal of biologic, hazardous or radioactive materials.

In addition, we may incur substantial costs in order to comply with current or future environmental, health, and safety laws and regulations, which have tended to become more stringent over time. These current or future laws and regulations may impair our research, development or production efforts. Failure to comply with these

laws and regulations also may result in substantial fines, penalties or other sanctions or liabilities, which could materially adversely affect our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

Business disruptions could seriously harm our future revenue and financial condition and increase our costs and expenses.

Our operations and the operations of our manufacturers, suppliers, collaborators, CROs and clinical sites could be subject to earthquakes, power shortages, telecommunications or infrastructure failures, cybersecurity incidents, physical security breaches, water shortages, floods, hurricanes, typhoons, blizzards and other extreme weather conditions, fires, public health pandemics or epidemics (including, for example, the COVID-19 pandemic) and other natural or manmade disasters or business interruptions, for which we are predominantly self-insured. We rely on third-party manufacturers or suppliers to produce cretostimogene or any future product candidates and its components and on CROs and clinical sites to conduct our clinical trials, and do not have a redundant source of supply for all components of cretostimogene or any future product candidates. Our ability to obtain clinical or, if approved, commercial, supplies of cretostimogene or any future product candidates could be disrupted if the operations of these suppliers were affected by a man-made or natural disaster or other business interruption, and our ability to commence, conduct or complete our clinical trials in a timely manner could be similarly adversely affected by any of the foregoing. In addition, our corporate headquarters is located in Irvine, California near major earthquake faults and fire zones, and the ultimate impact on us of being located near major earthquake faults and fire zones and being consolidated in a certain geographical area is unknown. The occurrence of any of these business disruptions could seriously harm our operations and financial condition and increase our costs and expenses.

Unstable market and economic conditions and adverse developments with respect to financial institutions and associated liquidity risk may have serious adverse consequences on our business, financial condition and stock price.

From time to time, the global credit and financial markets have experienced extreme volatility and disruptions, including severely diminished liquidity and credit availability, declines in consumer confidence, declines in economic growth, increases in unemployment rates and uncertainty about economic stability. The financial markets and the global economy may also be adversely affected by the current or anticipated impact of military conflict, including the conflicts between Russia and Ukraine and in the Middle East, terrorism or other geopolitical events. Sanctions imposed by the United States and other countries in response to such conflicts, including the one in Ukraine, may also adversely impact the financial markets and the global economy, and any economic countermeasures by the affected countries or others could exacerbate market and economic instability. In addition, in 2023 the closures of financial institutions and their placement into receivership with the FDIC created bank-specific and broader financial institution liquidity risk and concerns. Future adverse developments with respect to specific financial institutions or the broader financial services industry may lead to market-wide liquidity shortages, impair the ability of companies to access near-term working capital needs, and create additional market and economic uncertainty. There can be no assurance that future credit and financial market instability and a deterioration in confidence in economic conditions will not occur. Our general business strategy may be adversely affected by any such economic downturn, liquidity shortages, volatile business environment or continued unpredictable and unstable market conditions. If the equity and credit markets deteriorate, or if adverse developments are experienced by financial institutions, it may cause short-term liquidity risk and also make any necessary debt or equity financing more difficult, more costly, more onerous with respect to financial and operating covenants and more dilutive. Failure to secure any necessary financing in a timely manner and on favorable terms could have a material adverse effect on our growth strategy, financial performance and stock price and could require us to delay, limit, reduce or abandon product development or future commercialization efforts or grant rights to develop and market our product candidates even if we would otherwise prefer to develop and market such product candidates ourselves. In addition, there is a risk that one or more of our current service providers, financial institutions, manufacturers and other partners may be adversely affected by the foregoing risks, which could directly affect our ability to attain our operating goals on schedule and on budget.

Changes in tax law may materially adversely affect our financial condition, results of operations and cash flows, or adversely impact the value of an investment in our common stock.

New income, sales, use or other tax laws, statutes, rules, regulations or ordinances could be enacted at any time, or interpreted, changed, modified or applied adversely to us, any of which could adversely affect our business operations and financial performance.

If securities or industry analysts do not publish research or reports or publish unfavorable research or reports about our business, our stock price and trading volume could decline.

The trading market for our common stock will depend in part on the research and reports that securities or industry analysts publish about us, our business, our market or our competitors. We do not currently have and may never obtain research coverage by securities and industry analysts. If no securities or industry analysts commence coverage of our company, the trading price for our stock would be negatively impacted. In the event we obtain securities or industry analyst coverage, if one or more of the analysts who covers us downgrades our stock, or if we fail to meet the expectations of one or more of these analysts, our stock price would likely decline. If one or more of these analysts ceases to cover us or fails to regularly publish reports on us, interest in our stock could decrease, which could cause our stock price or trading volume to decline.

If we fail to maintain proper and effective internal control over financial reporting, our ability to produce accurate and timely financial statements could be impaired, investors may lose confidence in our financial reporting and the trading price of our common stock may decline.

Pursuant to Section 404 of Sarbanes-Oxley, our management will be required to report upon the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting beginning with the second annual report following the completion of this offering. When we lose our status as an “emerging growth company” and do not otherwise qualify as a “smaller reporting company” with less than \$100.0 million in annual revenue, our independent registered public accounting firm will be required to attest to the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting. The rules governing the standards that must be met for our management to assess our internal control over financial reporting are complex and require significant documentation, testing and possible remediation. To comply with the requirements of being a reporting company under the Exchange Act, we may need to upgrade our information technology systems; implement additional financial and management controls, reporting systems and procedures; and hire additional accounting and finance staff. If we or, if required, our auditors are unable to conclude that our internal control over financial reporting is effective, investors may lose confidence in our financial reporting and the trading price of our common stock may decline.

We cannot assure you that there will not be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in our internal control over financial reporting in the future. Any failure to maintain internal control over financial reporting could severely inhibit our ability to accurately report our financial condition, results of operations or cash flows. If we are unable to conclude that our internal control over financial reporting is effective, or if our independent registered public accounting firm determines we have a material weakness or significant deficiency in our internal control over financial reporting once that firm begins its Section 404 reviews, investors may lose confidence in the accuracy and completeness of our financial reports, the market price of our common stock could decline, and we could be subject to sanctions or investigations by Nasdaq, the SEC or other regulatory authorities. Failure to remedy any material weakness in our internal control over financial reporting, or to implement or maintain other effective control systems required of public companies, could also restrict our future access to the capital markets.

We could be subject to securities class action litigation.

In the past, securities class action litigation has often been brought against a company following a decline in the market price of its securities. This risk is especially relevant for us because biotechnology and biopharmaceutical companies have experienced significant stock price volatility in recent years. If we face such litigation, even if ultimately decided in our favor, it could result in substantial costs and a diversion of our management’s attention and resources, which could harm our business.

SPECIAL NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus contains forward-looking statements about us and our industry. All statements other than statements of historical facts contained in this prospectus, including statements regarding our future results of operations and financial position, business strategy, research and development plans, the anticipated timing, costs, design and conduct of our ongoing and planned clinical trials and preclinical studies for cretostimogene and any future product candidates, the timing and likelihood of regulatory filings and approvals for cretostimogene and any future product candidates, our ability to commercialize cretostimogene and any future product candidates, if approved, the pricing and reimbursement of cretostimogene and any future product candidates, if approved, the potential to develop future product candidates, the potential benefits of strategic collaborations and potential to enter into any future strategic arrangements, the timing and likelihood of success, plans and objectives of management for future operations, and future results of anticipated product development efforts, are forward-looking statements. These statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other important factors that may cause our actual results, performance or achievements to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements.

In some cases, you can identify forward-looking statements by terms such as “may,” “will,” “should,” “expect,” “plan,” “anticipate,” “could,” “intend,” “target,” “project,” “contemplates,” “believes,” “estimates,” “predicts,” “potential” or “continue” or the negative of these terms or other similar expressions. The forward-looking statements in this prospectus are only predictions. We have based these forward-looking statements largely on our current expectations and projections about future events and financial and other trends that we believe may affect our business, financial condition and results of operations. These forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this prospectus and are subject to a number of risks, uncertainties and assumptions described under the sections titled “Risk Factors” and “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations” and elsewhere in this prospectus. Because forward-looking statements are inherently subject to risks and uncertainties, some of which cannot be predicted or quantified and some of which are beyond our control, you should not rely on these forward-looking statements as predictions of future events. The events and circumstances reflected in our forward-looking statements may not be achieved or occur and actual results could differ materially from those projected in the forward-looking statements. Moreover, we operate in an evolving environment. New risk factors and uncertainties may emerge from time to time, and it is not possible for management to predict all risk factors and uncertainties. Except as required by applicable law, we undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements contained herein, whether as a result of any new information, future events, changed circumstances or otherwise. You should, however, review the factors and risks we describe in the reports we will file from time to time with the SEC after the date of this prospectus. See the section titled “Where You Can Find More Information.”

In addition, statements that “we believe” and similarly qualified statements reflect our beliefs and opinions on the relevant subject. These statements are based upon information available to us as of the date of this prospectus, and while we believe such information forms a reasonable basis for such statements, such information may be limited or incomplete, and our statements should not be read to indicate that we have conducted an exhaustive inquiry into, or review of, all potentially available relevant information. These statements are inherently uncertain and you are cautioned not to rely unduly upon them.

MARKET AND INDUSTRY DATA

We obtained the industry, market and competitive position data used throughout this prospectus from our own internal estimates and research, as well as from independent market research, industry and general publications and surveys, governmental agencies and publicly available information in addition to research, surveys and studies conducted by third parties. The content of these third-party sources, except to the extent specifically set forth in this prospectus, does not constitute a portion of this prospectus and is not incorporated herein. Internal estimates are derived from publicly available information released by industry analysts and third-party sources, our internal research and our industry experience, and are based on assumptions made by us based on such data and our knowledge of our industry and market, which we believe to be reasonable. In some cases, we do not expressly refer to the sources from which this data is derived. In that regard, when we refer to one or more sources of this type of data in any paragraph, you should assume that other data of this type appearing in the same paragraph is derived from the same sources, unless otherwise expressly stated or the context otherwise requires.

In addition, while we are responsible for all of the disclosure contained in this prospectus and we believe the industry, market and competitive position data included in this prospectus is reliable and based on reasonable assumptions, such data involve risks and uncertainties and are subject to change based on various factors, including those discussed in the sections titled “Risk Factors” and “Special Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements.” These and other factors could cause results to differ materially from those expressed in the estimates made by the independent parties or by us.

USE OF PROCEEDS

We estimate that the net proceeds to us from this offering will be approximately \$181.1 million (or approximately \$209.0 million if the underwriters exercise their over-allotment option in full), based on the assumed initial public offering price of \$17.00 per share, which is the midpoint of the price range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, and after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us.

Each \$1.00 increase or decrease in the assumed initial public offering price of \$17.00 per share, which is the midpoint of the price range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, would increase or decrease, as applicable, the net proceeds to us from this offering by approximately \$11.0 million, assuming the number of shares offered by us, as set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, remains the same and after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us. Similarly, each increase or decrease of 1.0 million shares in the number of shares of common stock offered by us would increase or decrease, as applicable, the net proceeds to us from this offering, after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us, by approximately \$15.8 million, assuming the assumed initial public offering price stays the same. The information discussed above is illustrative only and will adjust based on the actual initial public offering price and other terms of this offering determined at pricing.

Combined with our cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities as of January 1, 2024, this additional \$181.1 million will provide for capital resources of approximately \$368.7 million. This estimate of our capital resources was prepared by management based upon internal reporting, is preliminary and unaudited, and may be revised as a result of management's further review of our results as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, as well as the actual net proceeds received from this offering. We have not yet completed our normal audit procedures as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023.

The principal purposes of this offering are to obtain additional capital to support our operations, to create a public market for our common stock and to facilitate our future access to the public equity markets. We currently intend to use approximately \$155.0 million of the net proceeds from this offering, together with our existing cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities, to fund the research and development of cretostimogene, including certain manufacturing activities, and the remainder, if any, for working capital and other general corporate purposes, including pre-commercial activities. We expect the net proceeds from this offering and our existing cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities will allow us to complete the ongoing BOND-003 and CORE-001 clinical trials, complete enrollment for the PIVOT-006 clinical trial, and initiate and report topline data for our planned CORE-008 clinical trial.

We may also use a portion of the remaining net proceeds and our existing cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities to in-license, acquire, or invest in complementary businesses, technologies, products or assets. However, we have no current commitments or obligations to do so.

We believe, based on our current operating plan, that the net proceeds from this offering, together with our existing cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities, will be sufficient to fund our operations into the second half of 2027. We have based these estimates on assumptions that may prove to be wrong, and we could use our capital resources sooner than we currently expect. Additionally, our expected use of existing cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities and our net proceeds from this offering represent our intentions based upon our current plans and business conditions, which could change in the future as our plans and business conditions evolve. The amounts and timing of our actual expenditures may vary significantly depending on numerous factors, including the progress and costs of our development activities, the status of and results from clinical trials, as well as the progress of any current or future collaborations that we may enter into with third parties for cretostimogene and any future product candidates, and the amount of cash used in our operations and any unforeseen cash needs as well as other factors described in the sections titled "Risk Factors," "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and "Special Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements." The net proceeds from this offering, together with our

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existing cash, cash equivalents, and marketable securities will not be sufficient to complete development in all potential indications of cretostimogene and any future product candidates, and after this offering, we will require substantial capital in order to advance cretostimogene and any future product candidates through clinical trials, regulatory approval and commercialization. Until such time, if ever, as we can generate substantial product revenue, we expect to finance our cash needs through equity offerings, debt financings, or other capital sources, including potential collaborations, licenses and other similar arrangements. However, we may be unable to raise additional funds or enter into such other arrangements when needed on favorable terms or at all.

Our management will have broad discretion in the application of the net proceeds from this offering, and investors will be relying on the judgment of our management regarding the application of those net proceeds. The timing and amount of our actual expenditures will be based on many factors, including the anticipated growth of our business. Pending the uses described above, we plan to invest the net proceeds in a variety of capital preservation instruments, including short-term, interest-bearing obligations, investment-grade instruments, certificates of deposit and direct or guaranteed obligations of the United States.

DIVIDEND POLICY

We have never declared or paid any cash dividends on our capital stock. We currently intend to retain future earnings, if any, to finance the operation of our business and do not anticipate paying any cash dividends on our capital stock in the foreseeable future. Any future determination related to our dividend policy will be made at the discretion of our board of directors after considering our financial condition, results of operations, current and anticipated capital requirements, business prospects and other factors our board of directors deems relevant, and subject to applicable laws and the restrictions contained in any future financing instruments.

CAPITALIZATION

The following table sets forth our cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities and capitalization as of September 30, 2023:

- on an actual basis;
- on a pro forma basis to reflect (i) the automatic conversion of all outstanding shares of our redeemable convertible preferred stock into 38,413,913 shares of our common stock and the related reclassification of the carrying value of the redeemable convertible preferred stock to permanent equity immediately prior to the closing of this offering, and (ii) the filing and effectiveness of our amended and restated certificate of incorporation immediately prior to the closing of this offering; and
- on a pro forma as adjusted basis to give further effect to our issuance and sale of 11,800,000 shares of our common stock in this offering at an assumed initial public offering price of \$17.00 per share, which is the midpoint of the price range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us.

The pro forma and pro forma as adjusted information below is illustrative only, and our cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities and capitalization following the closing of this offering will be adjusted based on the actual initial public offering price and other terms of this offering determined at pricing. You should read this information in conjunction with our financial statements and related notes included in this prospectus and the section titled “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations” and other financial information contained in this prospectus.

	As of September 30, 2023		
	Actual	Pro Forma	Pro Forma As Adjusted ⁽¹⁾
	(in thousands, except par value and share data)		
Cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities	\$ 203,749	\$ 203,749	\$ 384,807
Redeemable convertible preferred stock, \$0.0001 par value; 337,928,674 shares authorized, issued and outstanding, actual; no shares authorized, issued and outstanding, pro forma, and pro forma as adjusted	\$ 307,890	\$ —	\$ —
Stockholders’ (deficit) equity:			
Preferred stock, \$0.0001 par value; no shares authorized, issued and outstanding, actual; 70,000,000 shares authorized and no shares issued and outstanding, pro forma and pro forma as adjusted			
Common stock, \$0.0001 par value; 493,530,000 shares authorized, 5,068,598 shares issued and outstanding, actual; 700,000,000 shares authorized, 43,482,511 shares issued and outstanding, pro forma; 700,000,000 shares authorized, 55,282,511 shares issued and outstanding, pro forma as adjusted	1	4	6
Additional paid-in capital	5,802	313,689	494,745
Accumulated deficit	(113,826)	(113,826)	(113,826)
Total stockholders’ (deficit) equity	\$ (108,023)	\$ 199,867	\$ 380,925
Total capitalization	\$ 199,867	\$ 199,867	\$ 380,925

(1) Each \$1.00 increase or decrease in the assumed initial public offering price of \$17.00 per share, which is the midpoint of the price range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, would increase or decrease, as applicable, the pro forma as adjusted amount of each

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of our cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities, additional paid-in capital, total stockholders' (deficit) equity and total capitalization by approximately \$11.0 million, assuming that the number of shares offered by us, as set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, remains the same and after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us. Each increase or decrease of 1.0 million shares in the number of shares offered by us at the assumed initial public offering price of \$17.00 per share would increase or decrease, as applicable, the pro forma as adjusted amount of each of our cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities, additional paid-in capital, total stockholders' (deficit) equity and total capitalization by approximately \$15.8 million, after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us.

If the underwriters' over-allotment option is exercised in full, our pro forma as adjusted cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities, additional paid-in capital, total stockholders' (deficit) equity, and total capitalization as of September 30, 2023, would be \$412.8 million, \$522.7 million, \$408.9 million, and \$408.9 million, respectively.

The number of shares of our common stock issued and outstanding, pro forma and pro forma as adjusted, in the table above is based on 43,482,511 shares of our common stock outstanding as of September 30, 2023, after giving effect to the automatic conversion of all outstanding shares of our redeemable convertible preferred stock into 38,413,913 shares of our common stock immediately prior to the closing of this offering, and excludes:

- 4,688,990 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of stock options outstanding as of September 30, 2023, with a weighted-average exercise price of \$3.05 per share;
- 1,029,871 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of stock options granted subsequent to September 30, 2023, with a weighted-average exercise price of \$8.57 per share;
- 494,807 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of the IPO Grants to be granted in connection with this offering under our 2024 Plan, which will become effective in connection with this offering, to certain of our employees at an exercise price equal to the initial public offering price in this offering;
- a number of shares of our common stock reserved for future issuance under our 2024 Plan (which number includes the IPO Grants), which will become effective in connection with this offering, which will equal the sum of (1) a number of shares equal to 10% of the number of fully-diluted shares of our common stock upon the closing of this offering (calculated on an as-converted basis after giving effect to the number of shares of common stock to be sold in this offering and assuming the exercise in full of the underwriters' over-allotment option and including shares subject to outstanding equity awards and the share reserves under the 2024 Plan and the ESPP), plus (2) 124,136 shares of common stock remaining available for future issuance under our 2022 Plan as of the effectiveness of the 2024 Plan, which shares will be added to the share reserve under the 2024 Plan upon its effectiveness, plus (3) any potential evergreen increases pursuant to the terms of the 2024 Plan; and
- a number of shares of our common stock reserved for future issuance under our ESPP, which will become effective in connection with this offering, which will equal the sum of (1) a number of shares equal to 1% of the number of fully-diluted shares of our common stock upon the closing of this offering (calculated on an as-converted basis after giving effect to the number of shares of common stock to be sold in this offering and assuming the exercise in full of the underwriters' over-allotment option and including shares subject to outstanding equity awards and the share reserves under the 2024 Plan and the ESPP), plus (2) any potential evergreen increases pursuant to the terms of the ESPP.

DILUTION

If you invest in our common stock in this offering, your ownership interest will be immediately and substantially diluted to the extent of the difference between the initial public offering price per share and the pro forma as adjusted net tangible book value per share of our common stock immediately after this offering.

As of September 30, 2023, our historical net tangible book value (deficit) was \$(108.0) million, or \$(21.31) per share of our common stock, based on 5,068,598 shares of common stock issued and outstanding as of such date. Our historical net tangible book value per share represents total tangible assets less total liabilities and redeemable convertible preferred stock, which is not included within permanent equity, divided by the number of shares of common stock outstanding at September 30, 2023.

On a pro forma basis, after giving effect to the automatic conversion of all outstanding shares of our redeemable convertible preferred stock into 38,413,913 shares of our common stock and the related reclassification of the carrying value of the redeemable convertible preferred stock to permanent equity immediately prior to the closing of this offering, our pro forma net tangible book value as of September 30, 2023 would have been approximately \$199.9 million, or approximately \$4.60 per share of our common stock.

After giving further effect to the sale and issuance of 11,800,000 shares of our common stock in this offering at an assumed initial public offering price of \$17.00 per share, which is the midpoint of the price range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, and after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us, our pro forma as adjusted net tangible book value as of September 30, 2023 would have been approximately \$380.9 million, or approximately \$6.89 per share. This amount represents an immediate increase in pro forma as adjusted net tangible book value of approximately \$2.29 per share to our existing stockholders and an immediate dilution in pro forma as adjusted net tangible book value of approximately \$10.11 per share to new investors purchasing shares of common stock in this offering.

Dilution per share to new investors is determined by subtracting pro forma as adjusted net tangible book value per share after this offering from the initial public offering price per share paid by new investors. The following table illustrates this dilution (without giving effect to any exercise by the underwriters of their over-allotment option):

Assumed initial public offering price per share	\$17.00
Historical net tangible book value (deficit) per share as of September 30, 2023	\$ (21.31)
Pro forma increase in historical net tangible book value per share as of September 30, 2023 attributable to the pro forma adjustments described above	25.91
Pro forma net tangible book value per share as of September 30, 2023	4.60
Increase in pro forma net tangible book value per share attributable to new investors participating in this offering	2.29
Pro forma as adjusted net tangible book value per share after this offering.	6.89
Dilution per share to new investors participating in this offering	<u>\$10.11</u>

Each \$1.00 increase or decrease in the assumed initial public offering price of \$17.00 per share, which is the midpoint of the price range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, would increase or decrease, as applicable, the pro forma as adjusted net tangible book value per share after this offering by approximately \$0.20 per share, and dilution in pro forma as adjusted net tangible book value per share to new investors by approximately \$0.80 per share, assuming that the number of shares offered by us, as set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, remains the same and after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and the estimated offering expenses payable by us. Each increase or decrease of 1.0 million shares in the number of shares of common stock offered by us would increase or decrease, as applicable, our pro forma as adjusted net tangible book value per share after this offering by approximately \$0.16 per share and decrease or increase, as

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applicable, the dilution to investors participating in this offering by approximately \$0.16 per share, assuming that the assumed initial public offering price of \$17.00 per share remains the same, and after deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and the estimated offering expenses payable by us.

If the underwriters exercise their over-allotment option in full in this offering, the pro forma as adjusted net tangible book value after the offering would be approximately \$7.17 per share, the increase in pro forma as adjusted net tangible book value per share to existing stockholders would be approximately \$0.28 per share and the dilution per share to investors in this offering would be \$9.83 per share, in each case assuming an initial public offering price of \$17.00 per share, which is the midpoint of the price range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus.

The dilution information above is for illustration purposes only. Our pro forma as adjusted net tangible book value following the closing of this offering will depend on the actual initial public offering price and other terms of this offering determined at pricing.

The following table summarizes on the pro forma as adjusted basis described above, as of September 30, 2023, the differences between the number of shares purchased from us, the total consideration paid to us in cash and the weighted-average price per share paid by existing stockholders for shares issued prior to this offering and the price to be paid by new investors in this offering. The calculations below are based on an assumed initial public offering price of \$17.00 per share, the midpoint of the price range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, before deducting the estimated underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us.

	<u>Shares Purchased</u>		<u>Total Consideration</u>		<u>Weighted-Average Price Per Share</u>
	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percent</u>	
Existing stockholders before this offering	43,482,511	78.7%	\$310,284,602	60.7%	\$ 7.14
New investors participating in this offering	11,800,000	21.3%	\$200,600,000	39.3%	\$ 17.00
Total	<u>55,282,511</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>\$510,884,602</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	

If the underwriters exercise their over-allotment option in full:

- the percentage of shares of common stock held by existing stockholders will decrease to approximately 76.2% of the total number of shares of our common stock outstanding after this offering; and
- the number of shares held by new investors participating in this offering will increase to 13,570,000, or approximately 23.8% of the total number of shares of our common stock outstanding after this offering.

The foregoing tables and calculations (other than the historical net tangible book value calculations) are based on 43,482,511 shares of our common stock outstanding as of September 30, 2023, after giving effect to the automatic conversion of all outstanding shares of our redeemable convertible preferred stock into 38,413,913 shares of our common stock immediately prior to the closing of this offering, and excludes:

- 4,688,990 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of outstanding stock options as of September 30, 2023, with a weighted-average exercise price of \$3.05 per share;
- 1,029,871 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of stock options subsequent to September 30, 2023, with a weighted-average exercise price of \$8.57 per share;
- 494,807 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of the IPO Grants to be granted in connection with this offering under our 2024 Plan, which will become effective in connection with this offering, to certain of our employees at an exercise price equal to the initial public offering price in this offering;

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- a number of shares of our common stock reserved for future issuance under our 2024 Plan (which number includes the IPO Grants), which will become effective in connection with this offering, which will equal the sum of (1) a number of shares equal to 10% of the number of fully-diluted shares of our common stock upon the closing of this offering (calculated on an as-converted basis after giving effect to the number of shares of common stock to be sold in this offering and assuming the exercise in full of the underwriters' over-allotment option and including shares subject to outstanding equity awards and the share reserves under the 2024 Plan and the ESPP), plus (2) 124,136 shares of common stock remaining available for future issuance under our 2022 Plan as of the effectiveness of the 2024 Plan, which shares will be added to the share reserve under the 2024 Plan upon its effectiveness, plus (3) any potential evergreen increases pursuant to the terms of the 2024 Plan; and
- a number of shares of our common stock reserved for future issuance under our ESPP, which will become effective in connection with this offering, which will equal the sum of (1) a number of shares equal to 1% of the number of fully-diluted shares of our common stock upon the closing of this offering (calculated on an as-converted basis after giving effect to the number of shares of common stock to be sold in this offering and assuming the exercise in full of the underwriters' over-allotment option and including shares subject to outstanding equity awards and the share reserves under the 2024 Plan and the ESPP), plus (2) any potential evergreen increases pursuant to the terms of the ESPP.

To the extent any outstanding options are exercised, new options or other equity awards are issued under our equity incentive plans, or we issue additional equity or convertible securities in the future, there will be further dilution to new investors participating in this offering.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

You should read the following discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations together with our financial statements and the related notes included elsewhere in this prospectus. Some of the information contained in this discussion and analysis or set forth elsewhere in this prospectus, including information with respect to our plans and strategy for our business and related financing, and includes forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. As a result of many factors, including those factors set forth in the section titled "Risk Factors" our actual results could differ materially from the results described in or implied by the forward-looking statements contained in the following discussion and analysis. See also the section titled "Special Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements."

Overview

We are a late-stage clinical biopharmaceutical company focused on developing and commercializing a potential backbone bladder-sparing therapeutic for patients afflicted with bladder cancer. Our product candidate, cretostimogene, is initially in clinical development for the treatment of patients with high-risk NMIBC who are unresponsive to BCG therapy, the current standard-of-care for high-risk NMIBC. There is significant unmet need for treatments in these patients given the limitations of currently approved therapies and patient reluctance to undergo radical cystectomy, or the complete removal of the bladder. We are evaluating the safety and efficacy of cretostimogene as monotherapy in BOND-003, our ongoing Phase 3 clinical trial in high-risk BCG-unresponsive NMIBC patients. We have completed enrollment for this trial, reported interim data in November 2023 and expect to report topline data by the end of 2024. If successful, we believe that this trial could serve as the basis for a BLA submission to the FDA. We are also evaluating the use of cretostimogene when administered to this same patient population in combination with FDA-approved pembrolizumab in CORE-001, our ongoing Phase 2 clinical trial. Moreover, we intend to assess the safety and efficacy of cretostimogene in treating a range of other bladder cancer indications as an alternative to BCG therapy and in patients who are not categorized as BCG-unresponsive. We intend to evaluate the safety and efficacy of cretostimogene in: (1) intermediate-risk NMIBC patients following TURBT in our PIVOT-006 Phase 3 clinical trial; and (2) high-risk NMIBC patients in our planned CORE-008 open-label multi-cohort Phase 2 clinical trial. We believe cretostimogene, if approved, has the potential to serve as first-line therapy, thereby alleviating the current need to prioritize treatment recipients and ration administration of BCG given its significant market shortage.

Since our inception in 2010, we have focused substantially all of our resources on organizing and staffing our company, business planning, raising capital, establishing and maintaining our intellectual property portfolio, conducting research, preclinical studies, and clinical trials, establishing arrangements with third parties for the manufacture of cretostimogene, and providing general and administrative support for these operations. We do not have any products approved for sale and have not generated any revenue from product sales.

We have incurred significant operating losses and negative cash flows from operations since our inception. Our net losses were \$12.8 million and \$35.4 million for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2022, and \$27.1 million and \$32.5 million for nine months ended September 30, 2022 and 2023, respectively. As of September 30, 2023, we had an accumulated deficit of \$113.8 million. Substantially all of our net losses have resulted from costs incurred in connection with our research and development programs and, to a lesser extent, from general and administrative costs associated with our operations. We expect to continue to incur significant expenses and operating losses in the foreseeable future, and we anticipate these losses will increase substantially as we as we continue our development of, seek regulatory approval for, and potentially commercialize cretostimogene and potentially seek to discover and develop additional product candidates, utilize third parties to manufacture cretostimogene, hire additional personnel, expand and protect our intellectual property, and incur additional costs associated with being a public company. If we obtain regulatory approval for cretostimogene, we expect to incur significant expenses related to developing our commercialization capability to support product sales, marketing and distribution. Because of the numerous risks and uncertainties associated with pharmaceutical product development, we are unable to accurately predict the timing or amount of increased

expenses or when, or if, we will be able to achieve or maintain profitability. Even if we are able to generate product sales, we may not become profitable. If we do not become profitable or are unable to sustain profitability on a continuing basis, then we may be unable to continue our operations at planned levels and may be forced to reduce or terminate our operations.

To date, we have primarily funded our operations with proceeds from the sale of shares of our redeemable convertible preferred stock and previously outstanding term debt. Through December 31, 2022, we have received aggregate gross proceeds of approximately \$202.9 million from the sale of shares of our redeemable convertible preferred stock. In addition, through September 30, 2023, we have recognized \$25.0 million in research and collaboration revenue pursuant to our license and collaboration agreements. As of September 30, 2023, we had cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities of \$203.7 million. In July 2023, we received net proceeds of \$104.6 million from the sale of shares of our Series F redeemable convertible preferred stock. Our ability to generate any product revenue and, in particular, our ability to generate product revenue sufficient to achieve profitability, will depend on the successful development and eventual commercialization of cretostimogene and any future product candidates.

Based on our current operating plan, we estimate that our existing cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities as of the date of this prospectus, together with the estimated net proceeds from this offering, will be sufficient to fund our projected operating expenses and capital expenditure requirements into the second half of 2027. However, we have based this estimate on assumptions that may prove to be wrong, and our operating plan may change as a result of many factors currently unknown to us. In addition, we could utilize our available capital resources sooner than we expect.

We will not generate revenue from product sales unless and until we successfully complete clinical development and obtain regulatory approval for cretostimogene or any future product candidates, which we expect will take a number of years and may never occur. As a result, we will need substantial additional funding in addition to the net proceeds from this offering to support our continuing operations and pursue our growth strategy. Until such time as we can generate significant revenue from product sales, if ever, we expect to finance our operations through equity offerings, debt financings, or other capital sources, including current or potential future collaborations, licenses, and other similar arrangements. However, we may be unable to raise additional funds or enter into such other agreements or arrangements when needed on favorable terms, or at all. If we fail to raise capital or enter into such agreements or arrangements as, and when needed, we may delay, limit, reduce or terminate our product development or future commercialization efforts or grant rights to develop and market product candidates that we would otherwise prefer to develop and market ourselves, or even cease operations.

We do not own or operate, and currently have no plans to establish, any manufacturing facilities. We rely, and expect to continue to rely, on third parties for the manufacture of cretostimogene for clinical testing, as well as for commercial manufacture if we obtain marketing approval. In addition, we rely on third parties to package, label, store, and distribute cretostimogene, and we intend to rely on third parties for our commercial products if marketing approval is obtained. We believe that this strategy allows us to maintain a more efficient infrastructure by eliminating the need for us to invest in our own manufacturing facilities, equipment, and personnel while also enabling us to focus our expertise and resources on the development of cretostimogene.

License and Collaboration Agreements

Below is a summary of the key terms for certain of our license and collaboration agreements. For a more detailed description of these agreements, see the section titled “Business—License and Collaboration Agreements.”

Lepu License Agreement

In March 2019, we entered into a development and license agreement (the Lepu License Agreement) with Lepu, under which we granted an exclusive license to Lepu to develop, manufacture and commercialize

cretostimogene and/or DDM to treat and/or prevent cancer in the Lepu Territory. Lepu paid to us a one-time upfront payment of \$4.5 million, and Lepu is obligated to make regulatory milestone payments of up to \$2.5 million and commercial milestone payments of up to \$57.5 million. We are entitled to receive a high single-digit royalty on net sales of cretostimogene and/or DDM sold in the Lepu Territory, subject to a specified reduction. During the year ended December 31, 2021 and 2022, no revenue was recorded related to the Lepu License Agreement. During the nine months ended September 30, 2022 and 2023, zero and less than \$0.1 million in revenue was recorded related to the Lepu License Agreement, respectively.

Kissei License Agreement

In March 2020, and as amended September 2022, we entered into a license and collaboration agreement (the Kissei License Agreement) with Kissei, under which we granted to Kissei an exclusive license to certain intellectual property rights in Bangladesh, Bhutan, Brunei, Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Japan, South Korea, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan, Palau, Philippines, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Taiwan, Thailand and Vietnam (the Kissei Territory), for Kissei to develop and commercialize, but not manufacture, cretostimogene in combination with DDM (the Licensed Product) for all uses in oncology. Kissei paid to us a one-time upfront payment of \$10.0 million under the agreement. Kissei is obligated to make development milestone payments of up to \$33.0 million and commercial milestone payments of up to \$67.0 million. We have also agreed to pay Kissei a royalty on net sales of Licensed Product outside the Kissei Territory and outside the Lepu Territory, including on any U.S. sales, in a low-single digit percentage, subject to certain capped reductions. We are entitled to receive a royalty on net sales of Licensed Product in the Kissei Territory in the mid-twenties percentage, subject to certain capped reductions and offset rights. We are obligated to supply and Kissei will exclusively purchase its clinical and commercial requirements of Licensed Product from us. During the year ended December 31, 2021, we recorded \$10.0 million in milestone revenue and \$0.4 million in development income related to the Kissei License Agreement. During the year ended December 31, 2022, we recorded \$0.2 million in development income related to the Kissei License Agreement. During the nine months ended September 30, 2022 and 2023, \$0.2 million in revenue was recorded related to the Kissei License Agreement.

Components of Our Results of Operations

Revenue

Through September 30, 2023, we have recognized \$25.0 million in research and collaboration revenue through our license and collaboration agreements. We have not generated any revenue from the sale of products, however, and do not expect to generate any revenue from the sale of products in the foreseeable future, if at all. If our or our collaborators' development efforts for cretostimogene and any future product candidates are successful and result in regulatory approval, we may generate revenue in the future from product sales, payments from existing or potential future collaboration or license agreements with third parties, or any combination thereof.

Operating Expenses

Our operating expenses consist of (i) research and development expenses and (ii) general and administrative expenses.

Research and Development Expenses

Research and development (R&D) expenses consist primarily of external and internal costs incurred in performing clinical and preclinical development activities.

Our R&D expenses consist of:

- external costs incurred under agreements with CROs, contract manufacturers, consultants and other third parties to conduct and support our clinical trials and preclinical studies; and
- internal costs, including R&D personnel-related expenses such as salaries, stock-based compensation and benefits, as well as allocated facilities costs and dues and subscriptions.

We expense R&D costs as incurred. We currently only have one product candidate, cretostimogene. Therefore, since our inception, substantially all of our R&D costs were related to the development of cretostimogene. We track R&D expenses on an aggregate basis and not on an indication-by-indication or treatment setting-by-treatment setting basis.

Although R&D activities are central to our business model, the successful development of cretostimogene and any future product candidates is highly uncertain. There are numerous factors associated with the successful development of any product candidate such as cretostimogene, including future trial design and various regulatory requirements, many of which cannot be determined with accuracy at this time based on our stage of development. In addition, future regulatory factors beyond our control may impact our clinical development programs. Product candidates in later stages of clinical development generally have higher development costs than those in earlier stages of clinical development, primarily due to the increased size and duration of later-stage clinical trials. As a result, we expect our R&D expenses will increase substantially in connection with our ongoing and planned clinical and preclinical development activities in the near term and in the future. At this time, we cannot accurately estimate or know the nature, timing and costs of the efforts that will be necessary to complete the preclinical and clinical development of cretostimogene and any future product candidates. Our future R&D expenses may vary significantly based on a wide variety of factors such as:

- the number and scope, rate of progress, expense and results of our clinical trials and preclinical studies of cretostimogene and any future product candidates we may choose to pursue, including any modifications to clinical development plans based on feedback that we may receive from regulatory authorities;
- per patient trial costs;
- the number of trials required for approval;
- the number of sites included in the trials;
- the countries in which the trials are conducted;
- the length of time required to enroll eligible patients;
- the number of patients that participate in the trials;
- the number of doses that patients receive;
- the drop-out or discontinuation rates of patients;
- the potential additional safety monitoring requested by regulatory agencies;
- the duration of patient participation in the trials and follow-up;
- the cost and timing of manufacturing cretostimogene and any future product candidates;
- the costs, if any, of obtaining third-party drugs for use in our combination trials;
- the extent of changes in government regulation and regulatory guidance;
- the efficacy and safety profile of cretostimogene and any future product candidates;
- the timing, receipt, and terms of any approvals from applicable regulatory authorities; and
- the extent to which we establish additional collaboration, license, or other arrangements.

A change in the outcome of any of these variables with respect to the development of cretostimogene or any future product candidates could significantly change the costs and timing associated with the development of that product candidate. We may never succeed in obtaining regulatory approval for any product candidate.

General and Administrative Expenses

General and administrative expenses consist primarily of personnel-related expenses such as salaries, stock-based compensation and benefits, for our personnel in executive, legal, finance and accounting, human resources

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and other administrative functions. General and administrative expenses also include legal fees relating to patent and corporate matters and professional fees paid for accounting, auditing, consulting and tax services, as well as facilities-related costs not otherwise included in R&D expenses and other costs such as insurance costs and travel expenses.

We anticipate our general and administrative expenses will increase substantially in the future as we expand our operations, including increasing our headcount to support our continued R&D activities and preparing for potential commercialization of cretostimogene. We also anticipate we will incur increased accounting, audit, legal, regulatory, compliance, director and officer insurance, and investor and public relations expenses associated with operating as a public company.

Other (Expense) Income, Net*Interest (Expense) Income, Net*

Interest expense, net, consists of interest expense related to our previously outstanding term loan debt and interest income related to interest earned on our invested cash and cash equivalents and marketable securities balances. We expect our interest income will increase as we invest the cash received from the net proceeds from this offering.

Other (Expense) Income

Other (expense) income consists of miscellaneous items, such as the amortization of debt related costs and other items not related to our core operations.

Results of Operations**Comparison of the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2022 and 2023**

The following table summarizes our results of operations for the nine months ended September 30, 2022 and 2023 (in thousands):

	Nine Months Ended September 30,		Change
	2022	2023	
	(unaudited)		
Revenue:			
Research and collaboration revenue	\$ 191	\$ 203	\$ 12
Operating expenses:			
Research and development	21,371	29,837	8,466
General and administrative	4,751	6,883	2,132
Total operating expenses	26,122	36,720	10,598
Loss from operations	(25,931)	(36,517)	(10,586)
Other (expense) income, net:			
Interest (expense) income, net	(911)	4,084	4,995
Other (expense) income	(209)	(58)	151
Total other (expense) income, net	(1,120)	4,026	5,146
Net loss and comprehensive loss	\$ (27,051)	\$ (32,491)	\$ (5,440)

Research and Collaboration Revenue

Research and collaboration revenue was \$0.2 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2022, compared to \$0.2 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2023. The research and collaboration revenue

for the nine months ended September 30, 2022 and 2023 was generated through our license and collaboration agreements.

Research and Development Expenses

The following table summarizes our R&D expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2022 and 2023 (in thousands):

	Nine Months Ended September 30,		Change
	2022	2023	
	(unaudited)		
External clinical trial expenses	\$ 14,016	\$ 20,023	\$ 6,007
Personnel-related expenses	6,779	8,888	2,109
Facilities-related fees and other expenses	576	926	350
Total research and development expenses	<u>\$ 21,371</u>	<u>\$ 29,837</u>	<u>\$ 8,466</u>

R&D expenses were \$21.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2022, compared to \$29.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2023. The increase of \$8.4 million in R&D expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 was primarily due to three active clinical trials, with higher patient enrollment, an increase in CMC activities supporting the clinical trials, and an increase in headcount for R&D.

General and Administrative Expenses

The following table summarizes our general and administrative expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2022 and 2023 (in thousands):

	Nine Months Ended September 30,		Change
	2022	2023	
	(unaudited)		
Personnel-related expenses	\$ 2,472	\$ 3,674	\$ 1,202
Professional and consultant fees	1,882	2,761	879
Facilities-related fees and other expenses	397	448	51
Total general and administrative expenses	<u>\$ 4,751</u>	<u>\$ 6,883</u>	<u>\$ 2,132</u>

General and administrative expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2022 were \$4.8 million, compared to \$6.9 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2023. The increase of \$2.1 million in general and administrative expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 was primarily due to an increase in headcount and legal, accounting and consulting fees.

Other (Expense) Income, Net

Other (expense) income, net, for the nine months ended September 30, 2022 was a net expense of \$1.1 million compared to a net income of \$4.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2023. For the nine months ended September 30, 2022, interest expense, net and other (expense) income, net consisted of term loan interest expense, the final payment accretion and related amortization of \$1.2 million, offset by interest and other income of \$0.1 million. For the nine months ended September 30, 2023, other (expense) income, net primarily consisted of \$5.2 million in interest income related to higher marketable securities balances as a result of the net proceeds from our Series E and Series F redeemable convertible preferred stock financings in 2022 and 2023, respectively. This was partially offset by interest expense, net consisting of term loan interest of \$0.4 million and final payment accretion of \$0.7 million.

Comparison of the Years Ended December 31, 2021 and 2022

The following table summarizes our results of operations for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2022 (in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31,		Change
	2021	2022	
Revenue:			
Research and collaboration revenue	\$ 10,358	\$ 191	\$ (10,167)
Operating expenses:			
Research and development	18,319	29,029	(10,710)
General and administrative	4,645	6,408	(1,763)
Total operating expenses	22,964	35,437	(12,473)
Loss from operations	(12,606)	(35,246)	(22,640)
Other (expense) income, net:			
Interest expense, net	(451)	(1)	450
Other (expense) income	218	(196)	(414)
Total other (expense) income, net	(233)	(197)	36
Net loss and comprehensive loss	\$ (12,839)	\$ (35,443)	\$ (22,604)

Research and Collaboration Revenue

Research and collaboration revenue was \$10.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2021 compared to \$0.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2022. The decrease of \$10.2 million was due to a decrease in revenue generated through our license and collaboration agreements. During the year ended December 31, 2021, we recorded \$10.0 million in milestone revenue and \$0.4 million in development income related to the Kissei License Agreement. During the year ended December 31, 2022, we recorded \$0.2 million in development income related to the Kissei License Agreement.

Research and Development Expenses

The following table summarizes our R&D expenses for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2022 (in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31,		Change
	2021	2022	
External clinical trial expenses	\$ 12,421	\$ 19,314	\$ 6,893
Personnel-related expenses	5,520	8,966	3,446
Facilities-related fees and other expenses	378	749	371
Total research and development expenses	\$ 18,319	\$ 29,029	\$ 10,710

R&D expenses were \$18.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2021 compared to \$29.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2022. The increase of \$10.7 million in R&D expenses for the year ended December 31, 2022 was primarily due to an increase of \$6.9 million in clinical trial expenses related to higher CRO fees as patient enrollment increased and higher CMC and consultant and other third party expenses, an increase of \$3.4 million in personnel-related expenses due to increased headcount for R&D, and higher facilities-related, fees and other related costs of \$0.4 million.

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General and Administrative Expenses

The following table summarizes our general and administrative expenses for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2022 (in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31,		Change
	2021	2022	
Personnel-related expenses	\$ 2,179	\$ 3,310	\$ 1,131
Professional and consultant fees	2,065	2,478	413
Facilities-related fees and other expenses	401	620	219
Total general and administrative expenses	<u>\$ 4,645</u>	<u>\$ 6,408</u>	<u>\$ 1,763</u>

General and administrative expenses were \$4.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2021 compared to \$6.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2022. The increase of \$1.8 million in general and administrative expenses for the year ended December 31, 2022 was primarily due to an increase in personnel-related expenses of \$1.2 million due to increased headcount, increased professional consulting fees related to legal fees, accounting and consulting fees of \$0.4 million and higher facilities-related, fees and dues and subscriptions costs of \$0.2 million.

Other (Expense) Income, Net

Other (expense) income, net, for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2022 was a net expense of \$0.2 million for each year. For the year ended December 31, 2021, interest expense, net of \$0.4 million, consisted primarily of interest expense and debt fee amortization. Other income (expense), net of \$0.2 million consisted of income related to the loan forgiveness under the Paycheck Protection Program of \$0.4 million offset by success fee expense of \$0.2 million. For the year ended December 31, 2022, interest expense, net and other (expense) income, net consisted of term loan interest expense, the final payment accretion and related amortization of \$1.8 million, offset by interest income of \$1.6 million related to marketable securities balances during the year.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Sources of Liquidity

Since our inception, we have not generated any revenue from product sales and have incurred significant operating losses and negative cash flows from operations. We expect to incur significant expenses and operating losses in the foreseeable future as we advance the clinical development of cretostimogene and any future product candidates. To date, we have primarily funded our operations with proceeds from the sale of shares of our redeemable convertible preferred stock, and previously outstanding term debt. Through September 30, 2023, we have received aggregate gross proceeds of \$307.9 million from the sale of shares of our redeemable convertible preferred stock. In addition, through September 30, 2023, we have recognized \$25.0 million in research and collaboration revenue through our license and collaboration agreements. As of September 30, 2023, we had cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities of \$203.7 million. In July 2023, we received net proceeds of \$104.6 million from the sale of shares of our Series F redeemable convertible preferred stock.

In January 2021, we entered into a loan agreement with Silicon Valley Bank for a term loan in three tranches. As of December 31, 2022, we had drawn down \$15.0 million in aggregate principal amount under the loan agreement. On May 12, 2023, we repaid all outstanding principal and accrued and unpaid interest under the loan agreement. See Note 11 to our financial statements and Note 10 to our unaudited condensed financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus for additional information.

Future Funding Requirements

We expect our expenses to increase substantially in connection with our ongoing activities, particularly as we continue our development of, seek regulatory approval for, and potentially commercialize cretostimogene and

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potentially seek to discover and develop additional product candidates, conduct our ongoing and planned clinical trials and preclinical studies, continue our R&D activities, utilize third parties to manufacture cretostimogene, hire additional personnel, expand and protect our intellectual property, and incur additional costs associated with being a public company.

Cash used to fund operating expenses is impacted by the timing of when we pay these expenses, as reflected in the change in our outstanding accounts payable, accrued expenses, and prepaid expenses. The timing and amount of our funding requirements will depend on many factors, including:

- the initiation, type, number, scope, progress, expansions, results, costs and timing of clinical trials and preclinical studies of cretostimogene and any future product candidates we may choose to pursue, including the costs of modification to clinical development plans based on feedback that we may receive from regulatory authorities and any third-party products used as combination agents in our clinical trials
- the costs, timing and outcome of regulatory meetings and reviews of cretostimogene or any future product candidates, including requirements of regulatory authorities in any additional jurisdictions in which we may seek approval for cretostimogene and any future product candidates;
- the costs of obtaining, maintaining, enforcing and protecting our patents and other intellectual property and proprietary rights;
- our efforts to enhance operational systems and hire additional personnel to satisfy our obligations as a public company, including enhanced internal control over financial reporting;
- the costs associated with hiring additional personnel and consultants as our business grows, including additional executive officers and clinical development, regulatory, CMC quality and commercial personnel;
- the timing and payment of milestone, royalty or other payments we must make pursuant to our existing and potential future license or collaboration agreements with third parties;
- the costs and timing of establishing or securing sales and marketing capabilities if cretostimogene or any future product candidate is approved;
- our ability to achieve sufficient market acceptance, coverage, and adequate reimbursement from third-party payors and adequate market share and revenue for any approved products;
- our ability and strategic decision to develop future product candidates other than cretostimogene, and the timing of such development, if any;
- patients' willingness to pay out-of-pocket for any approved products in the absence of coverage and/or adequate reimbursement from third-party payors;
- the terms and timing of establishing and maintaining collaborations, licenses and other similar arrangements; and
- costs associated with any products or technologies that we may in-license or acquire.

Based upon our current operating plan, we estimate that our existing cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities as of the date of this prospectus, together with the estimated net proceeds from this offering, will be sufficient to fund our projected operating expenses and capital expenditure requirements into the second half of 2027. However, we have based this estimate on assumptions that may prove to be wrong, and our operating plan may change as a result of many factors currently unknown to us. In addition, we could utilize our available capital resources sooner than we expect.

We have no other committed sources of capital. Until such time, if ever, we can generate substantial product revenue, we expect to finance our operations through equity offerings, debt financings, or other capital sources,

including current or potential future collaborations, licenses, and other similar arrangements. However, we may be unable to raise additional funds or enter into such other arrangements when needed on favorable terms or at all. To the extent we raise additional capital through the sale of equity or convertible debt securities, your ownership interest will be diluted, and the terms of these securities may include liquidation or other preferences that adversely affect your rights as a common stockholder. Debt financing and preferred equity financing, if available, may involve agreements that include covenants limiting or restricting our ability to take specific actions, such as incurring additional debt, making acquisitions, engaging in acquisition, merger or collaboration transactions, selling or licensing our assets, making capital expenditures, redeeming our stock, making certain investments or declaring dividends. If we raise additional funds through collaborations or license agreements with third parties, we may have to relinquish valuable rights to our technologies, future revenue streams, research programs or product candidates, or grant licenses on terms that may not be favorable to us. If we are unable to raise additional funds through equity or debt financings when needed, we may be required to delay, limit, reduce or terminate our product development or future commercialization efforts or grant rights to develop and market product candidates that we would otherwise prefer to develop and market ourselves, or even cease operations.

Material Cash Requirements for Known Contractual and Other Obligations

Leases

We have entered into various non-cancelable operating leases for our corporate office. The leases have varying terms expiring between 2025 and 2026.

Research and Development Costs

We are continuing to invest in our cretostimogene clinical trials and have entered into contractual obligations with each clinical trial site. Each contract shall continue until the completion of the trial at that site. Our clinical trial costs are dependent on, among other things, the size, number and length of our clinical trials.

Other Capital Requirements and Additional Royalty Obligations.

We enter into agreements in the normal course of business with various vendors, which are generally cancellable upon notice. Payments due upon cancellation typically consist only of payments for services provided or expenses incurred, including non-cancellable obligations of service providers, up to the date of cancellation.

In addition to our obligation to make potential royalty payments under the Kissei License Agreement discussed above, we are also obligated to pay royalties and milestone payments to the initial supplier of a certain cell line we use to manufacture cretostimogene, in an amount less than 1% on the net sales of cretostimogene, worldwide. These royalty obligations last for as long as we use the certain cell line to manufacture cretostimogene. The timing of when our royalty payments will actually be made is uncertain as the payments are contingent upon future activities, including the successful development, regulatory approval and commercialization of cretostimogene.

Cash Flows

The following table provides information regarding our cash flows for the nine months ended September 30, 2022 and 2023 (in thousands):

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2022	2023
	(unaudited)	
Net cash used in operating activities	\$ (22,975)	\$ (29,618)
Net cash used in investing activities	(15)	(138,138)
Net cash provided by financing activities	62,994	89,886
Net increase (decrease) in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	<u>\$ 40,004</u>	<u>\$ (77,870)</u>

The following table provides information regarding our cash flows for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2022 (in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31,	
	2021	2022
Net cash used in operating activities	\$ (13,654)	\$ (29,804)
Net cash used in investing activities	(97)	(55,352)
Net cash provided by financing activities	15,446	119,692
Net increase in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	<u>\$ 1,695</u>	<u>\$ 34,536</u>

Operating Activities

During the nine months ended September 30, 2022, operating activities used \$23.0 million of cash, primarily resulting from our net loss of \$27.1 million, partially offset by non-cash charges of \$1.0 million, including stock-based compensation expense and amortization associated with the term loan final fees and net cash provided by changes in our operating assets and liabilities of \$3.1 million.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2023, operating activities used \$29.6 million of cash, primarily resulting from our net loss of \$32.5 million, partially offset by non-cash charges of \$1.6 million, including stock-based compensation expense and amortization associated with the term loan final fees and net cash provided by changes in our operating assets and liabilities of \$1.3 million.

During the year ended December 31, 2021, operating activities used \$13.7 million of cash, primarily resulting from our net loss of \$12.8 million and net cash provided by changes in our operating assets and liabilities of \$2.0 million, partially offset by non-cash charges of \$1.1 million, including stock-based compensation expense and amortization associated with the term loan final fees.

During the year ended December 31, 2022, operating activities used \$29.8 million of cash, primarily resulting from our net loss of \$35.4 million, partially offset by non-cash charges of \$1.2 million, including stock-based compensation expense and amortization associated with the term loan final fees and mark to market success fee and net cash used in changes in our operating assets and liabilities of \$4.4 million.

Investing Activities

During the nine months ended September 30, 2022, net cash used in investing activities was less than \$0.1 million, due to purchases of property and equipment.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2023, net cash used in investing activities was \$138.1 million, primarily due to purchases of marketable securities.

During the year ended December 31, 2021, net cash used in investing activities was \$0.1 million, due to purchases of property and equipment.

During the year ended December 31, 2022, net cash used in investing activities was \$55.4 million, primarily due to purchases of marketable securities.

Financing Activities

During the nine months ended September 30, 2022, net cash provided by financing activities was \$63.0 million, consisting of net proceeds from the Series E redeemable convertible preferred stock financing.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2023, net cash provided by financing activities was \$89.9 million, consisting of net proceeds from the issuance of Series F redeemable convertible preferred stock of \$104.6 million and the exercise of common stock options of \$1.8 million, offset by the payoff of the term loan debt of \$16.3 million and the deferred offering costs of \$0.2 million.

During the year ended December 31, 2021, net cash provided by financing activities was \$15.4 million, consisting primarily of net proceeds from term loan debt, proceeds from the PPP loan and proceeds from the exercise of common stock options.

During the year ended December 31, 2022, net cash used in financing activities was \$119.7 million, consisting of net proceeds from the issuance of Series E redeemable convertible preferred stock and the exercise of common stock options.

Critical Accounting Policies and Significant Judgments and Estimates

Our financial statements are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States. The preparation of our financial statements and related disclosures requires us to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, costs and expenses, and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities in our financial statements. We base our estimates on historical experience, known trends and events, and various other factors we believe are reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. We evaluate our estimates and assumptions on an ongoing basis. Our actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions.

While our significant accounting policies are described in more detail in Note 2 to our financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus, we believe the following accounting policies are those most critical to the judgments and estimates used in the preparation of our financial statements.

R&D Expenses and Related Prepaid and Accrued Expenses

As part of the process of preparing our financial statements, we are required to estimate our R&D expenses as of each balance sheet date. This process involves reviewing open contracts and purchase orders, communicating with our personnel to identify services that have been performed on our behalf, and estimating the level of service performed and the associated cost incurred for the service when we have not yet been invoiced or otherwise notified of the actual cost. We make estimates of our R&D expenses as of each balance sheet date based on facts and circumstances known to us at that time. The significant estimates in our R&D expenses include the costs incurred for services performed by our vendors in connection with services for which we have not yet been invoiced. We base our expenses related to R&D activities on our estimates of the services received and efforts expended pursuant to quotes and contracts with vendors that conduct R&D on our behalf. The financial terms of these agreements are subject to negotiation, vary from contract to contract, and may result in uneven payment flows.

There may be instances in which payments made to our vendors will exceed the level of services provided and result in a prepayment of the R&D expense. In accruing service fees, we estimate the time period over which services will be performed and the level of effort to be expended in each period. If the actual timing of the performance of services or the level of effort varies from our estimate, we adjust the accrual or prepaid expense accordingly. Advance payments for goods and services that will be used in future R&D activities are expensed when the activity has been performed or when the goods have been received rather than when the payment is made.

Although we do not expect our estimates to be materially different from amounts actually incurred, if our estimates of the status and timing of services performed differ from the actual status and timing of services performed, it could result in us reporting amounts that are too high or too low in any particular period. To date, there have been no material differences between our estimates of such expenses and the amounts actually incurred.

Stock-Based Compensation

We periodically grant equity-based payment awards in the form of stock options to employees, directors and non-employees and record stock-based compensation expenses for awards of stock-based payments based on their estimated fair value at the grant date. We recognize stock-based compensation expense for all equity-based payments, including stock options. Stock-based compensation costs are calculated based on the estimated fair value of the underlying option using the Black-Scholes option pricing model on the date of grant for stock options and recognized as expense in the accompanying statement of operations and comprehensive loss on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period, which is the vesting period. This model requires the use of highly subjective assumptions to determine the appropriate fair value of each equity-based payment award, including:

- *Fair Value of Common Stock.* See the subsection titled “—Determination of Fair Value of Our Common Stock” below.
- *Expected Volatility.* Since we are not yet a public company and do not have any trading history for our common stock, the expected volatility was estimated based on the historical volatilities of common stock of comparable publicly traded companies, for a look-back period commensurate with the expected term of the stock options. The comparable companies were chosen based on their size, stage of their life cycle or area of specialty. We will continue to apply this process until enough historical information regarding the volatility of our stock price becomes available.
- *Risk-Free Interest Rate.* The risk-free interest rate used is based on the published U.S. Department of Treasury interest rates in effect at the time of stock option grant for zero coupon U.S. Treasury notes with maturities approximating each grant’s expected term.
- *Expected Dividend Yield.* The expected dividend yield is zero as we have not paid dividends and do not anticipate paying a cash dividend in the foreseeable future.
- *Expected Term.* The expected term for options granted is calculated using the simplified method and represents the average time that options are expected to be outstanding based on the mid-point between the vesting date and the end of the contractual term of the award.

We recognize forfeitures related to stock-based compensation awards as they occur.

We classify stock-based compensation expense in the statement of operations in the same manner in which the award recipients’ payroll costs are classified or in which the award recipients’ service payments are classified. We expect to continue to grant equity-based awards in the future, and to the extent that we do, our stock-based compensation expense recognized in future periods will likely increase.

As of January 1, 2024, there was \$13.9 million of total unrecognized stock-based compensation expense related to our granted options, which we expect to recognize over a remaining weighted-average period of 3.36 years. The intrinsic value of all outstanding options as of January 1, 2024 was \$71.3 million based on the assumed initial public offering price of \$17.00 per share, which is the midpoint of the price range set forth on the cover of this prospectus, of which approximately \$24.5 million was related to vested options and approximately \$46.8 million was related to unvested options.

Determination of Fair Value of Our Common Stock

Given the absence of a public trading market to date, the fair value of our common stock has been determined by our board of directors at the time of each option grant, with input from management, considering contemporaneous independent third-party valuations of common stock, and our board of directors' assessment of additional objective and subjective factors that it believed were relevant and which may have changed from the date of the most recent valuation through the date of the grant, including: the prices at which we sold shares of our redeemable convertible preferred stock to outside investors in arms-length transactions, and the superior rights, preferences, and privileges of the redeemable convertible preferred stock relative to the common stock at the time of each grant; the progress of our company's R&D programs, including their stages of development, and our company's business strategy; operating and financial performance; the lack of liquidity of the common stock and trends in the broader economy and biotechnology industry also impact the determination of the fair value of the common stock; the likelihood of achieving a liquidity event for our company's securityholders, such as an initial public offering or a sale of the company, taking into consideration prevailing market conditions; the hiring of key personnel and the experience of management; and the analysis of initial public offerings and the market performance of peer companies in the biopharmaceutical industry, as well as completed mergers and acquisitions of public peer companies.

These independent third-party valuations were performed in accordance with the guidance outlined in the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants' Auditing and Valuation Guide, *Valuation of Privately-Held-Company Equity Securities Issued as Compensation* (the Guide). The methodology to determine the fair value of our common stock included estimating the fair value of the enterprise using a market approach, which estimates the fair value of a company by including an estimation of the value of the business based on guideline public companies under a number of different scenarios. The Guide identifies various available methods for allocating enterprise value across classes and series of capital stock to determine the estimated fair value of common stock at each valuation date.

In accordance with the Guide, we considered the following methods:

- *Current Value Method.* Under the current value method, once the fair value of the enterprise is established, the value is allocated to the various series of preferred and common stock based on their respective seniority, liquidation preferences or conversion values, whichever is greatest.
- *Option Pricing Method (OPM).* Under the OPM, shares are valued by creating a series of call options with exercise prices based on the liquidation preferences and conversion terms of each equity class. The estimated fair values of the redeemable convertible preferred stock and common stock are inferred by analyzing these options. This method is appropriate to use when the range of possible future outcomes is so difficult to predict that estimates would be highly speculative, and dissolution or liquidation is not imminent.
- *Probability-Weighted Expected Return Method (PWERM).* The PWERM is a scenario-based analysis that estimates value per share based on the probability-weighted present value of expected future investment returns, considering each of the possible outcomes available to us, as well as the economic and control rights of each share class.

Based on our early stage of development, the difficulty in predicting the range of specific outcomes (and their likelihood), and other relevant factors, a hybrid method computing the probability-weighted value across

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two scenarios: the Current Value Method scenario and the OPM scenario, was considered most appropriate for valuations prior to April 2023. For options granted after April 30, 2023, a hybrid method between the PWERM and OPM was used, where the equity value was probability-weighted across multiple scenarios but using the OPM to estimate the allocation of value within one or more of those scenarios, and in certain cases taking into account secondary sale transactions. This method was determined to be the most appropriate valuation methodology based on our stage of development and other relevant factors. In determining the estimated fair value of our common stock, our board of directors also considered the fact that our stockholders could not freely trade our common stock in the public markets. Accordingly, we applied discounts to reflect the lack of marketability of our common stock based on the weighted-average expected time to liquidity.

There are significant judgments and estimates inherent in the determination of the fair value of our common stock. These judgments and estimates include assumptions regarding our future operating performance, the time to complete an initial public offering or other liquidity event, and the determination of the appropriate valuation methods.

Once a public trading market for our common stock has been established in connection with the completion of this offering, it will no longer be necessary for our board of directors to estimate the fair value of our common stock in connection with our accounting for granted stock options or for any other such awards we may grant, as the fair value of our common stock will be determined based on the closing price of our common stock as reported on the date of grant on the primary stock exchange on which our common stock is traded.

The following table summarizes by grant date the number of shares subject to options granted from January 1, 2022 through the date of this prospectus, the per share exercise price of the options, the per share fair value of our common stock on each grant date and the per share estimated fair value of the options:

Grant Date	Number of Shares Subject to Options Granted	Per Share Exercise Price of Options	Per Share Fair Value of Common Stock on Grant Date	Per Share Estimated Fair Value of Options
February 2, 2022	98,936	\$ 1.82	\$ 1.82	\$ 1.15
February 28, 2022	42,502	\$ 1.82	\$ 1.82	\$ 1.15
April 20, 2022	27,380	\$ 1.82	\$ 1.82	\$ 1.24
May 26, 2022	84,425	\$ 1.82	\$ 1.82	\$ 1.24
October 19, 2022	594,754	\$ 2.29	\$ 2.29	\$ 1.63
December 14, 2022	34,143	\$ 2.29	\$ 2.29	\$ 1.63
March 15, 2023	46,754	\$ 2.29	\$ 2.29	\$ 1.63
June 14, 2023	884,432	\$ 3.72	\$ 3.72	\$ 2.67
August 15, 2023	1,385,838	\$ 5.06	\$ 5.06	\$ 3.72
October 9, 2023	615,622	\$ 6.68	\$ 6.68	\$ 4.87
November 20, 2023	104,876	\$ 7.82	\$ 7.82	\$ 5.63
December 13, 2023	309,373	\$ 12.59	\$ 12.59	\$ 9.06

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

We did not have, during the periods presented, and we do not currently have, any off-balance sheet arrangements, as defined in the rules and regulations of the SEC.

Recently Issued Accounting Standards

A description of recently issued accounting standards that may potentially impact our financial position, results of operations, and cash flows is included in Note 2 to our financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus.

Emerging Growth Company Status and Smaller Reporting Company Status

We are an emerging growth company, as defined in the JOBS Act. The JOBS Act permits an emerging growth company such as us to take advantage of an extended transition period to comply with new or revised accounting standards. We have elected to avail ourselves of such extended transition period, which means that when a standard is issued or revised and it has different application dates for public or private companies, we can adopt the new or revised standard at the time private companies adopt the new or revised standard and may do so until such time that we either (i) irrevocably elect to opt out of such extended transition period or (ii) no longer qualify as an emerging growth company. We may choose to early adopt any new or revised accounting standards whenever such early adoption is permitted for private companies. We will continue to remain an emerging growth company until the earliest of the following: (1) the last day of the fiscal year following the fifth anniversary of the date of the completion of this offering; (2) the last day of the fiscal year in which our total annual gross revenue is equal to or more than \$1.235 billion; (3) the date on which we have issued more than \$1.0 billion in nonconvertible debt during the previous three years; or (4) the date on which we are deemed to be a large accelerated filer under the rules of the SEC.

We are also a smaller reporting company as defined in the Exchange Act. We may continue to be a smaller reporting company even after we are no longer an emerging growth company. We may take advantage of certain of the scaled disclosures available to smaller reporting companies and will be able to take advantage of these scaled disclosures for so long as our voting and non-voting common stock held by non-affiliates is less than \$250.0 million measured on the last business day of our second fiscal quarter, or our annual revenue is less than \$100.0 million during the most recently completed fiscal year and our voting and non-voting common stock held by non-affiliates is less than \$700.0 million measured on the last business day of our second fiscal quarter.

Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risks

Interest Rate Risk

Our cash, cash equivalents, and marketable securities consist of cash held in readily available checking and money market accounts, as well as short-term debt securities. Our primary exposure to market risk is interest rate sensitivity, which is affected by changes in the general level of U.S. interest rates. However, because of the short-term nature of the instruments in our portfolio, a sudden change in market interest rates would not be expected to have a material impact on our financial condition or results of operations.

Under our investment policy, we invest in highly rated securities, issued by the U.S. government or liquid money market funds. We do not invest in financial instruments for trading or speculative purposes, nor do we use leveraged financial instruments. A hypothetical 10% change in interest rates would not have a material impact on the value of our cash, cash equivalents, marketable securities and cash flows.

Foreign Currency Exchange Risk

We are not currently exposed to significant market risk related to changes in foreign currency exchange rates. As we continue to develop our business, our results of operations and cash flows will likely be more affected by fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates, including the Euro and other currencies, which could adversely affect our results of operations. All of our employees and operations are currently located in the United States and our expenses are generally denominated in U.S. dollar. To date, we have not entered into any foreign currency hedging contracts to mitigate our exposure to foreign currency exchange risk. We do not believe that a hypothetical 10% increase or decrease in exchange rates during any of the periods presented would have had a material impact on our financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus.

Effects of Inflation

Inflation could affect us by increasing our cost of labor and R&D costs. We do not believe inflation has had a material effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations, or on our financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus.

BUSINESS

Overview

We are a late-stage clinical biopharmaceutical company focused on developing and commercializing a potential backbone bladder-sparing therapeutic for patients afflicted with bladder cancer. Our product candidate, cretostimogene, is initially in clinical development for the treatment of patients with high-risk Non-Muscle Invasive Bladder Cancer (NMIBC) who are unresponsive to Bacillus Calmette Guerin (BCG) therapy, the current standard-of-care for high-risk NMIBC. There is significant unmet need for treatments in these patients given the limitations of currently approved therapies and patient reluctance to undergo radical cystectomy, or the complete removal of the bladder. We are evaluating the safety and efficacy of cretostimogene as monotherapy in BOND-003, our ongoing Phase 3 clinical trial in high-risk BCG-unresponsive NMIBC patients. We have completed enrollment for this trial, reported interim data in November 2023 and expect to report topline data by the end of 2024. If successful, we believe that this trial could serve as the basis for a Biologics License Application (BLA) submission to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA). We are also evaluating the use of cretostimogene when administered to this same patient population in combination with FDA-approved pembrolizumab in CORE-001, our ongoing Phase 2 clinical trial. Moreover, we intend to assess the safety and efficacy of cretostimogene in treating a range of other bladder cancer indications as an alternative to BCG therapy and in patients who are not categorized as BCG-unresponsive, including our second Phase 3 clinical trial, PIVOT-006, evaluating adjuvant cretostimogene in intermediate-risk NMIBC patients following transurethral resection of the bladder tumor (TURBT). We believe cretostimogene, if approved, has the potential to serve as first-line therapy, thereby alleviating the current need to prioritize treatment recipients and ration administration of BCG given its significant market shortage.

Cretostimogene has shown clinical benefit and has been generally well-tolerated as both a monotherapy and in combination with other therapies in clinical trials to date. Interim data for BOND-003 was reported at the 24th Annual Meeting of Society of Urologic Oncology (SUO) on November 30, 2023. As of the October 5, 2023 efficacy data cutoff, 50 of the 66 (75.7%; 95% CI: 63-85%) evaluable patients achieved a complete response (CR), generally meaning no evidence of bladder cancer, at any time after the administration of cretostimogene. In addition, as of the data cutoff, 45 out of 66 (68.2%) patients achieved a CR at three months and 42 out of 66 (63.6%) patients achieved a CR at six months. Four out of 13 (30.8%) patients who did not achieve a CR at three months, and who were subsequently re-dosed with cretostimogene at three months demonstrated a CR at six months. Of those 50 patients who achieved a CR at any time, 42 out of 50 (84.0%) maintained their response for at least three months and 32 out of 43 (74.4%) maintained their response for at least six months. Seven patients had yet to reach the minimum duration of response (DOR) evaluation and were excluded from the assessment for durable CR lasting at least six months. A DOR is the length of time from the first response until the time the patient no longer meets the definition for a CR. Cretostimogene was generally well-tolerated in this trial as of the September 8, 2023 safety data cutoff, with mostly Grade 1 or Grade 2 adverse events reported and no Grade 3 or higher treatment-related adverse events (TRAEs) reported. There were no treatment discontinuations due to TRAEs and no deaths were reported. Two patients (1.8%) had serious adverse events (SAEs) including Grade 2 noninfective cystitis, which is the inflammation of the bladder not caused by a bacteria or other infectious agent, and Grade 2 clot retention, both of which resolved. In addition, in our ongoing open-label Phase 2 CORE-001 clinical trial of cretostimogene in combination with pembrolizumab in high-risk BCG-unresponsive NMIBC, 29 of the 34 (85%; 95% CI: 68-94%) patients evaluable as of the March 3, 2023 data cutoff achieved a CR after an initial induction course of therapy, with 82% (n=27/33) of patients maintaining a CR at six months, and 68% (n=17/25) of patients maintaining a CR at 12 months. Cretostimogene was generally well-tolerated in this trial as of the January 31, 2023 safety data cutoff, with one Grade 2 SAE (urinary retention) deemed related to cretostimogene and two Grade 3 serious SAEs related to pembrolizumab (adrenal insufficiency and immune-mediated hepatitis), all of which resolved. Cretostimogene has received fast track designation from the FDA for the treatment of BCG-unresponsive, high risk NMIBC patients with carcinoma in-situ with or without Ta or T1 papillary tumors to improve CR. We have presented the confidence interval (CI) for CR at any time above and elsewhere in this prospectus. CI is a range of values in which, statistically, there is a specified level of confidence where the result lies. It is conventional to set the CI at 95%, which means 95 of

100 times, the CI will contain the true value. The lower bound of the 95% CI around the observed CR rate provides support that such rate may be clinically meaningful. Interim results from these trials may differ from future results of the trials as more patient data become available. We intend to evaluate cretostimogene for use in a variety of bladder cancer treatment settings, as shown in our pipeline below.

Our Cretostimogene Pipeline

Indication	Clinical Trial Stage			Anticipated next milestones
	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	
BCG-unresponsive High-Risk NMIBC	Monotherapy			BOND-003 topline data by the end of 2024
BCG-unresponsive High-Risk NMIBC	In combination with pembrolizumab			CORE-001 additional durability data in the first half of 2024
Intermediate-Risk NMIBC	Monotherapy			Complete enrollment for PIVOT-006 in the first half of 2026
BCG-exposed and BCG-naïve High-Risk NMIBC	Monotherapy			Initiate CORE-008* in the second half of 2024

* Planned clinical trial to be conducted under existing Investigational New Drug application (IND) previously cleared by the FDA.

Our Strengths

We believe our product candidate is differentiated by several strengths that support our vision of cretostimogene as a potential backbone therapy in bladder cancer, including:

- Demonstrated monotherapy clinical utility and durability of response, with a 75.7% (95% CI: 63-85%) CR at any time, in addition to 74.4% of evaluable responders maintaining their response for at least six months as of October 5, 2023 in our ongoing Phase 3 BOND-003 cretostimogene monotherapy trial.
- Observed tolerability, with no Grade 3 or higher TRAEs or patient discontinuations due to TRAEs as of September 8, 2023 in our ongoing Phase 3 BOND-003 cretostimogene monotherapy trial.
- Cretostimogene is administered intravesically and uses a similar route of administration as standard-of-care BCG therapy which urology practices perform regularly. This is unlike some treatment procedures that require a urologist to perform a cystoscopic examination that involves local anesthesia.
- The potential for deploying cretostimogene in combination with other therapies due to its observed tolerability and novel mechanism of action, supported by 85% (95% CI: 68-94%) of patients having shown a CR at any time in our ongoing Phase 2 CORE-001 clinical trial of cretostimogene in combination with the checkpoint inhibitor (CPI) pembrolizumab as of March 3, 2023.
- Cretostimogene’s potential broad applicability across bladder cancer indications, beginning with high-risk BCG-unresponsive NMIBC, and expanding into intermediate-risk and BCG-exposed and BCG-naïve high-risk NMIBC, with potential incremental opportunity in muscle invasive bladder cancer (MIBC).

Bladder Cancer Overview

Bladder cancer is a heterogeneous disease and involves a number of different cancer sub-types, which can be segmented into NMIBC or MIBC. The American Cancer Society estimates that in 2023, more than 82,000 people will be diagnosed with bladder cancer and that the disease will result in nearly 17,000 deaths. An estimated 725,000 people in the United States are currently living with the disease. NMIBC, which accounts for approximately 75% of newly diagnosed patients, describes earlier-stage bladder cancer that has not spread to the muscle wall. NMIBC can be further stratified by its specific risk profile, with high-risk NMIBC patients, who make up approximately 40% of the NMIBC patient population, at an elevated probability of disease progression to more aggressive MIBC within five years of initial diagnosis. Patients with intermediate-risk disease account for approximately 30% of total NMIBC diagnoses.

Current treatment for high-risk NMIBC typically involves TURBT followed by the intravesical (IVE) delivery of BCG therapy to induce a non-specific anti-tumor immune response. This treatment protocol has demonstrated therapeutic benefit with nearly 70% of patients achieving a CR following an initial induction course of therapy. However, approximately 50% of these patients will experience a recurrence of the tumor and few treatment options are available for patients who become unresponsive to BCG treatment. While radical cystectomy is the current standard-of-care for BCG-unresponsive patients, only approximately 6% of NMIBC patients elect to undergo the procedure in light of the significant social, functional and emotional burden associated with it. Further complicating the treatment options available to NMIBC patients is the ongoing shortage of BCG which has restricted patient eligibility to high-risk BCG-naïve patients only. Even among these patients a significant number of newly-diagnosed, BCG-eligible, treatment-naïve patients in the United States may not receive sufficient BCG therapy, if at all. Moreover, patients with intermediate-risk NMIBC may not have access to BCG due to the shortage, despite the likely therapeutic benefit of earlier adjuvant BCG therapy, because high-risk patients are prioritized in line with guidance published by the National Comprehensive Care Network (NCCN) and guidance published jointly by the American Urological Association (AUA) and the SUO.

Instances of refractory and recurrence disease, patient aversion to cystectomy and the ongoing BCG supply constraints, have created a sizeable unmet medical need for alternative NMIBC therapeutics that are both safe and efficacious. Beyond our ongoing clinical trials in NMIBC, we also intend to initiate CORE-008, an open-label multi-cohort Phase 2 clinical trial designed to assess the safety and efficacy of cretostimogene when administered as monotherapy in high-risk NMIBC patients including BCG-exposed and BCG-naïve NMIBC patients. BCG-exposed patients are classified as those NMIBC patients with persistent, recurrent or progressive disease after BCG treatment but who do not meet the specific disease classification criteria requisite to be designated as BCG-unresponsive. BCG-naïve patients are classified as those NMIBC patients who have not received any prior BCG therapy.

In addition to NMIBC, we are also evaluating cretostimogene as a potential therapeutic to treat patients with MIBC. MIBC is a more aggressive form of bladder cancer than NMIBC and is associated with significantly higher mortality. In CORE-002, an ongoing single-arm exploratory investigator-sponsored clinical trial, cretostimogene is being evaluated in combination with the CPI nivolumab in MIBC patients ineligible for cisplatin chemotherapy prior to radical cystectomy.

Our Team and Investors

Our management team includes industry executives with extensive biopharmaceutical experience. Arthur Kuan, our Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, was a founding member of the Ally Bridge Group, a global healthcare-focused investment platform. Previously, Arthur was a member of Themes Investment Partners, a healthcare and life sciences-focused private equity fund. Our President and Chief Operating Officer, Ambaw Bellete, has over 30 years of industry experience, including serving as Chief Operating Officer for FerGene, the Ferring Pharmaceuticals subsidiary responsible for the development and commercialization of its bladder cancer treatment, nadofaragene. Ambaw was also the President of Photocure, a company focused on the diagnosis and

treatment of bladder cancer and has also held several global leadership positions with biotech and medical device companies. Our Chief Medical Officer, Vijay Kasturi, M.D., previously served as Vice President, Clinical Development and Medical Affairs with AVEO Pharmaceuticals and SVP of Scientific Affairs at FerGene where he led Medical Affairs, Clinical Operations, Regulatory and Clinical Development in connection with the nadofaragene program. Earlier, he led U.S. Medical Affairs, Oncology for EMD Serono, where he had broad leadership responsibilities including developing and managing the global medical strategy and launch plan for an anti-PD-L1 agent in bladder and kidney cancers. Our Chief Technical Officer, Swapnil Bhargava, Ph.D., has supported multiple INDs and BLAs and has contributed to bringing multiple modalities to the clinic and market. He was previously a Senior Vice President of CMC Development and GMP Manufacturing for Abcellera, leading Tech Ops. Prior to that, he was the VP for Drug Substance Process Development at Seagen, where he was responsible for leading cell line development, upstream, downstream and conjugation process development and analytical sciences departments for early and late-stage drug development. We believe the breadth and depth of experience amongst our management team will enable us to bolster the cretostimogene development strategy and, if approved, its commercialization.

In addition to the strength and experience of our leadership team, we believe we have a world class Chemistry, Manufacturing and Control (CMC) Advisory Board. The advisory board is chaired by Rick Rutter, Ph.D., who was previously the Executive Vice President of Biotherapeutics Pharmaceutical Sciences at Pfizer, responsible for Drug Substance and Drug Product Development for all macromolecules and vaccines in the Pfizer portfolio. Dan Takefman, Ph.D. was formerly the chief of the Gene Therapy Branch at the FDA. Dr. Takefman also headed regulatory activities at Spark Therapeutics from 2014 until its acquisition by Roche and oversaw the submission through regulatory approval of Luxturna (voretigene neparvovec). Richard Peluso, Ph.D. was the former Vice President of Biologics, Vaccines and Bioprocess R&D at Merck & Co (Merck), responsible for research and development for biologics and vaccines across the Merck portfolio. Victoria Sluzky, Ph.D., was the Senior Vice President of Technical Development at BioMarin, leading Global Quality and Process Sciences and facilitating implementation of global regulatory CMC strategy. We believe our CMC Advisory Board provides differentiated expertise in production and potential commercialization of cretostimogene.

We are backed by a strong set of healthcare-specific investors, including our 5% or greater stockholders, ORI Capital, Decheng Capital, Longitude Capital, Kissei Pharmaceutical Co., Foresite Capital Management and TCGX. Prospective investors should not rely on the investment decisions of our existing investors, as these investors may have different risk tolerances and strategies and have purchased their shares in prior offerings at prices lower than the price offered to the public in this offering. In addition, some of these investors may not be subject to reporting requirements under Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the Exchange Act), and, thus, prospective investors may not necessarily know the total amount of investment by each of the prior investors and if and when some of the prior investors decide to sell any of their shares. See the sections titled “Certain Relationships and Related Person Transactions” and “Principal Stockholders” for more information on prior purchases by and current holdings of these stockholders.

Our Strategy

We intend to become a leading company in the development and commercialization of innovative therapeutics to treat cancer, with an initial focus on bladder cancer. Key elements of our strategy to accomplish this objective include:

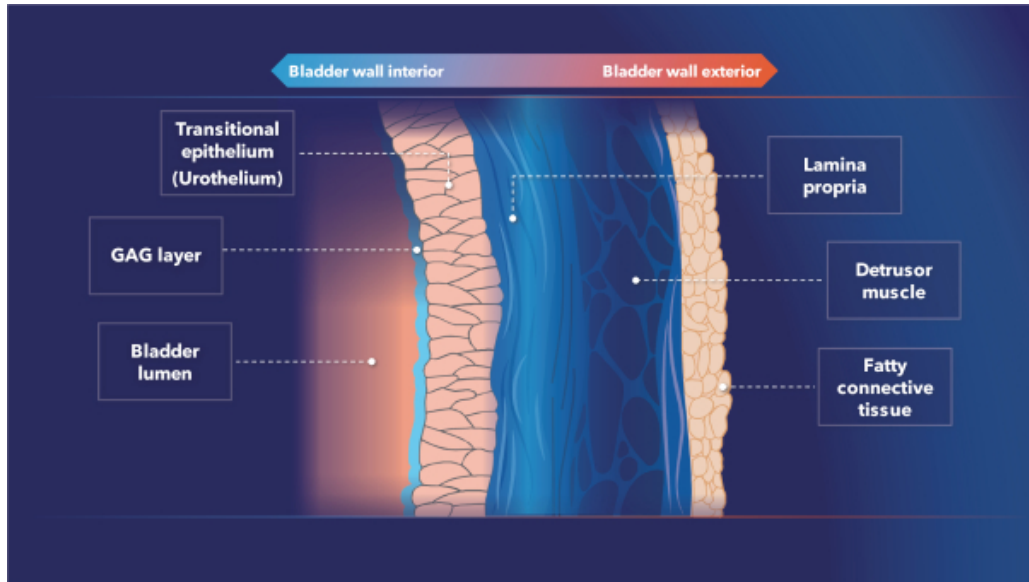
- **Complete the ongoing BOND-003 Phase 3 trial of cretostimogene as monotherapy in high-risk BCG-unresponsive NMIBC and pursue FDA approval.** We are evaluating the safety and efficacy of cretostimogene in BOND-003, our ongoing Phase 3 clinical trial. We have completed enrollment for this trial, reported interim data in November 2023 and expect to report topline data by the end of 2024. Given the significant unmet need in this indication, the FDA published guidance in 2018 that stated a single-arm clinical trial in patients with BCG-unresponsive NMIBC that assess CR rate as the primary endpoint, taking DOR into account, may be appropriate for full approval. Based on this guidance, we believe that, if successful, our BOND-003 trial could serve as the basis for a BLA submission to the FDA.

- **Expand the development of cretostimogene monotherapy as a potential backbone therapy across NMIBC indications.** In addition to evaluating cretostimogene in patients with high-risk BCG-unresponsive NMIBC, and in light of the significant and ongoing global shortage of BCG, we intend to evaluate the safety and efficacy of cretostimogene as an alternative to BCG therapy in additional bladder cancer indications, including: (1) patients diagnosed with intermediate-risk NMIBC, who would likely benefit from earlier therapeutic intervention but are currently lacking access to BCG therapy, in our PIVOT-006 Phase 3 clinical trial; and (2) patients with high-risk BCG-exposed and BCG-naïve NMIBC in our planned CORE-008 open-label multi-cohort Phase 2 clinical trial. Through expanding the clinical evaluation of cretostimogene across NMIBC indications, we will attempt to address the significant unmet need in treatment of bladder cancer, with over 82,000 new U.S. diagnoses per year and over 725,000 patients living with bladder cancer in the United States, according to the American Cancer Society. We believe cretostimogene, if approved, has the potential to serve as first-line therapy, thereby alleviating the current need to prioritize treatment recipients and ration administration of BCG given its significant market shortage.
- **Continue to evaluate cretostimogene in combination with other therapies, such as CPIs, to potentially further enhance its clinical utility across various stages of bladder cancer.** As of November 30, 2023, cretostimogene had been administered in over 270 patients with a broad range of NMIBC risk profiles across multiple clinical trials and has been generally well-tolerated with no Grade 4 or 5 TRAEs observed and no treatment-related study discontinuations deemed related to cretostimogene. Based on observed tolerability data to date, we plan to evaluate the safety and efficacy of cretostimogene in combination with other therapies in addition to our monotherapy trials. These include our ongoing Phase 2 CORE-001 trial in combination with pembrolizumab for BCG-unresponsive NMIBC, and CORE-002, an ongoing exploratory investigator-sponsored single arm clinical trial in combination with nivolumab in MIBC. We believe our approach to combine cretostimogene with other therapeutics across several bladder cancer indications may potentially enhance the potential utility of our product candidate beyond our core strategy of targeting intermediate- and high-risk NMIBC via cretostimogene monotherapy.
- **Build our operational capabilities to successfully commercialize cretostimogene.** If we obtain FDA regulatory approval for cretostimogene, we intend to build in-house sales and marketing capabilities to commercialize cretostimogene in the United States. While the number of patients suffering from bladder cancer is large and growing, a high volume of patients is concentrated in a small number of high value targets and a significant portion of large urology practices including academic urology practices that are concentrated in a relatively small number of major metropolitan areas. We believe this concentration will potentially enable us to efficiently reach a large portion of our addressable market with a relatively small commercial footprint. Importantly, urology practices are already deeply familiar with IVE delivery of BCG in NMIBC patients. Cretostimogene is similarly administered via IVE in the clinic setting by a nurse or medical assistant, and therefore does not require urologists nor anesthesia. We believe this could drive increased physician adoption and improve patient experience versus alternative treatments that require urology practices to learn an entirely new and unfamiliar procedure or to transfer them to a medical oncologist for treatment and follow-up.
- **Leverage our CMC expertise and relationships to scale commercialization efforts.** We have established in-house CMC expertise made up of individuals with oncolytic immunotherapy manufacturing experience, enhanced by an advisory board to help oversee our overall CMC strategic focus, while leveraging third parties for product manufacturing. We believe this approach will drive a high-yield manufacturing process capable of rapidly scaling to meet demand should cretostimogene receive FDA approval. We have established a world class CMC Advisory Board providing differentiated expertise in production and potential commercialization of cretostimogene. Our CMC Advisory Board represents former senior leadership from large pharmaceutical companies with deep experience in manufacturing at scale, as well as former FDA leadership. We believe our strategic CMC approach will potentially enable us to maintain an attractive cost of goods while rapidly achieving commercial scalability, if cretostimogene receives FDA approval.

Bladder Cancer

The human bladder, which functions in the storage and elimination of urine, is a hollow muscular organ composed of multiple tissue layers. As shown below, the inner wall of the bladder is the urothelium, or transitional epithelium. The interior space where urine collects is known as the bladder lumen. The internal side of the urothelium is lined by a glycosaminoglycan (GAG) membrane, which acts as a protective barrier from urine as well as infectious agents. Between the thick, detrusor muscular portion of the bladder wall and the urothelium is the lamina propria, which consists of connective tissue, blood vessels and nerves. A fatty connective tissue layer makes up the organ's exterior surface, facing the rest of the body.

The Anatomy of the Bladder Wall



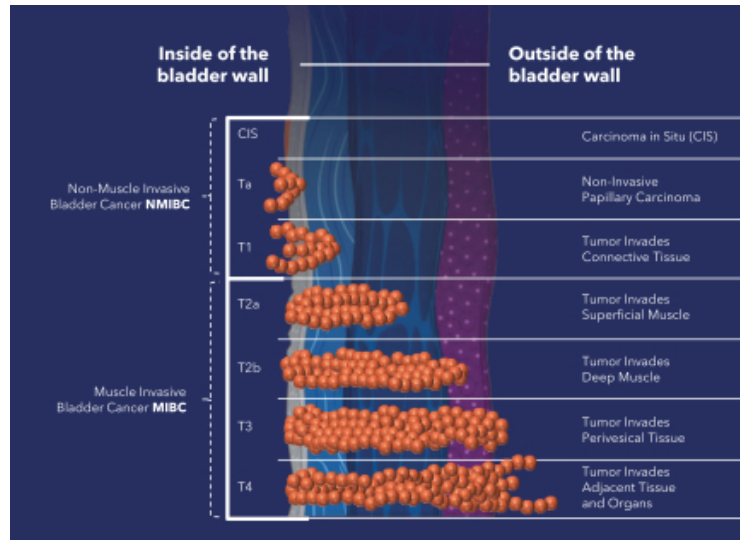
The American Cancer Society estimates that in 2023, more than 82,000 people will be diagnosed with bladder cancer in the United States and that it will result in nearly 17,000 deaths. Notable is the disease prevalence with an estimated 725,000 people in the United States living with the disease. The relatively high prevalence rate is driven in part by chances of recurrence, which can be very high for NMIBC. It is estimated that approximately 15% to 61% of high-risk patients with NMIBC will develop recurrence within one year following treatment and approximately 31% to 78% of people with NMIBC will develop recurrence or a secondary bladder cancer within five years following treatment, depending on risk-factors. Bladder cancer is the sixth most common form of cancer in the United States, and men account for three-quarters of newly diagnosed cases. Bladder cancer patients are generally from high-risk populations, with 74% of patients over 65 years old and a median age of 73 years old. The global bladder cancer treatment market has been forecast to be approximately \$9.9 billion by 2028, according to Evaluate Pharma.

Bladder cancer is a heterogeneous disease and involves a number of different cancer sub-types. In the United States, the vast majority of patients with bladder cancer, accounting for approximately 90% of all diagnoses, have urothelial carcinoma (UC). UC is further segmented into two subtypes, papillary and non-papillary. Papillary UC involves tumors configured as finger-like projections extending from the transitional epithelium into the bladder lumen. Non-papillary, or flat, UC, also known as carcinoma *in situ* (CIS), which means the cancer is confined to the transitional epithelium, is generally difficult to treat via resection. The 5% of

bladder cancer that is not UC includes squamous cell carcinomas, adenocarcinomas, sarcomas and small cell carcinomas.

NMIBC is often used to describe earlier stage disease that has not reached the muscle wall. NMIBC accounts for approximately 75% of newly diagnosed patients, and includes three stages: CIS-containing tumors, Ta and T1. Ta and T1 are papillary UCs which have not spread beyond the lamina propria. T2 through T4 stage make up MIBC, indicative of more aggressive locally advanced and metastatic disease. Bladder cancer has metastasized in an estimated 5% of patients with newly diagnosed disease. The graphic presented below illustrates the differences in disease progression represented by these stages.

Bladder Cancer is Classified as either NMIBC or MIBC.



NMIBC may be further differentiated by the risk of progression to MIBC. NMIBC patients with high-grade Ta or T1 stage cancer, any cancer containing CIS (which can occur in any grade of NMIBC or MIBC), and large volume or recurrent Ta stage tumors are considered to be high-risk tumors. Approximately 40% of patients with NMIBC have high-risk disease. Intermediate-risk NMIBC includes mostly low-grade Ta tumors that recur within 12 months, solitary low-grade Ta tumors greater than three centimeters, multifocal low-grade Ta tumors, or high-grade Ta tumors less than or equal to three centimeters. Intermediate-risk NMIBC accounts for an estimated 30% of patients with NMIBC. Low-risk NMIBC consists of low-grade solitary Ta stage tumors and makes up the remaining 30% of NMIBC cases.

Current Treatment for NMIBC and its Limitations

Regardless of risk stratification, treatment of NMIBC generally involves TURBT, a surgical procedure involving an instrument inserted through the urethra enabling the visual inspection and biopsy of the lesion along with removal of the cancerous cells allowing a patient with NMIBC to retain normal bladder function. Use of TURBT alone is associated with a five-year estimated recurrence rate of approximately 44% to 63%, and remains a backbone of early NMIBC treatment regimen. CIS-containing tumors cannot be resected using TURBT. Progression to a more advanced stage or grade subsequent to initial diagnosis is also commonly encountered. As such, in both high-risk and intermediate-risk NMIBC patients, surgical removal of NMIBC tumors through TURBT is often accompanied by the delivery of adjuvant BCG therapy or chemotherapy, through IVE delivery.

BCG therapy involves the use of a live, attenuated mycobacterium to induce a non-specific anti-tumor immune response in the bladder mucosa and provides meaningful therapeutic utility in the treatment of NMIBC.

The use of BCG therapy following TURBT has exhibited sustained anti-tumor activity, with nearly 70% of patients experiencing a CR after an initial induction course of therapy. Despite BCG’s effectiveness, there is a significant global shortage of BCG as described below. In addition, approximately 50% of these patients will experience a recurrence of the tumor and few treatment options are available for patients who become unresponsive to BCG treatment.

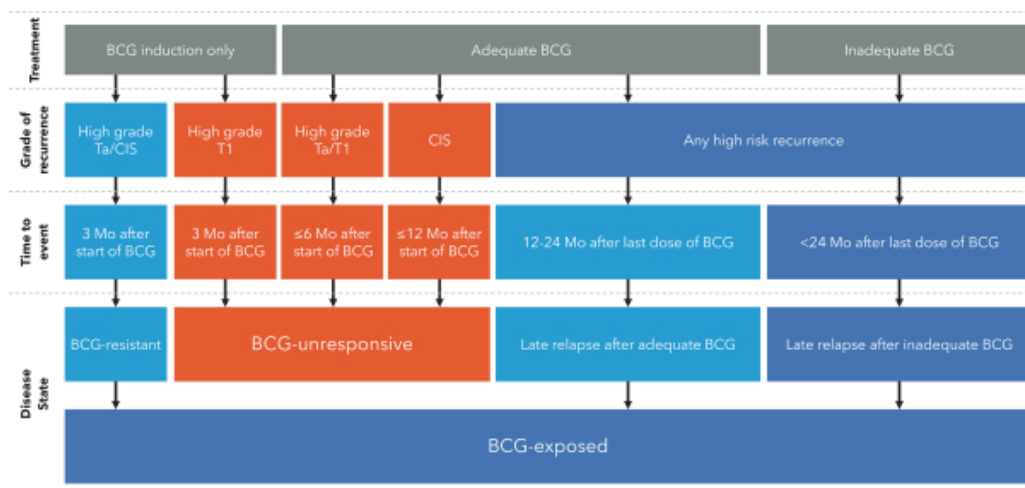
Patient Classification

NMIBC is a heterogeneous disease with significant variation in individual risk of recurrence and progression to MIBC. In clinical practice, patients fall on a spectrum of high-risk NMIBC extending from BCG-naïve NMIBC, which refers to patients who haven’t received BCG treatment, at one end to BCG-unresponsive NMIBC at the other. Numerous iterations of guidelines on disease classification have evolved over time, primarily from medical industry groups such as the AUA. In February 2018, the FDA published guidance titled “BCG-Unresponsive Nonmuscle Invasive Bladder Cancer: Developing Drugs and Biologics for Treatment,” in order to assist sponsors in the development of drugs, including biologics, for the treatment of BCG-unresponsive NMIBC patients. The FDA guidance provides disease-state definitions and advice on patient selection, risk stratification, and clinical trial design in the BCG-unresponsive NMIBC patient population.

According to the 2018 FDA guidance, BCG-unresponsive NMIBC is defined as being at least one of the following: (1) persistent or recurrent CIS alone or with recurrent Ta/T1 disease within 12 months of completion of adequate BCG therapy; (2) recurrent high-grade Ta/T1 disease within six months of completion of adequate BCG therapy; or (3) T1 high-grade disease at the first evaluation following an induction BCG course.

In this context, adequate BCG therapy is defined as at least one of the following: (1) at least five of six doses of an initial induction course plus at least two of three doses of maintenance therapy, or (2) at least five of six doses of an initial induction course plus at least two of six doses of a second induction course.

In between BCG-naïve and BCG-unresponsive NMIBC lies a disease state where patients do not meet the criteria for either definition called BCG-exposed, which describes a combination of disease states related to prior BCG treatment that are neither BCG-naïve nor BCG-unresponsive. The chart below shows the various treatment pathways leading patients to be classified as BCG-unresponsive or BCG-exposed.



Patients will be classified as BCG-exposed in many cases including: (1) persistent or recurrent high-grade Ta or CIS-containing disease within three months of completion of an induction course of BCG therapy; (2) any high-risk

recurrence after completion of adequate BCG therapy outside of the BCG-unresponsive window; or (3) any high-risk recurrence after completion of inadequate BCG therapy within a 24-month window.

According to AUA risk stratification guidelines, intermediate-risk NMIBC is defined as at least one of the following:

- Low-grade urothelial carcinoma
 - Low-grade T1 disease
 - Solitary low-grade Ta disease > 3 cm
 - Multifocal low-grade Ta disease
 - Recurrent low-grade Ta disease within 1 year
- High-grade urothelial carcinoma
 - Solitary High-grade Ta ≤ 3cm

Limited Treatment Options for High-risk BCG-unresponsive NMIBC Patients

While BCG has been the standard adjuvant therapy for high-risk NMIBC after TURBT, BCG is not without its limitations; it is estimated that approximately 50% of patients eventually develop tumor recurrence. While a subset of these patients will respond to a second round of BCG induction therapy, few treatment options are available to those who are BCG-unresponsive. IVE-delivery of chemotherapy has demonstrated limited benefit. The CR rate reported for valrubicin, the only approved chemotherapy for BCG-refractory patients, is 18% at six months. CIS-containing tumors are typically not considered resectable, further limiting treatment options for BCG-unresponsive patients. Failure to achieve a CR is associated with an increased risk of death or a disease-worsening event. As such, the use of valrubicin in this setting has not been widely adopted.

In January 2020, pembrolizumab, sold by Merck, was approved by the FDA to treat high-risk BCG-unresponsive NMIBC as monotherapy based on the results of the KEYNOTE-057 Phase 2 clinical trial. In the cohort of participants with CIS-stage tumors, with or without papillary tumors, 39 of 96 patients, or 41%, had a CR at 3 months, with the median duration of response being 16.2 months. The percentage of trial participants with a CR declined to 19% at 12 months. Among the trial cohort involving BCG-unresponsive, high-risk non-CIS papillary tumors the 12-month disease free survival (DFS) rate was 43.5% with a median DFS of 7.7 months. Patients in KEYNOTE-057 were administered systemic pembrolizumab by a medical oncologist by infusion every 3 weeks for up to 24 months or until disease persistence, recurrence, progression, unacceptable toxic effects, or withdrawal of consent. Across both trial cohorts, Grade 3 or 4 toxicities were observed in 13% of participants, of which the most common were hyponatremia and arthralgia. Serious treatment-related adverse events were noted in 8% of patients, including but not limited to colitis, autoimmune nephritis, hyperthyroidism, lymphocyte count decrease, pulmonary embolism, and syncope. Seven percent of patients discontinued due to TRAEs (cholestatic hepatitis, hyponatremia, nephritis, and type 1 diabetes mellitus).

Nadofaragene firadenovec (nadofaragene), a non-replicating adenoviral-based gene therapy produced by Ferring that activates interferon a2b, was approved by the FDA in December 2022 to treat high-risk BCG-unresponsive NMIBC CIS-stage, with or without papillary tumors. In a Phase 3 clinical trial evaluating nadofaragene for the treatment BCG-unresponsive NMIBC, 51% of patients achieved a CR and 24% of patients maintained a CR at 12 months. Grade 3 or 4 treatment-related adverse events occurred in 4% of patients, including micturition urgency, bladder spasms, urinary incontinence, syncope, and hypertension. Serious treatment-related adverse events were reported in 2% of patients (syncope, sepsis, and hematuria). In September 2023, Ferring announced that it dosed the first bladder cancer patient with commercially available nadofaragene as part of their limited-release commercial launch as they increase manufacturing capacity.

Based in part on a retrospective analysis of high-risk NMIBC patients, combination chemotherapy of gemcitabine and docetaxel are used in practice, although these drugs have not received FDA approval for this indication.

Given the significant unmet medical need, several additional potential treatments for NMIBC are in various stages of clinical development and regulatory approval. There are multiple companies that have reported drug candidates in clinical development. For example, ImmunityBio Inc.'s N-803 is an IVE-delivered IL-15 agonist delivered in combination with BCG. N-803's regulatory application received a complete response letter from the FDA due to deficiencies in pre-license inspections of the company's third-party manufacturers. In addition, Urogen Pharma, Inc.'s UGN-102 is an IVE-delivered DNA synthesis inhibitor, mitomycin, in gel formulation for treatment of low-grade intermediate-risk BCG-naïve NMIBC. Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Inc.'s TAR-200 is a drug delivery system administered via cystoscopic procedure every three weeks for the first 24 weeks (administered by a urologist in a procedure room under local anesthesia) with a continuous controlled-release dose of gemcitabine for treatment of BCG-unresponsive NMIBC. enGene, Inc.'s EG-70 is an IVE-delivered IL-2 and RIG-I dual-agonist.

Patient Aversion to Complete Removal of the Bladder as well as Underlying Mortality Risk

Radical cystectomy, or the complete removal of the bladder, remains the standard of care for high-risk BCG-unresponsive NMIBC patients, but commonly requires an ostomy appliance for urinary diversion. Despite being the standard of care, only approximately 6% of high-risk BCG-unresponsive NMIBC patients elect to have a radical cystectomy. This hesitancy is associated with significant social, functional and emotional burden. Cystectomy and the radical change in daily routine required often results in diminished body image perception. While the physical and functional trauma may subside, the psychological and emotional burden associated with the consequences of the surgery, which may extend to a patient's caregivers and healthcare providers, remain. In addition, the procedure is associated with high degrees of morbidity and mortality. Approximately 64% of patients undergoing a radical cystectomy experience complications, with approximately 26% of patients requiring readmission for surgery-related complications and an overall readmission rate estimated to be between 20% and 29%. Moreover, the mortality rate within 90 days of the procedure is between 2% and 5%, likely associated with the more advanced age of many bladder cancer patients.

The Chronic Short Supply of BCG is Expected to Persist for Years

A key current issue with BCG is that continual production shortages have left many urological practices in need of an effective and readily available alternative first-line treatment. The production of BCG therapy involves a lengthy and complex manufacturing process and is produced for both the United States and most international markets by a single manufacturer, Merck. In 2017, Sanofi discontinued production of Connaught BCG after a history in challenges producing the product, including a shutdown following a 2011 FDA inspection of documented nonconformances including isolation of mold within the BCG aseptic processing areas, which further exacerbated the overall availability of BCG in the United States. While there are other options globally for BCG, none of the options are available in the United States, except for the TICE BCG strain manufactured by Merck. A randomized controlled, head-to-head trial may be needed to fully examine the impact of different BCG strains on clinical outcomes for bladder cancer patients.

BCG has been in short supply for over ten years as demand has outpaced available production capacity. In light of these supply constraints, the use of BCG therapy as induction therapy has been restricted to BCG-naïve, high-grade T1 or CIS-containing NMIBC patients only, with maintenance therapy limited to 12 months. The NCCN and AUC/SOC guidelines no longer recommend BCG therapy for intermediate-risk NMIBC, instead indicating that BCG should be prioritized for high-risk NMIBC patients only. Moreover, even among BCG-eligible patients, drug shortages have in some cases necessitated a reduction from a full-dose course of treatment.

In October 2020, Merck announced plans to build an additional BCG manufacturing site and has stated that construction is underway, and the new facility is on track to be completed between late 2025 and late 2026. The current market is only producing 69% of the estimated BCG need based on 2018 baseline volume; even with additional supply, the annual supply gap could be significant. We believe that disease recurrence after BCG therapy, together with current and anticipated ongoing supply shortages, highlights a significant unmet medical need for alternative NMIBC therapeutics which are both safe and efficacious, particularly in the intermediate- and high-risk NMIBC patient populations for whom BCG therapy is not available.

Significant Barriers Exist in Development and Adoption of New Treatments for NMIBC

Treatments that require administrative methods differing from BCG, such as requirements for operating/procedure room time under anesthesia or intravenous (IV) administration, may limit physician adoption, particularly in community urology practices. Further, we believe any treatment seeking to replace or compete with TURBT in intermediate-risk NMIBC will face slow adoption given TURBT's place as a cornerstone treatment for urology practices, driving a significant portion of providers' economics. In addition, treatments leveraging chemotherapies have demonstrated tolerability challenges and adverse events that limit their potential to be combined with other therapeutic agents to further enhance the efficacy profile. Cretostimogene's administration, which is similar to BCG, could offer convenience for urology practice adoption that will potentially allow cretostimogene to become a backbone therapy across several bladder cancer indications, if successfully developed and approved.

Cretostimogene: Our Product Candidate for Intermediate- and High-Risk NMIBC

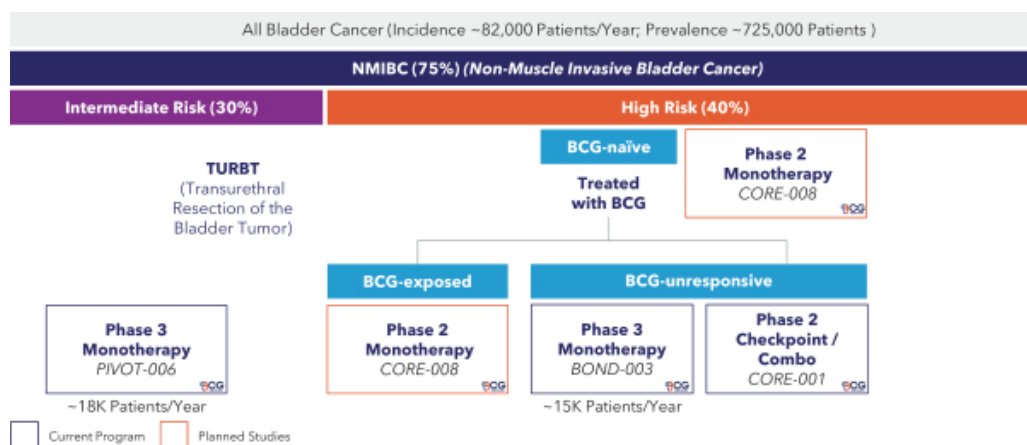
Cretostimogene is an investigational engineered oncolytic immunotherapy that has been designed both to eliminate cancer cells directly by selective replication within cancer cells and indirectly activating an anti-tumor immune response. Our ongoing open-label Phase 3 clinical trial, BOND-003, is designed to assess the safety and efficacy of cretostimogene in high-risk BCG-unresponsive NMIBC when administered as a monotherapy. We have completed patient enrollment in the 116-patient BOND-003 trial and expect to report topline data by the end of 2024. We are also evaluating the safety and efficacy of cretostimogene when used in combination with pembrolizumab in CORE-001, our open-label Phase 2 clinical trial in this same patient population. We believe the clinical trial results observed to date reflect the differentiated therapeutic potential of cretostimogene.

Cretostimogene has shown clinical benefit and has been generally well-tolerated as both a monotherapy and in combination in clinical trials to date. In BOND-003, 50 of the 66 (75.7%; 95% CI: 63-85%) of the evaluable patients achieved a CR at any time after the administration of cretostimogene as of the October 5, 2023 efficacy data cutoff. Of those 50 responders, 42 out of 50 (84.0%) maintained their response for at least three months and 31 out of 43 (74.4%) maintained their response for at least six months as of the data cutoff. Cretostimogene has also demonstrated clinical activity when administered in combination with pembrolizumab to patients with high risk, BCG-unresponsive NMIBC in our ongoing Phase 2 CORE-001 open-label clinical trial. In this trial, 29 of the 34 (85%; 95% CI: 63-85%) patients evaluable as of the March 3, 2023 data cutoff achieved a CR after an initial induction therapy, with 82% (n=27/33) of evaluable patients maintaining a CR at six months, and 68% (n=17/25) of evaluable patients maintaining a CR at 12 months. As of November 30, 2023, cretostimogene has been administered in over 270 patients during clinical trial investigations, and has been generally well-tolerated with no Grade 4 or 5 TRAEs observed and no treatment-related study discontinuations deemed related to cretostimogene. There have been no discontinuations from CORE-001 related to cretostimogene.

We initiated PIVOT-006 in November 2023, which is a randomized Phase 3 clinical trial designed to assess the safety and efficacy of adjuvant cretostimogene in intermediate-risk NMIBC patients following TURBT. We also intend to initiate CORE-008, which is an open-label multi-cohort Phase 2 clinical trial designed to assess the safety and efficacy of cretostimogene when administered as monotherapy, including in (1) high-risk NMIBC patients categorized as BCG-exposed but not yet designated unresponsive, and (2) high-risk NMIBC patients categorized as BCG-naïve.

Our ongoing and planned clinical trials and the specific NMIBC patient population to be evaluated are presented in the following chart.

Clinical Trials are Ongoing or Planned to Evaluate Cretostimogene in a Range of NMIBC Patient Populations



We believe NMIBC patients with BCG-unresponsive disease are unlikely to benefit from further BCG therapy. Additionally, given the patient burden and mortality associated with cystectomy, bladder preservation through the avoidance or delay of cystectomy is an intended outcome of new therapeutic product candidates for bladder cancer. We believe our approach is supported by the February 2018 FDA guidance regarding clinical trial design targeting a BCG-unresponsive, CIS-containing NMIBC patients states that a single-arm trial that assesses CR rate as the primary endpoint, taking DOR into account, may be appropriate for full approval, or may require a confirmatory trial after accelerated approval. As of September 30, 2023, there were two products that have received full FDA approval based on data from single-arm clinical trials following the issuance of the guidance.

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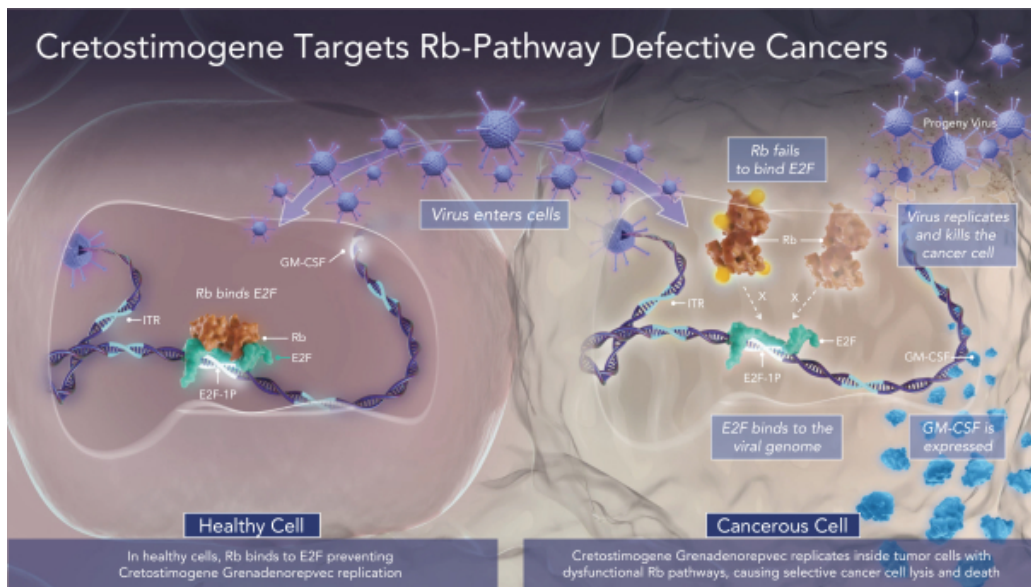
Cretostimogene is an investigational engineered, conditionally replicating oncolytic immunotherapy that has been designed to preferentially replicate in retinoblastoma (Rb) gene pathway-defective cells present in the majority of urothelial carcinomas and trigger an anti-tumor immune response. Cretostimogene enters the tumor by binding to Coxsackievirus and Adenovirus Receptors (CAR) present in specialized intracellular junctions and tight junctions of polarized epithelial cells.

There are two modifications made to cretostimogene for tumor selectivity and potency. The first modification is the insertion of an E2F-1 promoter in cretostimogene which acts as a safety mechanism to selectively replicate and lyse Rb-defective tumor cells rather than healthy cells which have intact Rb pathways. The second modification is the insertion of the gene for the cytokine granulocyte-macrophage colony stimulation factor (GM-CSF). GM-CSF is widely recognized as a potent stimulator of longer-term anti-tumor activity and we believe its addition to the viral construct may both prime the immune system and induce tumor-specific immunity. Replication and lysis of Rb-defective tumor cells by cretostimogene may trigger an immunogenic cell death that stimulates an anti-tumor immune response.

Comparison of Wild-Type Adenovirus and Our Cretostimogene Constructs



Overview of Cretostimogene's Replication Selectivity in Healthy Versus Cancerous Cells with Defective Rb-Pathway

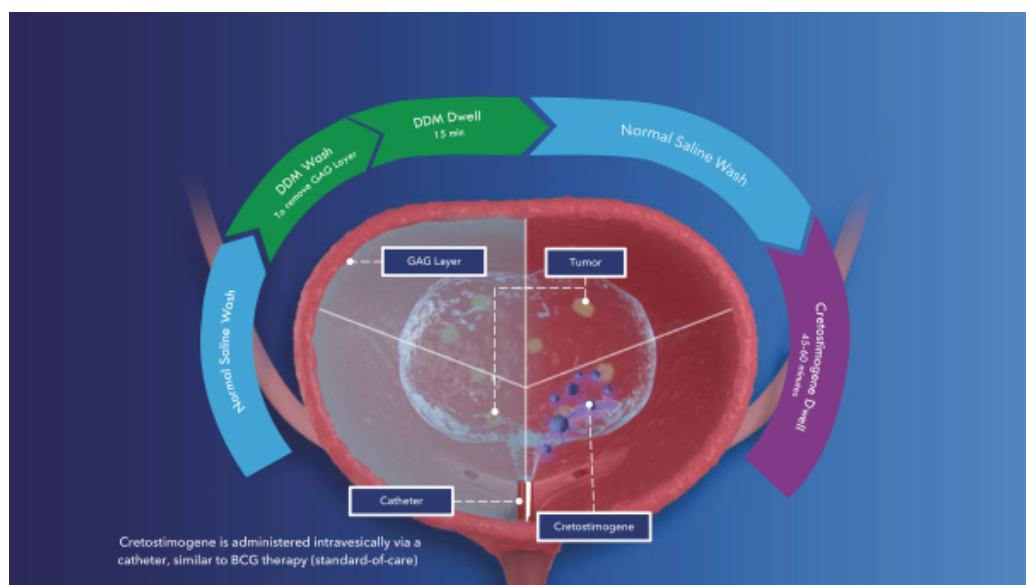


Cretostimogene Administration

Prior to the administration of cretostimogene, patients undergo a saline wash and are then pretreated with n-Dodecyl-β-D-maltoside (DDM) through IVE delivery. DDM is a mild detergent and solubilizing agent used to attenuate the GAG lining of the transitional epithelium and enhance transduction efficiency of adenovirus by urothelial cells. Following DDM wash/dwell and GAG layer attenuation, cretostimogene is IVE-delivered via a catheter. This administration process does not require operating room time nor placement of the patient under anesthesia. Furthermore, this is a similar route of administration as standard-of-care BCG therapy, which urology

practices perform regularly and, thus, we believe will require limited provider re-training versus other NMIBC treatment approaches.

Overview of Cretoestimogene's IVE Administration into the Bladder



Cretoestimogene Clinical Development

Cretoestimogene Monotherapy for High-risk CIS-containing NMIBC after BCG Failure

Overview of BOND-002 Trial Design

The BOND-002 trial was a Phase 2, open-label, single-arm clinical trial of cretoestimogene in patients with high-risk NMIBC after BCG failure. Cretoestimogene was administered intravesically at 1×10^{12} viral particles (VPs) per milliliter to high-risk CIS-containing NMIBC patients, with or without Ta/T1 tumors, and a group of patients with only Ta/T1, that were categorized as having failed BCG therapy and refused radical cystectomy. The trial included a heterogenous mixture of BCG-exposed and BCG-unresponsive patients.

In this study, 46 CIS patients, with or without Ta/T1 disease, and 19 patients with Ta/T1 disease were enrolled. Patients received an initial induction course of six weekly administrations. Patients who achieved a CR at month six received six weekly maintenance doses of cretoestimogene using the same concentration. Patients that did not respond to the first induction course were provided a second induction course at month three with no maintenance doses provided at month six. Six weekly follow up doses were then administered at months 12 and 18. In this trial, CR rates were evaluated at various timepoints throughout the study.

Overview of Response Data in BOND-002 Trial

Among the 46 patients with high-risk CIS-containing NMIBC, 30 (65%; 95% CI: 50-78%) patients displayed a CR at any time subsequent to administration of cretoestimogene. Four out of 10 (40.0%) patients who did not achieve CR at three months, and who were subsequently re-dosed with cretoestimogene at three months demonstrated CR at six months. The DOR to treatment was also notable, with 44% and 28% of patients demonstrating a CR at six months and 12 months, respectively. The results of BOND-002 are summarized below.

CR Data from BOND-002 Trial

CR at Any Time 65% 30/46 patients	CR at 6 Mo 44% 20/46 patients	CR at 12 Mo 28% 13/46 patients
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Overview of Safety Data in BOND-002 Trial

Safety and Tolerability Data from BOND-002 Trial

Top Adverse Events Considered Related to Cretostimogene Administration for all Patients (n=68) by Grade				
	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	All Grades
Bladder Spasm	9 (13.2%)	3 (4.4%)	-	12 (17.6%)
Haematuria	9 (13.2%)	2 (2.9%)	-	11 (16.2%)
Dysuria	4 (5.9%)	5 (7.4%)	1 (1.5%)	10 (14.7%)
Micturition Urgency	5 (7.5%)	4 (5.9%)	-	9 (13.2%)
Pollakiuria	5 (7.5%)	1 (1.5%)	-	6 (8.8%)
Urinary Tract Infection	1 (1.5%)	3 (4.4%)	-	4 (5.9%)
Fatigue	3 (4.4%)	1 (1.5%)	-	4 (5.9%)
Influenza-like Illness	3 (4.4%)	-	-	3 (4.4%)
Influenza	2 (2.9%)	-	-	2 (2.9%)
Bladder Discomfort	1 (1.5%)	-	-	1 (1.5%)
Hypotension	-	-	1 (1.5%)	1 (1.5%)

In addition to the 65 patients enrolled per the trial protocol, the safety results above included three additional patients, two who were dosed with cretostimogene for compassionate, single-use patient INDs and one more determined not to have baseline NMIBC retrospectively. Cretostimogene was generally well-tolerated and most TRAEs were limited to Grade 1 to 2, only two Grade 3 TRAEs involving dysuria and hypotension (both of which were resolved), and no Grade 4 or 5 TRAEs. Furthermore, eight SAEs were reported but were determined not related to cretostimogene. Adverse events are generally classified as SAEs if they are fatal or life-threatening, result in inpatient hospitalization or prolongation of an existing hospitalization, or result in persistent or significant disability or incapacity, as well as other medically significant events that may jeopardize the patient or require medical or surgical intervention. Regardless of grade, a TRAE can be classified as an SAE if it meets the aforementioned criteria.

Overview of BOND-003 Trial Design

BOND-003 is a global, open-label, single-arm Phase 3 clinical trial enrolling 116 patients designed to evaluate the safety and efficacy of cretostimogene as monotherapy in the treatment of patients that have received adequate BCG therapy with high-risk BCG-unresponsive, CIS-containing NMIBC and BCG-unresponsive Ta or T1 papillary tumors. We designed this trial in light of the 2018 FDA guidance which defines BCG-unresponsive disease states and says that single-arm trials that assess CR rate as the primary endpoint, taking DOR into account, may be appropriate for full approval or may require a confirmatory trial following accelerated approval.

The initial induction course of therapy is six weekly doses of cretostimogene containing 1×10^{12} VPs per milliliter. Patients who achieve a CR at month three receive maintenance treatments, involving three weekly cretostimogene doses administered at the same concentration every three months for the first 12 months and every six months for the next 24 months. Patients who do not achieve a CR after the first induction course may receive a second induction course of six weekly cretostimogene treatments at month 3, rather than the maintenance course involving three weekly treatments. The primary endpoint of the BOND-003 trial is CR at any

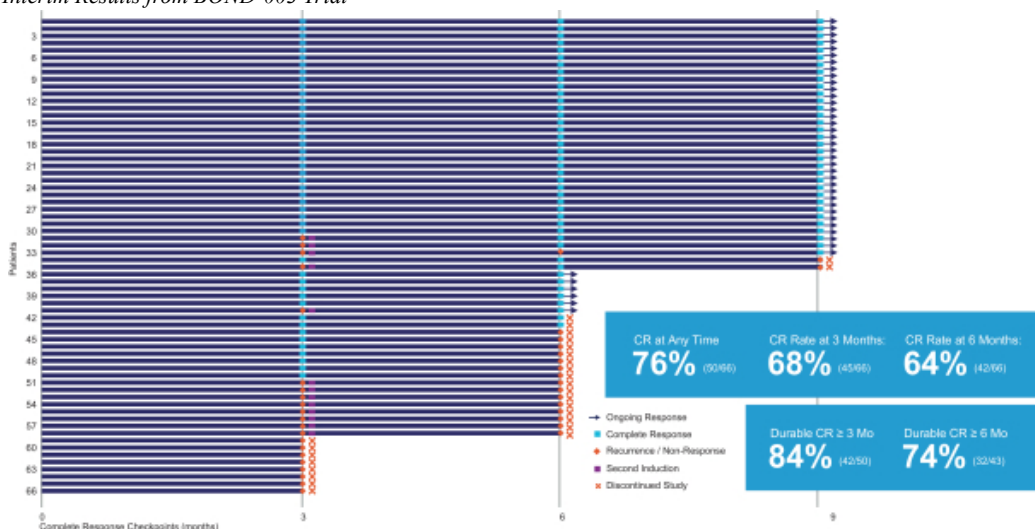
time subsequent to induction. We have completed enrollment for this trial, reported interim data in November 2023 and expect to report topline data by the end of 2024. We intend to enroll an additional cohort of up to 70 patients to evaluate the safety and efficacy of cretostimogene as a monotherapy in the treatment of patients with high-risk BCG-unresponsive NMIBC, high-grade Ta or T1 without CIS that have received adequate BCG therapy. The primary endpoint of this cohort is overall event-free survival (EFS), with secondary endpoints including safety, high-grade recurrence-free survival (RFS), low-grade RFS, progression-free survival (PFS), cystectomy-free survival, and bladder cancer specific survival.

Overview of Interim Response Data from BOND-003 Trial

Interim data for BOND-003 were reported at the 24th Annual Meeting of SUO on November 30, 2023. As of the October 5, 2023 efficacy data cutoff, 50 of the 66 (75.7%; 95% CI: 63-85%) evaluable patients achieved a CR at any time after the administration of cretostimogene. In addition, as of the data cutoff, 45 out of 66 (68.2%) patients achieved a CR at three months and 42 out of 66 (63.6%) patients achieved a CR at six months. Four out of 13 (30.8%) patients who did not achieve a CR at three months, and who were subsequently re-dosed with cretostimogene at three months demonstrated a CR at six months. One additional patient who was re-dosed at three months and did not achieve a CR at six months stayed on trial at the recommendation of the principal investigator and achieved a CR at nine months. We have excluded this patient’s CR from the results because under the protocol, a patient who fails to achieve a CR at three months and six months would be discontinued from the trial.

Of those 50 patients who achieved a CR at any time, 42 out of 50 (84.0%) maintained their response for at least three months and 32 out of 43 (74.4%) evaluable responders maintained their response for at least six months. Seven patients had yet to reach the minimum duration of response evaluation and were excluded from the assessment for durable CR lasting at least six months. The median age of evaluable patients was 73 years old (range: 49-90), of which 76% were male. Patients had received between seven and 47 prior installations of BCG therapy and 80% had an Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group (ECOG) score of zero. ECOG is a measure of a patient’s level of general function and capability of self-care with a zero score meaning that a patient is fully active and able to carry on pre-disease performance without restriction. The chart below presents a summary of interim results observed in patients enrolled in the BOND-003 trial as of the data cutoff.

Overview of Interim Results from BOND-003 Trial



Overview of Interim Safety Data from BOND-003 Trial

Cretostimogene was generally well-tolerated in this trial as of the September 8, 2023 safety data cutoff, with mostly Grade 1 or Grade 2 adverse events reported and no Grade 3 or higher TRAEs reported. There were no treatment discontinuations due to TRAEs, and no deaths were reported. Two patients (1.8%) had SAEs, including Grade 2 noninfective cystitis, and Grade 2 clot retention, both of which resolved. Interim results from this trial may differ from future results of the trial as more patient data become available.

Combination of Cretostimogene Plus Pembrolizumab for High-risk BCG-unresponsive CIS-containing NMIBC

Overview of CORE-001 Trial Design

CORE-001 is a Phase 2 single-arm, open-label clinical trial of cretostimogene administered in up to 35 patients with high risk, BCG-unresponsive NMIBC that have CIS-containing tumors, in combination with pembrolizumab, following disease resection. Patients that demonstrate a CR after an initial six-week induction phase of weekly cretostimogene administrations, dosed at a concentration of 1×10^{12} VP per milliliter, who also receive two, 400 mg doses of pembrolizumab over three months, are given a maintenance course of three weekly doses of cretostimogene at an equivalent VP concentration, along with two doses of pembrolizumab for three months. Trial participants that do not respond to an initial induction course are eligible to receive a second induction course of six weekly administrations over the following three-month period. During the following six months, patients are provided three weekly doses of cretostimogene every three months for six months, in addition to pembrolizumab every six weeks, with longer-term follow up administration of three weekly doses every six months for 12 months, along with pembrolizumab every 6 weeks. The primary endpoints of the CORE-001 trial is CR at 12 months, with secondary endpoints including CR at any time, DOR and PFS. We have entered into a clinical trial collaboration and supply agreement with Merck providing at no-cost supply of pembrolizumab for use in CORE-001 (which agreement also provides for the joint ownership of clinical trial data but has no additional financial obligations and terminates upon conclusion of the trial).

The dosing schedule of cretostimogene in CORE-001 is similar to BOND-003, while pembrolizumab is administered pursuant to its approved dosing schedule.

Overview of Interim Clinical Results in Our Ongoing CORE-001 Trial

Interim results from the CORE-001 demonstrated that, as of the March 3, 2023 data cutoff, 29 of the 34 (85%; 95% CI: 68-94%) evaluable patients displayed a CR at any time subsequent to completion of induction therapy. Moreover, administration of cretostimogene has also resulted in durable responses, with 82% (n=27/33) of the evaluable patients maintaining a CR at six months and 68% (n=17/25) of evaluable patients maintaining a CR at 12 months, each as of the cutoff date. In the chart below is presented a summary of the interim results observed in patients enrolled in the CORE-001 trial.

Overview of Interim Results from CORE-001 Trial



We anticipate reporting additional durability data in the first half of 2024.

Overview of Interim Safety Data from Ongoing CORE-001 Trial

Similar to the results achieved in the BOND-002 trial, cretostimogene was observed to be generally well tolerated. As of the January 31, 2023 safety data cutoff, most cretostimogene-related adverse events were transient, localized Grade 1 or 2 local urinary tract related issues. As of the safety data cutoff, one Grade 2 SAE (urinary retention) deemed related to cretostimogene was reported and resolved. There have been no discontinuations from the trial deemed related to cretostimogene. As of the data cutoff, there were two Grade 3 SAEs related to pembrolizumab (adrenal insufficiency and immune-mediated hepatitis). As of the data cutoff, there were four Grade 3 adverse events related to pembrolizumab which led to a discontinuation; one patient resumed dosing of pembrolizumab after missing a single dose. Subsequent to the safety data cutoff, there were three adverse events related to pembrolizumab which led to discontinuation of pembrolizumab. The observed Grade 3 SAEs related to pembrolizumab are consistent with immune-related adverse events observed in prior anti-PD1 CPI trials.

Cretostimogene Monotherapy for Intermediate-risk NMIBC following TURBT

Phase 3 PIVOT-006 Clinical Trial

We initiated PIVOT-006 in November 2023, which is a randomized Phase 3 trial intended to assess the safety and efficacy of adjuvant cretostimogene when administered as monotherapy to patients with intermediate-risk NMIBC following TURBT. This is a two-arm trial enrolling up to 426 intermediate-risk NMIBC patients, one arm to be administered cretostimogene following the standard of care TURBT with the second arm receiving the standard of care TURBT only. The initial induction course is six weekly doses of cretostimogene containing 1×10^{12} VPs per milliliter. We expect that patients who are recurrence-free at month three will receive a maintenance course involving three weekly cretostimogene doses administered at the same concentration, in months 3 and 6, followed by single weekly doses in months 9 and 12. The primary endpoint of this trial is overall RFS, with secondary endpoints including RFS at 12 and 24 months and PFS. RFS is based on time to last cystoscopic evaluation or time to disease relapse where relapse is defined as any grade bladder cancer recurrence. We expect to complete enrollment for this trial in the first half of 2026.

Planned Clinical Trial

Phase 2 CORE-008 Clinical Trial

The planned study is an open-label multi-cohort Phase 2 trial intended to assess the safety and clinical outcomes of cretostimogene in treating patients with high-risk NMIBC including BCG-exposed and BCG-naïve NMIBC patients. Each cohort is expected to enroll up to 60 patients. BCG-exposed patients are classified as those NMIBC patients with persistent, recurrent or progressive disease after BCG treatment but do not meet the specific disease classification criteria to be designated BCG-unresponsive. BCG-naïve patients are classified as those NMIBC patients who have not received any prior BCG therapy. After an induction course of therapy of six weekly doses of cretostimogene containing 1×10^{12} VPs per milliliter, we expect that patients who achieve a CR will receive a maintenance course at the same concentration every three months until disease recurrence. We expect that patients who do not achieve a CR after the initial induction course will receive a second induction course at the same concentration followed by the same maintenance course if they achieve a CR. The targeted efficacy endpoints of this trial are expected to include CR at any time following induction, CR at 12 months, DOR and PFS. We expect to initiate this trial in the second half of 2024.

Additional Clinical Trial Evaluations in MIBC

MIBC is associated with significantly higher mortality than NMIBC, the five-year mortality rate for patients with MIBC ranging from approximately 66% to 95% depending on disease stage. As such, the delay of disease

progression is of particular significance to the estimated 20% to 25% of newly diagnosed bladder cancer patients with MIBC as well as those high-risk NMIBC patients that progress to MIBC. Moreover, the annual cost of care for patients with MIBC is estimated to be approximately 2.5 times the annual cost of care for patients with NMIBC.

Systemic administration of cisplatin is often used as neoadjuvant chemotherapy in the treatment of MIBC. However, as many as 50% of patients are ineligible to receive cisplatin because of existing co-morbidities such as decreased renal function or neuropathy in which case CPIs are the default standard of care. We are currently evaluating the use of cretostimogene in combination with the CPI nivolumab as a treatment for MIBC, including by our support of CORE-002, a single-arm exploratory investigator-sponsored clinical trial of 30 cisplatin-ineligible patients with no evidence of distant metastases prior to radical cystectomy. Cretostimogene induction therapy is accompanied by IV nivolumab dosed week 2 and week 6 followed by TURBT or cystectomy. The primary endpoint in this trial is safety; secondary endpoints include evaluations of pathological CR (pCR), RFS and changes in inflammatory status of tumors after combination therapy.

As of the March 31, 2023 CORE-002 data cutoff, among the 15 evaluable patients, the combination of cretostimogene and nivolumab had produced a pCR in eight patients, or a pCR rate of 53% (n=8/15). An additional patient had a negative post-treatment biopsy but refused radical cystectomy. Cretostimogene has been generally well-tolerated among trial participants as of the data cutoff. Immune related AE was seen in one patient, who had Grade 2 autoimmune thyroiditis. There was no delay in time to radical cystectomy and no unexpected surgical complications from treatment.

Manufacturing

We leverage third-party manufacturers to support the manufacturing of cretostimogene for clinical trials and, if we receive regulatory approval, we intend to rely on such third parties for commercial manufacture. We do not own or operate, and currently have no plans to establish, any manufacturing facilities. We believe this strategy will enable us to maintain a nimble, efficient and effective working model without making significant internal capital investments. We are currently focused on developing high-yield and scalable processes and analytical methods for the manufacture of cretostimogene. We believe our current manufacturing scale could support commercial demand for cretostimogene to treat high-risk, BCG-unresponsive NMIBC patients, if approved. We work with a third-party manufacturer for the production of cretostimogene and a third-party manufacturer for the production of DDM. We currently obtain our supplies from these manufacturers on a purchase order basis and do not have any long-term supply agreements in place. In order to de-risk our supply chain, and as we advance toward potential commercialization, we intend to enter into long-term supply agreements as well as evaluate additional product manufacturing sources.

We have established strong in-house CMC capabilities consisting of expertise in process and analytical development and manufacturing, spanning across different modalities including viruses. To complement our in-house CMC capabilities, we have established a CMC Advisory Board, consisting of some of the most respected names in the industry. This advisory group is chaired by Dr. Richard Rutter, Ph.D., formerly Executive Vice President of Biotherapeutics Pharmaceuticals Sciences at Pfizer, and includes Dr. Daniel Takefman, Ph.D., formerly chief of the gene therapy branch at the FDA; Dr. Richard Peluso, Ph.D., formerly Vice President, Biologics and Vaccines, Bioprocess R&D at Merck; and Dr. Victoria Sluzky, Ph.D., formerly Senior Vice President, Technical Development for BioMarin Pharmaceuticals. In combination with the CMC Advisory Board's experience and strong internal capabilities, we strive to build a sustainable and effective CMC organization.

Competition

We face substantial competition from multiple sources, including large and specialty pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies, academic research institutions and governmental agencies and public and private research institutions. In addition, many biotechnology companies have formed collaborations with large, established companies to (i) obtain support for their research, development and commercialization of products or

(ii) combine several treatment approaches to develop longer lasting or more efficacious treatments that may potentially directly compete with our current or future product candidates. We anticipate that we will continue to face increasing competition as new therapies, technologies, and data emerge within the field of oncology and, furthermore, within the treatment of bladder cancer.

We will continue to face competition from current standard of care treatments, including BCG. To the extent Merck or another manufacturer increases the supply of BCG, there may be less demand for alternative treatments such as cretostimogene in BCG-naïve or BCG-exposed patients. In addition, there are numerous companies that have commercialized or are developing treatments for NMIBC, including Bristol Meyers Squibb, enGene Inc., Gilead Sciences, Inc., Hoffman-La Roche AG (Roche), ImmunityBio Inc., Johnson & Johnson Inc., Merck, Protara Therapeutics, Inc., Pfizer, Inc., and UroGen Pharma, Inc.

Many of our competitors, either alone or in combination with their respective strategic partners, have significantly greater financial resources and expertise in research and development, manufacturing, regulatory processes, and marketing than we do. Mergers and acquisitions activity in the pharmaceutical, biopharmaceutical and biotechnology sector is likely to result in greater resource concentration among a smaller number of our competitors. Smaller or early-stage companies may also prove to be significant competitors, particularly through sizeable collaborative arrangements with established companies. These competitors also compete with us in recruiting and retaining qualified scientific and management personnel, establishing clinical trial sites and patient registration for clinical trials, as well as in acquiring technologies complementary to, or necessary for, our programs.

Our commercial opportunity could be reduced or eliminated if one or more of our competitors successfully develop and commercialize products that are safer, more effective, better-tolerated, or of greater convenience or economic benefit than our proposed product offering. Our competitors also may be in a position to obtain FDA or other regulatory approval for their products more rapidly, resulting in a stronger or dominant market position before we are able to enter the market. The key competitive factors affecting the success of all of our programs are likely to be product safety, efficacy, convenience and treatment cost.

Commercialization

Given our stage of development, we have not yet established a commercial organization or distribution capabilities. If we obtain FDA approval for cretostimogene, we intend to build in-house sales and marketing capabilities to commercialize cretostimogene in the United States, and potentially other regions, and expect to rely on third parties for distribution. While the number of patients suffering from bladder cancer is large and growing, a significant portion of large urology practices are concentrated in a relatively small number of major metropolitan areas and urology physician groups. We believe this concentration will potentially enable us to efficiently reach a large portion of our estimated addressable market with a relatively small commercial footprint. Importantly, urology practices are already deeply familiar with the administration of TURBT followed by intravesical administration of BCG in NMIBC patients. Cretostimogene is similarly designed to be administered intravesically and we believe will not require urology practices to retrain or learn a new administrative method. Outside of the United States, we may, where appropriate, pursue development and commercialization relationships, including strategic alliances and licensing, with pharmaceutical companies and other strategic partners, to maximize the commercial potential of cretostimogene in such countries, such as with our agreements with Kissei Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. and Lepu Biotech Co., Ltd. described below.

License and Collaboration Agreements

Kissei Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. License and Collaboration Agreement

In March 2020, and as amended September 2022, we entered into a license and collaboration agreement (the Kissei Agreement) with Kissei Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. (Kissei), under which we granted to Kissei an exclusive license to certain intellectual property rights in Bangladesh, Bhutan, Brunei, Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Japan,

South Korea, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan, Palau, Philippines, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Taiwan, Thailand and Vietnam (the Kissei Territory), for Kissei to develop and commercialize, but not manufacture, crotetostimogene in combination with DDM (the Licensed Product) for all uses in oncology indications for which marketing approval is being sought. Under the Kissei Agreement, we and Kissei agreed to use commercially reasonable efforts to collaborate on clinical development activities in the Kissei Territory and each party is responsible for conducting the applicable activities pursuant to an agreed development plan. Kissei is responsible for the costs of developing the Licensed Product in the Kissei Territory, and we are responsible for the costs of developing the Licensed Product outside the Kissei Territory, provided that Kissei is responsible for a low-double digit percentage and we are responsible for a high-double digit percentage of the cost of development activities that cannot be attributed solely to the Kissei Territory or outside the Kissei Territory. We are obligated to supply and Kissei will exclusively purchase its clinical and commercial requirements of Licensed Product from us. Kissei is responsible for commercializing the Licensed Product in the Kissei Territory and is obligated to use commercially reasonable efforts to seek regulatory approval for and commercialize at least one Licensed Product in a specified indication. Until a certain period of time has passed after the first regulatory approval of the Licensed Product, we are prohibited from commercializing certain competing products worldwide and Kissei is prohibited from researching, developing or commercializing certain competing products worldwide.

Kissei paid to us a one-time upfront payment of \$10.0 million and, in connection with the entry into the Kissei Agreement, purchased \$30.0 million worth of shares of our Series D redeemable convertible preferred stock as part of our Series D financing. Kissei is obligated to make development, regulatory and commercial milestone payments of up to \$100.0 million. We have also agreed to pay Kissei a royalty on net sales of Licensed Product outside the Kissei Territory and outside the Lepu Territory (as described below), including on any U.S. sales, in a low-single digit percentage, subject to certain reductions. We are entitled to receive a royalty on net sales of Licensed Product in the Kissei Territory in the mid-twenties percentage, subject to certain capped reductions. Also, Kissei has the right to offset the royalty payments due to us with respect to the cost for the supply of Licensed Product sold by us to Kissei, and to indefinitely carry forward credits for any excess supply amounts paid over royalty amounts owed in a given quarter. We are entitled to receive a specified minimum percentage of royalties on net sales of a given Licensed Product in a given country and a given quarter, unless, if for such Licensed Product in such country and such quarter, Kissei has taken the maximum allowable reductions and the ratio of the cost for the supply of Licensed Product to the sales price for Licensed Product exceeds a low-double digit percentage threshold, then we shall receive no royalties on the net sales of such Licensed Product in such country and such quarter. Kissei's and our royalty obligations will expire on a Licensed Product-by-Licensed Product and country-by-country basis on the later of twelve years from the date of first commercial sale of such Licensed Product in such country or when there is no longer a valid patent claim covering such Licensed Product in such country.

The Kissei Agreement will expire on a Licensed Product-by-Licensed Product and country-by-country basis when there is no remaining royalty or milestone payment obligation due to a party with respect to such Licensed Product in such country. Following expiration of the Kissei Agreement in its entirety, the licenses we granted to Kissei will become non-exclusive, fully-paid royalty-free and irrevocable and Kissei will have the right to negotiate directly with our product suppliers for the direct supply of Licensed Product to Kissei. The Kissei Agreement may be terminated either by Kissei or by us in the event of an uncured material breach by the other party or in the event the other party becomes subject to specified bankruptcy, insolvency or similar circumstances. In addition, we have the right to terminate the Kissei Agreement in the event that Kissei commences a legal action challenging the validity, enforceability or scope of any licensed patents under the Kissei Agreement. Kissei may terminate the Kissei Agreement at will upon specified written notice. Additionally, Kissei may terminate the Kissei Agreement for our willful and malicious misconduct that results in substantial and irreparable harm to the commercial value of the Licensed Products in the Kissei Territory and upon any such termination, the licenses we granted to Kissei will become royalty-free and fully paid-up and Kissei will have the right to negotiate directly with our contract manufacturing organizations for the supply of Licensed Product. Upon termination of the Kissei Agreement for any other reason all rights and licenses granted to Kissei to develop and commercialize the product under the Kissei Agreement will terminate, subject to certain rights to sell existing inventory of Licensed Products by Kissei and its sublicensees. Upon termination of the Kissei Agreement for Kissei's breach, any sublicenses granted by Kissei may, upon our discretion, continue.

Lepu Biotech Co., Ltd. Development and License Agreement

In March 2019, we entered into a development and license agreement (the Lepu Agreement) with Lepu Biotech Co., Ltd. (Lepu), under which we granted an exclusive license to Lepu to develop, manufacture and commercialize cretostimogene and/or DDM to treat and/or prevent cancer in mainland China, including Hong Kong and Macau (the Lepu Territory). Under the Lepu Agreement, Lepu is responsible for using commercially reasonable efforts to develop cretostimogene and DDM in the Lepu Territory, including by performing clinical development activities pursuant to an agreed development plan, and we are obligated to provide Lepu with reasonably requested information, know-how and assistance at Lepu's cost and expense. Additionally, Lepu is obligated to meet a certain clinical diligence milestone by a specified date in 2024. We are also obligated to use commercially reasonable efforts to supply Lepu with its requirements of cretostimogene and DDM for its development activities at Lepu's cost and to periodically provide Lepu with manufacturing documentation and, at Lepu's cost, reasonably requested assistance related to the manufacture of clinical and, if applicable, commercial supplies of cretostimogene and DDM. Lepu is obligated to use commercially reasonable efforts to commercialize at least one of cretostimogene and/or DDM and achieve the first commercial sale of such product in the Lepu Territory within specified time periods after receipt of marketing authorization approval therefor.

Lepu paid to us a one-time upfront payment of \$4.5 million, and Lepu is obligated to make regulatory milestone payments of up to \$2.5 million and commercial milestone payments of up to \$57.5 million. We are entitled to receive a high single-digit royalty on net sales of cretostimogene and/or DDM sold in the Lepu Territory, subject to a specified reduction. Lepu's royalty obligations will expire upon termination of the Lepu Agreement. Lepu may terminate the Lepu Agreement for any reason upon specified prior written notice. The agreement may be terminated either by Lepu or by us in the event of an uncured material breach by the other party. In addition, we have the right to terminate the agreement in the event that Lepu commences or requests a legal action challenging the validity, enforceability or scope of any licensed patents. Upon termination of the agreement for any reason, all rights and licenses granted to Lepu to develop and commercialize cretostimogene and DDM under the agreement will terminate, and Lepu will be obligated to provide to us all data and results pertaining to cretostimogene and DDM products and assign and transfer to us all regulatory filings, manufacturing documentation and marketing authorization approvals for cretostimogene and DDM. In the event that Lepu has any ongoing clinical trials with respect to cretostimogene and/or DDM as of the effective date of termination, at our request, Lepu is obligated to either promptly transition such clinical trials to us or continue to conduct and complete such clinical trials, at our expense.

Intellectual Property

The proprietary nature of, and protection for, our product candidates and their methods of use are an important part of our strategy to develop and commercialize novel medicines, as described in more detail below. We have obtained patents and filed patent applications in the United States and other countries relating to certain of our proprietary technology, inventions, improvements, and product candidates, and are pursuing additional patent protection for them. We endeavor to protect the proprietary technologies that we believe are important to our business, including pursuing and maintaining patent protection intended to cover cretostimogene, its methods of use, related technologies, and other inventions that are important to our business. In addition to patent protection, we also rely on trade secret to protect aspects of our business that are not amenable to, or that we do not consider appropriate for, patent protection, including our proprietary method of manufacturing cretostimogene. We will also seek to rely on regulatory protection afforded through inclusion in expedited development and review, data exclusivity, market exclusivity and patent term extensions where available. For example, under the Biologics Price Competition and Innovation Act of 2009 (BPCIA), we believe that cretostimogene or any future product candidates we may develop, if approved as a biological product under a BLA, should qualify for the 12-year period of reference product exclusivity.

As of December 27, 2023, we own five patent families comprising five issued U.S. patents, three issued foreign patents in Japan and Singapore, three pending U.S. non-provisional patent applications, and 18 pending patent applications in jurisdictions outside of the United States.

With regard to cretostimogene, we own three issued U.S. patents and three issued patents in Japan and Singapore with claims covering methods of use using cretostimogene, including claims covering treatment

schedules and combination therapy. These issued patents are expected to expire between 2036 and 2038, without accounting for potentially available patent term adjustments or extensions. We also own three pending U.S. applications and 18 related pending applications with claims covering methods of use using cretostimogene (including claims covering treatment schedules and combination therapy) in Australia, New Zealand, Japan, South Korea, China, Singapore, Hong Kong, and before the European Patent Office, and any patents that issue from these applications are expected to expire between 2036 and 2038, without accounting for potentially available patent term adjustments or extensions.

We expect to file additional patent applications in support of current and new product candidates as well as new platform and core technologies.

Our commercial success will depend in part on obtaining and maintaining patent protection and trade secret protection of cretostimogene, our future product candidates, and their methods of use, as well as successfully defending any such patents against third-party challenges, preserving the confidentiality of our trade secrets, and operating without infringing on the proprietary rights of others. Our ability to stop third parties from making, using, selling, offering to sell or importing our product candidates will depend on the extent to which we have rights under valid and enforceable patents or trade secrets that cover these activities. We cannot be sure that patents will be granted with respect to any of our pending patent applications or with respect to any patent applications filed by us in the future, nor can we be sure that any patents that may be granted to us in the future will be commercially useful in protecting our product candidates, discovery programs and processes.

The terms of individual patents depend upon the legal term of the patents in the countries in which they are obtained. In most countries in which we file, including the United States, the patent term is 20 years from the earliest date of filing a non-provisional patent application. In the United States, a patent's term may be lengthened by patent term adjustment, which compensates a patentee for administrative delays by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, or USPTO, in examining and granting a patent, or may be shortened if a patent is terminally disclaimed over another patent of ours. In the United States, the term of a patent that covers an FDA-approved drug may also be eligible for extension, which permits patent term restoration as compensation for a portion of the patent term lost during the FDA regulatory review process. The Hatch-Waxman Act permits a patent term extension of up to five years beyond the expiration of the patent. The length of the patent term extension is related to the length of time the subject drug candidate is under regulatory review. Patent term extension cannot extend the remaining term of a patent beyond a total of 14 years from the date of product approval, only one patent applicable to an approved drug may be extended and only those claims covering the approved drug, a method for using it, or a method for manufacturing it may be extended. Similar provisions to extend the term of a patent that covers an approved drug are available in Europe, Japan and other foreign jurisdictions. In the future, if and when our products receive FDA approval, we expect to apply for patent term extensions on patents covering those products. We plan to seek patent term extensions to any issued patents we may obtain in any jurisdiction where such patent term extensions are available, however there is no guarantee that the applicable authorities, including the FDA in the United States, will agree with our assessment that such extensions should be granted, and if granted, the length of such extensions.

The actual protection afforded by a patent varies on a claim by claim and country by country basis and depends upon many factors, including the type of patent, the scope of its coverage, the availability of any patent term extensions or adjustments, the availability of legal remedies in a particular country and the validity and enforceability of the patent.

In addition to patent protection, we also rely on trade secret protection for our proprietary information that is not amenable to, or that we do not consider appropriate for, patent protection, including, for example, aspects of our manufacturing processes for cretostimogene. However, trade secret can be difficult to protect. Although we take steps to protect our proprietary information, including restriction to our premises and our confidential information, as well as entering into agreements with our employees, consultants, advisors, and potential collaborators, such individuals may breach such agreements and disclose our proprietary information including

our trade secrets, and we may not be able to obtain adequate remedies for such breaches. In addition, third parties may independently develop the same or similar proprietary information or may otherwise gain access to our proprietary information. As a result, we may be unable to meaningfully protect our trade secrets and proprietary information.

For more information regarding the risks related to our intellectual property, please see the section titled “Risk Factors—Risks Related to Our Intellectual Property.”

Government Regulation

The FDA and other regulatory authorities at federal, state, and local levels, as well as in foreign countries, extensively regulate, among other things, the research, development, testing, manufacture, quality control, import, export, safety, effectiveness, labeling, packaging, storage, distribution, record keeping, approval, advertising, promotion, marketing, post-approval monitoring, and post-approval reporting of biological product candidates such as those we are developing. The process of obtaining regulatory approvals and the subsequent compliance with applicable federal, state, local and foreign statutes and regulations require the expenditure of substantial time and financial resources.

U.S. Biologics Development Process

In the United States, biological products are subject to regulation under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, the Public Health Service Act, and other federal, state, local and foreign statutes and regulations. The process required by the FDA before biologic product candidates may be marketed in the United States generally involves the following:

- completion of preclinical laboratory tests, animal studies and formulation studies in accordance with Good Laboratory Practice regulations (GLPs), and other applicable regulations;
- submission to the FDA of an IND, which must become effective before human clinical trials may begin;
- approval by an independent institutional review board (IRB) or ethics committee at each clinical site before each trial may be initiated;
- performance of adequate and well-controlled human clinical trials in accordance with Good Clinical Practice regulations (GCPs), to evaluate the safety, purity and potency of the product candidate for its intended use;
- submission to the FDA of a BLA, after completion of all pivotal trials;
- a determination by the FDA within 60 days of its receipt of a BLA to file the application for review;
- satisfactory completion of an FDA advisory committee review, if applicable;
- satisfactory completion of an FDA inspection of the manufacturing facility or facilities at which the biologic is produced to assess compliance with current Good Manufacturing Practice requirements (cGMPs), to assure that the facilities, methods and controls are adequate to preserve the biologic’s identity, strength, quality and purity;
- satisfactory completion of potential inspection of selected clinical investigation sites to assess compliance with GCPs; and
- FDA review and approval of the BLA to permit commercial marketing of the product for particular indications for use in the United States.

Once a product candidate is identified for development, it enters the preclinical testing stage. Preclinical tests include laboratory evaluations of product chemistry, toxicity and formulation, as well as animal studies. An

IND sponsor must submit the results of the preclinical tests, together with manufacturing information and analytical data, to the FDA as part of an IND. An IND is a request for authorization from the FDA to administer an investigational product to humans. An IND will also include a protocol detailing, among other things, the objectives of the clinical trial, the parameters to be used in monitoring safety, and the effectiveness criteria to be evaluated, if the trial includes an efficacy evaluation. Some preclinical testing may continue even after the IND is submitted. The IND automatically becomes effective 30 days after receipt by the FDA, unless the FDA, within the 30-day time period, places the IND on a clinical hold. In such a case, the IND sponsor and the FDA must resolve any outstanding concerns before the clinical trial can begin. Clinical holds also may be imposed by the FDA at any time before or during clinical trials due to safety concerns or non-compliance with FDA requirements, in which case clinical trials may not begin or continue until the FDA notifies the sponsor that the hold has been lifted.

Clinical trials involve the administration of the investigational product to human subjects, and must be conducted under the supervision of one or more qualified investigators in accordance with GCPs, which include, among other things, the requirement that all research subjects provide their informed consent in writing for their participation in any clinical trial. Clinical trials must be conducted under protocols detailing the objectives of the trial, dosing procedures, subject selection and exclusion criteria and the safety and effectiveness criteria to be evaluated. Each protocol must be submitted to the FDA as part of the IND, and a separate submission to the existing IND must be made for each successive clinical trial conducted during product development and for any subsequent protocol amendments. While the IND is active, progress reports summarizing the results of the clinical trials and nonclinical studies performed since the last progress report, among other information, must be submitted at least annually to the FDA, and written IND safety reports must be submitted to the FDA and investigators for serious and unexpected suspected adverse events, findings from other studies suggesting a significant risk to humans exposed to the same or similar drugs or biologics, findings from animal or in vitro testing suggesting a significant risk to humans, and any clinically important increased incidence of a serious suspected adverse reaction compared to that listed in the protocol or investigator brochure.

Furthermore, an independent IRB or ethics committee at each institution participating in the clinical trial must review and approve each protocol before a clinical trial commences at that institution and must also approve the information regarding the trial and the consent form that must be provided to each trial subject or his or her legal representative, monitor the study until completed and otherwise comply with IRB regulations. The FDA or the sponsor may suspend a clinical trial at any time on various grounds, including a finding that the research subjects or patients are being exposed to an unacceptable health risk. Similarly, an IRB can suspend or terminate approval of a clinical trial at its institution if the clinical trial is not being conducted in accordance with the IRB's requirements or if the biologic has been associated with unexpected serious harm to patients. In addition, some clinical trials are overseen by an independent group of qualified experts organized by the sponsor, known as a data safety monitoring board or committee. Depending on its charter, this group may determine whether a trial may move forward at designated check points based on access to certain data from the trial. There are also requirements governing the reporting of ongoing clinical studies and clinical study results to public registries, including clinicaltrials.gov.

Human clinical trials are typically conducted in three sequential phases that may overlap or be combined:

- **Phase 1:** The product candidate is initially introduced into healthy human subjects and tested for safety, dosage tolerance, absorption, metabolism, distribution and excretion and, if possible, to gain an early indication of its effectiveness.
- **Phase 2:** The product candidate is administered to a limited patient population with a specified disease or condition to identify possible adverse effects and safety risks, to preliminarily evaluate the efficacy of the product candidate for specific targeted diseases and to determine dosage tolerance and appropriate dosage.
- **Phase 3:** The product candidate is administered to an expanded patient population to further evaluate dosage, to provide substantial evidence of efficacy and to further test for safety, generally at multiple geographically dispersed clinical trial sites. These clinical trials are intended to establish the overall risk-benefit ratio of the product candidate and provide an adequate basis for product labeling.

Post-approval trials, sometimes referred to as Phase 4 studies, may be conducted after BLA approval. These trials are used to gain additional experience from the treatment of patients in the intended therapeutic indication. In certain instances, the FDA may mandate the performance of Phase 4 clinical trials as a condition of approval of a BLA.

Concurrent with clinical trials, companies usually complete additional animal studies and must also develop additional information about the chemistry and physical characteristics of the biologic and finalize a process for manufacturing the product in commercial quantities in accordance with cGMPs. The manufacturing process must be capable of consistently producing quality batches of the product candidate and, among other things, the manufacturer must develop methods for testing the identity, strength, quality and purity of the final product. In addition, appropriate packaging must be selected and tested, and stability studies must be conducted to demonstrate that the product candidate does not undergo unacceptable deterioration over its shelf life.

BLA Review and Approval Process

Assuming successful completion of all required testing in accordance with applicable regulatory requirements, the results of product development, including among other things, results, from nonclinical studies and clinical trials, are submitted to the FDA as part of a BLA requesting approval to market the product candidate for one or more indications. The BLA must include all relevant data available from preclinical and clinical studies, including negative or ambiguous results as well as positive findings, together with detailed information relating to the product's chemistry, manufacturing, controls, and proposed labeling, among other things. Data can come from company-sponsored clinical studies, or from a number of alternative sources, such as studies initiated by investigators or other third parties. The submission of a BLA requires payment of a substantial user fee to FDA, and the sponsor of an approved BLA is also subject to an annual program fee. A waiver of user fees may be obtained under certain limited circumstances.

The FDA conducts a preliminary review of all BLAs within the first 60 days after submission, before accepting them for filing, to determine whether they are sufficiently complete to permit substantive review. The FDA may refuse to file any BLA that it deems incomplete or not properly reviewable at the time of submission and may request additional information. In this event, the BLA must be resubmitted with the additional information before FDA will review the application. Once filed, the FDA reviews a BLA to determine, among other things, whether the biologic is safe, pure and potent and the facility in which it is manufactured, processed, packed, or held meets standards designed to assure the product's continued safety, purity and potency. Under the Prescription Drug User Fee Act (PDUFA), guidelines that are currently in effect, the FDA has a goal of ten months from the date of "filing" of an original BLA to review and act on the submission. This review typically takes twelve months from the date the BLA is submitted to the FDA because the FDA has approximately two months to make a "filing" decision.

The FDA may refer an application for a novel biologic to an advisory committee. An advisory committee is a panel of independent experts, including clinicians and other scientific experts, that reviews, evaluates and provides a recommendation as to whether the application should be approved and under what conditions. The FDA is not bound by the recommendations of an advisory committee, but it considers such recommendations carefully when making decisions.

Before approving a BLA, the FDA will typically inspect the facility or facilities where the product is manufactured. Additionally, before approving a BLA, the FDA may inspect one or more clinical trial sites to assure compliance with GCPs. After the FDA evaluates a BLA and conducts inspections of manufacturing facilities where the investigational product and/or its substance will be produced, the FDA may issue an approval letter or a Complete Response Letter (CRL). An approval letter authorizes commercial marketing of the biologic with prescribing information for specific indications. A CRL indicates that the review cycle for the application is complete, and the application will not be approved in its present form. A CRL usually describes the specific deficiencies in the BLA identified by the FDA and may include requirements to conduct additional clinical trials,

or other significant and time-consuming requirements related to clinical data, nonclinical studies or manufacturing. If a CRL is issued, the sponsor must resubmit the BLA, addressing all of the deficiencies identified in the letter, or withdraw the application. Even if such data and information are submitted, the FDA may decide that the BLA does not satisfy the criteria for approval.

If a product receives regulatory approval, referred to as “licensure” by the FDA, such approval may be significantly limited to specific diseases and dosages, or the indications for use may otherwise be limited, which could restrict the commercial value of the product. In addition, the FDA may require a sponsor of an approved BLA to conduct post-marketing clinical trials designed to further assess a biologic’s safety, purity or potency, and may also require testing and surveillance programs to monitor the safety of the product, once commercialized, and may limit further marketing of the product based on the results of these post-marketing studies. The FDA may also place other conditions on BLA approval. Including the requirement for a risk evaluation and mitigation strategy (REMS) to assure the safe use of the product. If the FDA concludes a REMS is needed, the sponsor of the BLA must submit a proposed REMS in connection with the application. The FDA will not approve the BLA without an approved REMS, if required. A REMS could include medication guides, physician communication plans or elements to assure safe use, such as restricted distribution methods, patient registries and other risk minimization tools. Any of these limitations on approval or marketing could restrict the commercial promotion, distribution, prescription or dispensing of commercial products.

In addition, the Pediatric Research Equity Act (PREA), requires a sponsor to conduct pediatric clinical trials for most biologics, as well as for new indications, new dosage forms, new dosing regimens or new route of administrations. Under PREA, original BLAs and supplements must contain a pediatric assessment unless the sponsor has received a deferral or waiver. The required assessment must evaluate the safety and effectiveness of the product for the claimed indications in all relevant pediatric subpopulations and support dosing and administration for each pediatric subpopulation for which the product is deemed safe, pure and potent. The sponsor or FDA may request a deferral of pediatric clinical trials for some or all of the pediatric subpopulations. A deferral may be granted for several reasons, including a finding that the biologic is ready for approval for use in adults before pediatric clinical trials are complete or that additional data need to be collected before the pediatric clinical trials begin. The FDA must send a non-compliance letter to any sponsor that fails to submit the required assessment, keep a deferral current or fails to submit a request for approval of a pediatric formulation.

Orphan Designation

Under the Orphan Drug Act, the FDA may grant orphan designation to a biologic intended to treat a rare disease or condition, which is a disease or condition that affects fewer than 200,000 individuals in the United States or where, if the disease or condition affects more than 200,000 individuals in the United States, there is no reasonable expectation that the cost of developing and making the product available in the United States for this type of disease or condition will be recovered from sales of the product. Orphan designation must be requested before submitting a BLA. After the FDA grants orphan designation, the identity of the therapeutic agent and its potential orphan use are disclosed publicly by the FDA. Orphan designation does not convey any advantage in or shorten the duration of the regulatory review and approval process.

If a product that has orphan designation subsequently receives the first FDA approval for the disease or condition for which it has such designation, the product is entitled to orphan product exclusivity, which means that the FDA may not approve any other applications to market the same biologic for the same disease or condition for seven years, except in limited circumstances, such as a showing of clinical superiority to the product with orphan exclusivity or inability to manufacture the product in sufficient quantities. The designation of such biologic also entitles a party to financial incentives such as opportunities for grant funding towards clinical trial costs, tax advantages and user-fee waivers. However, competitors, may receive approval of different products for the disease or condition for which the orphan product has exclusivity, or obtain approval for the same product but for a different disease or condition for which the orphan product has exclusivity. Orphan exclusivity also could block the approval of a competing product for seven years if a competitor obtains approval

of the “same drug,” as defined by the FDA, or if a the biologic is determined to be contained within the competitor’s product for the same disease or condition. In addition, if an orphan-designated product receives approval for a disease or condition broader than covered in the orphan designation, the product may not be entitled to orphan exclusivity.

Expedited Development and Review Programs

The FDA has a number of programs intended to expedite the development or review of a marketing application for an investigational biologic. For example, the fast track designation program is intended to expedite or facilitate the process for developing and reviewing product candidates that meet certain criteria. Specifically, investigational biologics are eligible for fast track designation if they are intended to treat a serious or life-threatening disease or condition and demonstrate the potential to address unmet medical needs for the disease or condition. The sponsor of a fast track product candidate has opportunities for more frequent interactions with the applicable FDA review team during product development and, once a BLA is submitted, the application may be eligible for priority review. With regard to a fast track product candidate, the FDA may consider for review sections of the BLA on a rolling basis before the complete application is submitted, if the sponsor provides a schedule for the submission of the sections of the BLA, the FDA agrees to accept sections of the BLA and determines that the schedule is acceptable, and the sponsor pays any required user fees upon submission of the first section of the BLA.

A product candidate intended to treat a serious or life-threatening disease or condition may also be eligible for breakthrough therapy designation to expedite its development and review. A product candidate can receive breakthrough therapy designation if preliminary clinical evidence indicates that the product candidate, alone or in combination with one or more other drugs or biologics, may demonstrate substantial improvement over existing therapies on one or more clinically significant endpoints, such as substantial treatment effects observed early in clinical development. The designation includes all of the fast track program features, as well as more intensive FDA interaction and guidance beginning as early as Phase 1 and an organizational commitment to expedite the development and review of the product candidate, including involvement of senior managers.

Any product candidate submitted to the FDA for approval, including a product candidate with a fast track designation or breakthrough designation, may also be eligible for other types of FDA programs intended to expedite development and review, such as priority review and accelerated approval. A BLA is eligible for priority review if the product candidate is designed to treat a serious condition, and if approved, would provide a significant improvement in safety or efficacy compared to available therapies. The FDA will attempt to direct additional resources to the evaluation of a BLA designated for priority review in an effort to facilitate the review. The FDA endeavors to review applications with priority review designations within six months of the filing date as compared to ten months for review of original BLAs under its current PDUFA review goals.

In addition, a product candidate may be eligible for accelerated approval. A biological product candidate intended to treat serious or life-threatening diseases or conditions may be eligible for accelerated approval upon a determination that the product candidate has an effect on a surrogate endpoint that is reasonably likely to predict clinical benefit, or on a clinical endpoint that can be measured earlier than irreversible morbidity or mortality, that is reasonably likely to predict an effect on irreversible morbidity or mortality or other clinical benefit, taking into account the severity, rarity, or prevalence of the condition and the availability or lack of alternative treatments. As a condition of approval, the FDA generally requires that a sponsor of a biologic receiving accelerated approval perform adequate and well-controlled confirmatory clinical trials, and may require that such confirmatory trials be underway prior to granting accelerated approval. Biologics receiving accelerated approval may be subject to expedited withdrawal procedures if the sponsor fails to conduct the required confirmatory trials in a timely manner or if such trials fail to verify the predicted clinical benefit. In addition, the FDA currently requires as a condition of accelerated approval pre-approval of promotional materials, which could adversely impact the timing of the commercial launch of the product.

Fast track designation, breakthrough therapy designation, priority review, and accelerated approval do not change the standards for approval, but may expedite the development or approval process. Even if a product candidate qualifies for one or more of these programs, the FDA may later decide that the product no longer meets the conditions for qualification or decide that the time period for FDA review or approval will not be shortened.

Post-approval Requirements

Biologics are subject to pervasive and continuing regulation by the FDA, including, among other things, requirements relating to record-keeping, reporting of adverse experiences, periodic reporting, product sampling and distribution, and advertising and promotion of the product. After approval, most changes to the approved product, such as adding new indications or other labeling claims, are subject to prior FDA review and approval. There also are continuing, annual program fees for any marketed products. Biologic manufacturers and their subcontractors are required to register their establishments with the FDA and certain state agencies, and are subject to periodic unannounced inspections by the FDA and certain state agencies for compliance with cGMP, which impose certain procedural and documentation requirements upon us and our third-party manufacturers. Changes to the manufacturing process are strictly regulated, and, depending on the significance of the change, may require prior FDA approval before being implemented. FDA regulations also require investigation and correction of any deviations from cGMP and impose reporting requirements upon us and any third-party manufacturers that we may decide to use. Accordingly, manufacturers must continue to expend time, money and effort in the area of production and quality control to maintain compliance with cGMP and other aspects of regulatory compliance.

The FDA may withdraw approval if compliance with regulatory requirements and standards is not maintained or if problems occur after the product reaches the market. Later discovery of previously unknown problems with a product, including adverse events of unanticipated severity or frequency, or with manufacturing processes, or failure to comply with regulatory requirements, may result in revisions to the approved labeling to add new safety information; imposition of requirements for post-market studies or clinical studies to assess new safety risks; or imposition of distribution restrictions or other restrictions under a REMS program. Other potential consequences include, among other things:

- restrictions on the marketing or manufacturing of the product, complete withdrawal of the product from the market or product recalls;
- fines, warning letters, or untitled letters;
- clinical holds on ongoing or planned clinical studies;
- refusal of the FDA to approve pending applications or supplements to approved applications, or suspension or revocation of approvals;
- product seizure or detention, or refusal to permit the import or export of products;
- consent decrees, corporate integrity agreements, debarment or exclusion from federal healthcare programs;
- mandated modification of promotional materials and labeling and the issuance of corrective information;
- the issuance of safety alerts, Dear Healthcare Provider letters, press releases and other communications containing warnings or other safety information about the product; or
- injunctions or the imposition of civil or criminal penalties.

In addition, the FDA closely regulates the marketing, labeling, advertising and promotion of biological products. A company can make only those claims relating to safety and efficacy, purity and potency that are approved by the FDA and in accordance with the provisions of the approved label. The FDA and other agencies

actively enforce the laws and regulations prohibiting the promotion of off-label uses. Failure to comply with these requirements can result in, among other things, adverse publicity, warning letters, corrective advertising and potential civil and criminal penalties. Physicians may prescribe legally available products for uses that are not described in the product's labeling and that differ from those tested by us and approved by the FDA. Such off-label uses are common across medical specialties. Physicians may believe that such off-label uses are the best treatment for many patients in varied circumstances. The FDA does not regulate the behavior of physicians in their choice of treatments. The FDA does, however, restrict manufacturer's communications on the subject of off-label use of their products.

Biosimilars and Exclusivity

The Affordable Care Act, signed into law in 2010, includes a subtitle called the BPCIA, which created an abbreviated approval pathway for biological products that are biosimilar to or interchangeable with an FDA-licensed reference biological product. Biosimilarity, which requires that there be no clinically meaningful differences between the biological product and the reference product in terms of safety, purity, and potency, can be shown through analytical studies, animal studies, and a clinical study or studies. Interchangeability requires that a product is biosimilar to the reference product and the product must demonstrate that it can be expected to produce the same clinical results as the reference product in any given patient and, for products that are administered multiple times to an individual, the biologic and the reference biologic may be alternated or switched after one has been previously administered without increasing safety risks or risks of diminished efficacy relative to exclusive use of the reference biologic.

Under the BPCIA, an application for a biosimilar product may not be submitted to the FDA until four years following the date that the reference product was first licensed by the FDA. In addition, the approval of a biosimilar product may not be made effective by the FDA until 12 years from the date on which the reference product was first licensed. During this 12-year period of exclusivity, another company may still market a competing version of the reference product if the FDA approves a full BLA for the competing product containing that applicant's own preclinical data and data from adequate and well-controlled clinical trials to demonstrate the safety, purity and potency of its product. The BPCIA also created certain exclusivity periods for biosimilars approved as interchangeable products. At this juncture, it is unclear whether products deemed "interchangeable" by the FDA will, in fact, be readily substituted by pharmacies, which are governed by state pharmacy law.

A biological product can also obtain pediatric market exclusivity in the United States. Pediatric exclusivity, if granted, adds six months to existing exclusivity periods and patent terms. This six-month exclusivity, which runs from the end of other exclusivity protection or patent term, may be granted based on the voluntary completion of a pediatric study in accordance with an FDA-issued "Written Request" for such a study.

Other Healthcare Laws

Pharmaceutical companies are subject to additional healthcare regulation and enforcement by the federal government and by authorities in the states and foreign jurisdictions in which they conduct their business. Such laws include, without limitation, U.S. federal and state anti-kickback, fraud and abuse, false claims, pricing reporting, and physician payment transparency laws and regulations regarding drug pricing and payments or other transfers of value made to physicians and other licensed healthcare professionals as well as similar foreign laws in the jurisdictions outside the United States. Violation of any of such laws or any other governmental regulations that apply may result in significant penalties, including, without limitation, administrative civil and criminal penalties, damages, disgorgement fines, additional reporting requirements and oversight obligations, contractual damages, the curtailment or restructuring of operations, exclusion from participation in governmental healthcare programs and/ or imprisonment.

Coverage and Reimbursement

Successful sales of our drug candidates in the U.S. market, if approved, will depend, in part, on the extent to which our drugs will be covered by third-party payors, such as government health programs or private health insurance (including managed care plans). Patients generally rely on such third-party payors to reimburse all or part of the costs associated with their prescriptions and therefore adequate coverage and reimbursement from such third-party payors are critical to new and ongoing product acceptance. Coverage and reimbursement policies for drug products can differ significantly from payor to payor as there is no uniform policy of coverage and reimbursement for drug products among third-party payors in the United States. There may be significant delays in obtaining coverage and reimbursement as the process of determining coverage and reimbursement is often time consuming and costly. Further, third-party payors are increasingly reducing reimbursements for medical drugs and services and implementing measures to control utilization of drugs (such as requiring prior authorization for coverage). For products administered under the supervision of a physician, obtaining coverage and adequate reimbursement may be particularly difficult because of the higher prices often associated with such drugs. Additionally, separate reimbursement for the product itself or the treatment or procedure in which the product is used may not be available, which may impact physician utilization.

Additionally, the containment of healthcare costs has become a priority of federal and state governments, and the prices of drugs have been a focus in this effort. The U.S. government, state legislatures and foreign governments have shown significant interest in implementing cost-containment programs, including price controls, restrictions on reimbursement and requirements for substitution of generic drugs. Adoption or expansion of price controls and cost-containment measures could further limit our net revenue and results. Decreases in third-party reimbursement for our drug candidates, if approved, or a decision by a third-party payor to not cover our drug candidates could have a material adverse effect on our sales, results of operations and financial condition.

General legislative cost control measures may also affect reimbursement for our products. If we obtain approval to market a drug candidate in the United States, we may be subject to spending reductions affecting Medicare, Medicaid or other publicly funded or subsidized health programs and/or any significant taxes or fees.

U.S. Healthcare Reform

The U.S. government, state legislatures, and foreign governments have shown significant interest in implementing cost containment programs to limit the growth of government-paid healthcare costs, including price-controls, restrictions on reimbursement, and requirements for substitution of generic products for branded prescription drugs.

For example, in March 2010, the Affordable Care Act (ACA), was enacted in the United States and substantially changed the way healthcare is financed by both the government and private insurers. The ACA contains provisions that may reduce the profitability of drug products. Among other things, the ACA established an annual, nondeductible fee on any entity that manufactures or imports specified branded prescription drugs and biologic agents; extended manufacturers' Medicaid rebate liability to covered drugs dispensed to individuals who are enrolled in Medicaid managed care organizations; expanded eligibility criteria for Medicaid programs; expanded the entities eligible for discounts under the 340B drug pricing program; and increased the statutory minimum rebates a manufacturer must pay under the Medicaid Drug Rebate Program. Since its enactment, there have been executive, judicial and Congressional challenges to certain aspects of the ACA. On June 17, 2021, the U.S. Supreme Court dismissed the most recent judicial challenge to the ACA brought by several states without specifically ruling on the constitutionality of the ACA. Thus, the ACA will remain in effect in its current form.

In addition, other legislative changes have been proposed and adopted since the ACA was enacted. On March 11, 2021, President Biden signed the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 into law, which eliminates the statutory Medicaid drug rebate cap, for single source and innovator multiple source drugs, beginning January 1,

2024. The rebate was previously capped at 100% of a drug's average manufacturer price. Additionally, there has been heightened governmental scrutiny in the United States of pharmaceutical pricing practices in light of the rising cost of prescription drugs and biologics. Such scrutiny has resulted in several recent Congressional inquiries, presidential executive orders and proposed and enacted federal and state legislation designed to, among other things, bring more transparency to product pricing, review the relationship between pricing and manufacturer patient programs, and reform government program reimbursement methodologies for products.

Most recently, on August 16, 2022, President Biden signed the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022 (IRA) into law. Among other things, the IRA requires manufacturers of certain drugs to engage in price negotiations with Medicare (beginning in 2026), with prices that can be negotiated subject to a cap; imposes rebates under Medicare Part B and Medicare Part D to penalize price increases that outpace inflation (first due in 2023); and replaces the Part D coverage gap discount program with a new discounting program (beginning in 2025). The IRA permits the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to implement many of these provisions through guidance, as opposed to regulation, for the initial years. On August 29, 2023, HHS announced the list of the first ten drugs that will be subject to price negotiations, although the Medicare drug price negotiation program is currently subject to legal challenges.

At the state level, legislatures have increasingly passed legislation and implemented regulations designed to control pharmaceutical and biological product pricing, including price or reimbursement constraints, discounts, restrictions on certain product access and marketing cost disclosure and transparency measures, and, in some cases, designed to encourage importation from other countries and bulk purchasing. In addition, regional healthcare authorities and individual hospitals are increasingly using bidding procedures to determine what pharmaceutical products and which suppliers will be included in their prescription drug and other healthcare programs.

Existing healthcare reform measures, as well as the implementation of additional cost containment measures or other reforms may prevent us from being able to generate revenue, attain profitability or commercialize our product candidates, if approved.

Data Privacy and Security Laws

Numerous state, federal, and foreign laws, regulations and standards govern the collection, use, access to, confidentiality, and security of health-related and other personal information, and could apply now or in the future to our operations or the operations of our partners. In the United States, numerous federal and state laws and regulations, including data breach notification laws, health information privacy and security laws, and consumer protection laws and regulations govern the collection, use, disclosure, and protection of health-related and other personal information. In addition, certain foreign laws govern the privacy and security of personal data, including health-related data. Privacy and security laws, regulations, and other obligations are constantly evolving, may conflict with each other to complicate compliance efforts, and can result in investigations, proceedings, or actions that lead to significant civil and/or criminal penalties and restrictions on data processing.

Employees and Human Capital Resources

As of December 31, 2023, we had 61 employees, all of whom were full-time and 44 of whom were engaged in research and development activities. Thirteen of our employees hold Ph.D. or M.D. degrees. All laboratory personnel and our administrative team are based in and around Irvine, CA. None of our employees are represented by a labor union or covered under a collective bargaining agreement. We consider our relationship with our employees to be good.

Our human capital resources objectives include, as applicable: identifying, recruiting, retaining, incentivizing and integrating our existing and new employees, advisors and consultants. The principal purposes of our equity and cash incentive plans are to attract, retain and reward personnel through the granting of stock-based and cash-based compensation awards, in order to increase stockholder value and the success of our company by motivating such individuals to perform to the best of their abilities and achieve our objectives.

Facilities

We currently lease approximately 1,249 square feet of laboratory and office space in and around Irvine, CA. We believe these facilities will be adequate for the foreseeable future and that suitable additional or substitute space will be available as and when needed.

Legal Proceedings

From time to time, we may be subject to legal proceedings. We are not currently a party to or aware of any proceedings that we believe will have, individually or in the aggregate, a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations. Regardless of outcome, litigation can have an adverse impact on us because of defense and settlement costs, diversion of management resources, and other factors.

MANAGEMENT

Executive Officers and Directors

The following table sets forth the name, age and position of each of our executive officers and directors as of January 16, 2024.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Position(s)</u>
<i>Executive Officers and Employee Directors</i>		
Arthur Kuan	33	Chairman and Chief Executive Officer
Ambaw Bellete	53	President and Chief Operating Officer
Corleen Roche	58	Chief Financial Officer and Secretary
Vijay Kasturi, M.D.	56	Chief Medical Officer
<i>Non-Employee Directors</i>		
Susan Graf ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	51	Director
Brian Liu, M.D. ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	35	Director
James J. Mulé, IPh.D.	71	Director
Leonard Post, Ph.D. ⁽¹⁾⁽³⁾	71	Director
Hong Fang “Simone” Song ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	58	Director
Victor Tong, Jr. ⁽³⁾	40	Director

(1) Member of the compensation committee.

(2) Member of the audit committee.

(3) Member of the nominating and corporate governance committee.

Executive Officers

Arthur Kuan has served as our Chief Executive Officer and as a member of our board of directors since our inception in 2017, and as Chairman since December 2023. Mr. Kuan is also a founding member of Ally Bridge Group, a global healthcare-focused investment platform, and serves on the IP Commercialization Strategy Committee at Moffit Cancer Center. Previously, Mr. Kuan was a member of Themes Investment Partners, a Private Equity fund based in Hong Kong, where he played a central role in coordinating cross-border technology transfer and regulatory submissions for portfolio companies. Mr. Kuan began his career in an operational role at Dinova Capital, a Shanghai-based, medical technology incubator fund, evaluating medical device investment opportunities. Mr. Kuan received his M.S. in Biotechnology from the Johns Hopkins University and his B.A. in Biology from the University of Pennsylvania. Mr. Kuan’s knowledge of our business and experience investing in a number of biopharmaceutical companies contributed to our board of directors’ conclusion that he should serve as a director of our company.

Ambaw Bellete has served as our President and Chief Operating Officer since July 2023. Previously, Mr. Bellete served as Chief Executive Officer of Lion Healthcare Strategies, a strategic advisory firm, from April 2021 to August 2023, and Chief Operating Officer of FerGene, a gene therapy company dedicated to revolutionizing the treatment of bladder cancer, from March 2020 to March 2021. Prior to FerGene, Mr. Bellete served as the president of Photocure, a company focused on developing and commercializing pharmaceutical products based on photodynamic technology to treat bladder cancer, and also held several global leadership positions with biopharma, biotech and medical device companies, including President of Medical Compression Systems from January 2012 to July 2019. Mr. Bellete started his biopharma career at the Upjohn Company (now Pfizer) and then Sanofi, where he held diverse leadership roles in business development, managed care, marketing and sales positions in specialty, oncology and urology. Mr. Bellete currently serves on the board of directors The Axiom REACH Foundation and OncoSTING. Mr. Bellete holds a B.S. in Biology and Chemistry from Murray State University.

Corleen Roche has served as our Chief Financial Officer and Secretary since January 2024. Previously, Ms. Roche served as the Chief Financial Officer of Immunome, Inc., a publicly-traded biotechnology company, from April 2021 to January 2024. Prior to Immunome, Ms. Roche served as the Chief Financial Officer, U.S. of Biogen Inc. from 2019 until April 2021, and served as the Chief Financial Officer U.S. Biopharma for Sandoz, a division of Novartis, from 2015 to 2019. Ms. Roche began her career at PricewaterhouseCoopers and has served as Chief Financial Officer at other companies including IoGenetics, Inc. and the Global Vaccines business unit at Wyeth Pharmaceuticals. Ms. Roche holds a B.A. in Accountancy from Villanova University.

Vijay Kasturi has served as our Chief Medical Officer since September 2023. Previously, Dr. Kasturi was Vice President of Clinical Development and Medical Affairs of AVEO Pharmaceuticals, a cancer therapeutics company, from April 2021 to August 2023. Prior to AVEO Pharmaceuticals, Dr. Kasturi was Senior Vice President of Scientific Affairs at FerGene from March 2020 to March 2021. Prior to FerGene, Dr. Kasturi was head of U.S. Medical Affairs, Oncology for EMD Serono, a pharmaceutical company focused on reproductive health, multiple sclerosis and cancer, from November 2015 to March 2020, where he had responsibility for developing global and regional strategies that brought new therapies to patients in immunology, hematology and oncology. Earlier in his career, Dr. Kasturi treated patients with cancer and served as an assistant professor of medicine, Division of Hematology-Oncology at the University of Massachusetts Medical School and as the program leader for genitourinary oncology at UMass Memorial Cancer Center. Dr. Kasturi trained in Hematology-Oncology at the National Cancer Institute (NCI) and worked as an investigator and physician at the NCI and Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center. Dr. Kasturi holds an M.D. from Rush Medical College of Rush University and a B.S. in Biology from University of Illinois, Chicago.

Non-Employee Directors

Susan Graf has served as a member of our board of directors since November 2023. Ms. Graf is currently a Senior Advisor and Entrepreneur in Residence at Locust Walk Partners, LLC, a global life science transaction firm. Ms. Graf previously served as Chief Executive Officer of biotechnology company Akamara Therapeutics from August 2019 to May 2021. Prior to Akamara Therapeutics, Ms. Graf was Chief Business Officer and Principal Financial Officer at Epizyme, a biopharmaceutical company, from April 2016 to September 2018. Prior to Epizyme, Ms. Graf held the position of Vice President, Corporate Development and Strategy for NPS Pharma before it was acquired by Shire in 2015. Earlier in her career, Ms. Graf spent nearly 18 years at Roche in a number of leadership and executive positions. Ms. Graf currently chairs the board of directors and audit committee of Finch Therapeutics, a publicly-traded microbiome therapeutics company and serves on the board of directors of Kaléo, a privately held pharmaceutical company. Ms. Graf has an M.B.A. from the Stern School of Business at New York University and a B.Pharm. from Purdue University. Ms. Graf's extensive experience in the life sciences industry and her financial expertise contributed to our board of directors' conclusion that she should serve as a director of our company.

Brian Liu, M.D. has served as a member of our board of directors since September 2022. Dr. Liu is a Managing Director at Longitude Capital, a healthcare venture capital firm, where he has been employed since 2018. Prior to joining Longitude Capital, Dr. Liu was an Engagement Manager in the pharmaceuticals practice of McKinsey & Company from January 2016 to July 2018. Dr. Liu currently serves on the board of directors of Lassen Therapeutics and as a board observer at Quanta Therapeutics., Rivus Pharmaceuticals and Zenas BioPharma. Dr. Liu previously served as a board observer at Endeavor Biomedicines, Inflazome (acquired by Roche Holding), Dascena Lab, Talaris Therapeutics, and Vera Therapeutics. Dr. Liu holds an M.D. from Stanford School of Medicine and a B.S. in Biomedical Engineering from Johns Hopkins University. Dr. Liu's investment experience in the pharmaceutical industry and prior board experience contributed to our board of directors' conclusion that he should serve as a director of our company.

James J. Mulé, IPh.D. has served as a member of our board of directors since 2018. Dr. Mulé has served as Associate Center Director for Translational Science and the Michael McGillicuddy (U.S. Senator Connie Mack (ret.) & Family) Endowed Chair for Melanoma Research and Treatment since 2003 and is the Associate Center Director of the Moffitt Cancer Center, Tampa, Florida, where he has served as a Director since 2003. Since 1993,

Dr. Mulé has served multiple tenures as a special government employee to the FDA at the Center for Drug Evaluation and Research and at the Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research and to the National Cancer Institute (NCI). Dr. Mulé also served on the board of directors of publicly-traded company Fulgent Genetics from 2016 to 2020. Dr. Mulé serves on the advisory boards of numerous biotechnology companies, pharmaceutical companies, NCI-designated cancer centers and investment funds, including Buffett Cancer Center, Omaha; Masonic Cancer Center, Minneapolis; Affymune Therapeutics; Aleta Biotherapeutics; OncoPep; Turnstone Biologics; UbiVac; Vault Pharma; Vycellix; and Noble Life Science Partners. Dr. Mulé holds an Interdisciplinary Ph.D. in Tumor Immunology, Immunocytology, and Immunopathology from the University of Washington and the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, Seattle, Washington, a M.S. in Cellular Immunology from the University of Washington School of Medicine and a B.A. from New Jersey City University. Dr. Mulé received his formal postgraduate training at the Surgery Branch, Division of Cancer Treatment, NCI, National Institutes of Health (NIH), Bethesda, Maryland. Dr. Mulé has held tenured senior positions at the NCI/NIH and the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. Dr. Mulé's extensive regulatory, basic, translational and clinical research as well as administration leadership experience in both non-profit and for-profit entities and the biopharmaceutical industry contributed to our board of directors' conclusion that he should serve as a director of our company.

Leonard Post, Ph.D. has served as a member of our board of directors since 2018. Dr. Post has over three decades of pharmaceutical R&D experience. Since July 2016, Dr. Post has served as Chief Scientific Officer of Vivace Therapeutics, an oncology company working on small molecules targeting the hippo pathway, and is also Chief Scientific Officer of its sister company Virtuoso Therapeutics, a company working on bispecific antibodies for oncology. From February 2010 until June 2016, Dr. Post worked at BioMarin, in various positions including Chief Scientific Officer. During that time, he oversaw the initiation of BioMarin's first gene therapy project for hemophilia A. Prior to that, Dr. Post served as Chief Scientific Officer of LEAD Therapeutics, Senior Vice President of Research & Development at Onyx Pharmaceuticals, and Vice President of Discovery Research at Parke-Davis Pharmaceuticals. Dr. Post is also currently an advisor to Canaan Partners. Mr. Post currently serves on the board of directors of uniQure, a publicly-traded biopharmaceutical company, and several privately-held biopharmaceutical companies. Dr. Post also previously served on the board of directors of publicly-traded genetic diagnostics company Fulgent Genetics from August 2022 to October 2022. Dr. Post is a virologist by training and did early work on engineering of herpes simplex virus as a postdoctoral fellow. Dr. Post has a B.S. in Chemistry from the University of Michigan, and a Ph.D. in Biochemistry from the University of Wisconsin. Dr. Post's extensive experience in the biotechnology industry, and specifically in oncolytic viruses, contributed to our board of directors' conclusion that he should serve as a director of our company.

Simone Song has served as a member of our board of directors since November 2015. Ms. Song is the Founder and has been a Senior Partner of ORI Capital Limited, a venture capital firm, since July 2015. Prior to ORI Capital, Ms. Song served as the Head of Healthcare Investment Banking for Greater China for Goldman Sachs. Prior to Goldman Sachs, Ms. Song was a Managing Director of Cowen, a member of the advisory board of AXA Investment Managers, a global investment management firm, and an executive board advisor to AXA Asia Pacific Holdings Limited. Ms. Song holds a B.A. in Economics from Fudan University and an M.A. in Economics from Claremont Graduate School. Ms. Song's extensive experience in the healthcare sector contributed to our board of directors' conclusion that she should serve as a director of our company.

Victor Tong, Jr. has served as a member of our board of directors since July 2023. Mr. Tong is a Managing Director at Decheng Capital (Decheng), an investment firm, where he has worked since its inception in 2012 and focuses on investments in biotechnology and medical technology companies in China and the United States. Before joining Decheng, Mr. Tong was a Principal at Bay City Capital, a life sciences investment firm, and a member of the healthcare investment banking division at Morgan Stanley. Mr. Tong serves on the board of directors of multiple privately held biotechnology and biopharmaceutical companies including Cellares Corp., EpimAb Biotherapeutics, Harton Therapeutics, Hummingbird Bioscience, LevitasBio, Nalu Medical, Take2, and Watchmaker Genomics. Mr. Tong holds a B.A. in Molecular and Cell Biology and B.S. in Business

Administration from the University of California, Berkeley. Mr. Tong's investment and board experience in the biopharmaceutical industry contributed to our board of directors' conclusion that he should serve as a director of our company.

Family Relationships

There are no family relationships among any of our executive officers or directors.

Board Composition and Election of Directors

Director Independence

Our board of directors currently consists of seven members. Our board of directors has determined that all of our directors, other than Mr. Kuan, are independent directors in accordance with the listing requirements of the Nasdaq Stock Market (Nasdaq). The Nasdaq independence definition includes a series of objective tests, including that the director is not, and has not been for at least three years, one of our employees and that neither the director nor any of his or her family members has engaged in various types of business dealings with us. In addition, as required by Nasdaq rules, our board of directors has made a subjective determination as to each independent director that no relationships exist, which, in the opinion of our board of directors, would interfere with the exercise of independent judgment in carrying out the responsibilities of the director. In making these determinations, our board of directors reviewed and discussed information provided by the directors and us with regard to each director's business and personal activities and relationships as they may relate to us and our management. There are no family relationships among any of our directors or executive officers.

Classified Board of Directors

In accordance with the terms of our amended and restated certificate of incorporation that will go into effect immediately prior to the closing of this offering, our board of directors will be divided into three classes with staggered, three-year terms. At each annual meeting of stockholders, the directors whose terms then expire will be eligible for reelection until the third annual meeting following reelection. Effective upon the closing of this offering, our directors will be divided among the three classes as follows:

- the Class I directors will be Mr. Kuan, Dr. Mulé and Dr. Post, and their terms will expire at our first annual meeting of stockholders following this offering;
- the Class II directors will be Ms. Song and Mr. Tong, and their terms will expire at our second annual meeting of stockholders following this offering; and
- the Class III directors will be Ms. Graf and Dr. Liu, and their terms will expire at our third annual meeting of stockholders following this offering.

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation that will go into effect immediately prior to the closing of this offering will provide that the authorized number of directors may be changed only by resolution of the board of directors. Any additional directorships resulting from an increase in the number of directors will be distributed among the three classes so that, as nearly as possible, each class will consist of one-third of the directors. The division of our board of directors into three classes with staggered three-year terms may delay or prevent a change of our board of directors or a change in control of our company. Our directors may be removed only for cause by the affirmative vote of the holders of at least two-thirds of our outstanding voting stock then entitled to vote in an election of directors.

Board Leadership Structure

Our board of directors is currently chaired by Arthur Kuan, our Chief Executive Officer. The board of directors has appointed Leonard Post, Ph.D., as our lead independent director. Our board of directors recognizes

that it is important to determine an optimal board leadership structure to ensure the independent oversight of management as the company continues to grow. The lead independent director is chosen by the independent members of the board of directors. We believe that this separation of responsibilities ensures the appropriate level of oversight, independence and responsibility is applied to all board decisions.

The duties of our lead independent director include the following:

- chairing meetings of the independent directors in executive session;
- facilitating communications between other members of our board and our chairman and Chief Executive Officer;
- reviewing and approving matters, such as agenda items, schedule sufficiency, and, where appropriate, information provided to other board members;
- consulting with our chairman and Chief Executive Officer on matters relating to corporate governance and board performance; and
- performing such other duties as the board may determine from time to time.

We believe that this separation of responsibilities provides a balanced approach to managing the board of directors and overseeing our company. Our board of directors has concluded that our current leadership structure is appropriate at this time. However, our board of directors will continue to periodically review our leadership structure and may make such changes in the future as it deems appropriate.

Role of Board in Risk Oversight Process

Our board of directors has responsibility for the oversight of our risk management processes and, either as a whole or through its committees, regularly discusses with management our major risk exposures, their potential impact on our business and the steps we take to manage them. The risk oversight process includes receiving regular reports from board committees and members of senior management to enable our board of directors to understand our risk identification, risk management and risk mitigation strategies with respect to areas of potential material risk, including operations, finance, legal, regulatory, strategic and reputational risk.

The audit committee reviews information regarding liquidity and operations, and oversees our management of financial risks. Periodically, the audit committee reviews our policies with respect to risk assessment, risk management, loss prevention and regulatory compliance. Oversight by the audit committee includes direct communication with our external auditors, and discussions with management regarding significant risk exposures and the actions management has taken to limit, monitor or control such exposures. The compensation committee is responsible for assessing whether any of our compensation policies or programs has the potential to encourage excessive risk-taking. The nominating and corporate governance committee manages risks associated with the independence of the board of directors, corporate disclosure practices and potential conflicts of interest. While each committee is responsible for evaluating certain risks and overseeing the management of such risks, the entire board of directors is regularly informed through committee reports about such risks. Matters of significant strategic risk are considered by our board of directors as a whole.

Board Committees and Independence

Our board of directors has established three standing committees – audit, compensation and nominating and corporate governance – each of which operates under a charter that has been approved by our board of directors.

Audit Committee

The audit committee's main function is to oversee our accounting and financial reporting processes and the audits of our financial statements. This committee's responsibilities include, among other things:

- appointing our independent registered public accounting firm;
- evaluating the qualifications, independence and performance of our independent registered public accounting firm;
- approving the audit and non-audit services to be performed by our independent registered public accounting firm;
- reviewing the design, implementation, adequacy and effectiveness of our internal accounting controls and our critical accounting policies;
- discussing with management and the independent registered public accounting firm the results of our annual audit and the review of our quarterly unaudited financial statements;
- reviewing, overseeing and monitoring the integrity of our financial statements and our compliance with legal and regulatory requirements as they relate to financial statements or accounting matters;
- reviewing on a periodic basis, or as appropriate, any investment policy and recommending to our board of directors any changes to such investment policy;
- reviewing with management and our auditors any earnings announcements and other public announcements regarding our results of operations;
- preparing the report that the SEC requires in our annual proxy statement;
- reviewing and approving any related party transactions and reviewing and monitoring compliance with our code of conduct and ethics; and
- reviewing and evaluating, at least annually, the performance of the audit committee and its members including compliance of the audit committee with its charter.

The members of our audit committee are Ms. Graf, Dr. Liu and Ms. Song. Ms. Graf serves as the chairperson of the committee. All members of our audit committee meet the requirements for financial literacy under the applicable rules and regulations of the SEC and Nasdaq. Our board of directors has determined that Ms. Graf is an "audit committee financial expert" as defined by applicable SEC rules and has the requisite financial sophistication as defined under the applicable Nasdaq listing standards. Our board of directors has determined that each of Ms. Graf, Dr. Liu and Ms. Song is independent under the applicable rules of the SEC and Nasdaq. Upon the listing of our common stock on Nasdaq, the audit committee will operate under a written charter that satisfies the applicable standards of the SEC and Nasdaq.

Compensation Committee

Our compensation committee approves policies relating to compensation and benefits of our officers and employees. The compensation committee approves corporate goals and objectives relevant to the compensation of our Chief Executive Officer and other executive officers, evaluates the performance of these officers in light of those goals and objectives and approves the compensation of these officers based on such evaluations. The compensation committee also approves the issuance of stock options and other awards under our equity plans. The compensation committee will review and evaluate, at least annually, the performance of the compensation committee and its members, including compliance by the compensation committee with its charter.

The members of our compensation committee are Dr. Liu, Dr. Post and Ms. Song. Ms. Song serves as the chairperson of the committee. Our board of directors has determined that each of Dr. Liu, Dr. Post and Ms. Song is independent under the applicable Nasdaq listing standards and is a "non-employee director" as defined in Rule 16b-3

promulgated under the Exchange Act. Upon the listing of our common stock on Nasdaq, the compensation committee will operate under a written charter, which the compensation committee will review and evaluate at least annually.

Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee

The nominating and corporate governance committee is responsible for assisting our board of directors in discharging the board of directors' responsibilities regarding the identification of qualified candidates to become board members, the selection of nominees for election as directors at our annual meetings of stockholders (or special meetings of stockholders at which directors are to be elected), and the selection of candidates to fill any vacancies on our board of directors and any committees thereof. In addition, the nominating and corporate governance committee is responsible for overseeing our corporate governance policies, reporting and making recommendations to our board of directors concerning governance matters, reviewing and assisting the board of directors with oversight of matters relating to environmental, social and governance matters affecting the company and oversight of the evaluation of our board of directors. The members of our nominating and corporate governance committee are Ms. Graf, Dr. Post and Mr. Tong. Mr. Tong serves as the chairperson of the committee. Our board of directors has determined that each of Ms. Graf, Dr. Post and Mr. Tong is independent under the applicable Nasdaq listing standards. Upon the listing of our common stock on Nasdaq, the nominating and corporate governance committee will operate under a written charter, which the nominating and corporate governance committee will review and evaluate at least annually.

Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation

None of the members of our compensation committee has ever been one of our officers or employees. None of our executive officers currently serves, or has served, as a member of the board of directors or compensation committee of any entity that has one or more executive officers serving as a member of our board of directors or compensation committee.

Board Diversity

Upon the closing of this offering, our nominating and corporate governance committee will be responsible for reviewing with the board of directors, on an annual basis, the appropriate characteristics, skills and experience required for the board of directors as a whole and its individual members. In evaluating the suitability of individual candidates (both new candidates and current members) for election or appointment, the nominating and corporate governance committee and the board of directors will take into account many factors, including the following:

- personal and professional integrity, ethics and values;
- experience in corporate management, such as serving as an officer or former officer of a publicly-held company;
- experience as a board member or executive officer of another publicly-held company;
- strong finance experience;
- diversity of expertise and experience in substantive matters pertaining to our business relative to other board members;
- diversity of background and perspective, including, but not limited to, with respect to age, gender, race, place of residence and specialized experience;
- experience relevant to our business industry and with relevant social policy concerns; and
- relevant academic expertise or other proficiency in an area of our business operations.

Currently, our board of directors evaluates, and following the closing of this offering will evaluate, each individual in the context of the board of directors as a whole, with the objective of assembling a group that can best maximize the success of the business and represent stockholder interests through the exercise of sound judgment using its diversity of experience in these various areas.

Code of Business Conduct and Ethics

We have adopted a written code of business conduct and ethics that applies to our directors, officers and employees, including our principal executive officer, principal financial officer, principal accounting officer or controller, or persons performing similar functions, which will be effective upon the closing of this offering. Upon the closing of this offering, our code of business conduct and ethics will be available under the Corporate Governance section of our website at <https://cgoncology.com>. In addition, we intend to post on our website all disclosures that are required by law or the listing standards of Nasdaq concerning any amendments to, or waivers from, any provision of the code. We have included our website address in this prospectus solely as an inactive textual reference. The reference to our website address does not constitute incorporation by reference of the information contained at or available through our website, and you should not consider it to be a part of this prospectus.

EXECUTIVE AND DIRECTOR COMPENSATION**Overview**

Our named executive officers for 2023, which consist of our principal executive officer during 2023 and our two next most highly compensated executive officers during 2023, are:

- Arthur Kuan, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer;
- Ambaw Bellete, President and Chief Operating Officer; and
- Vijay Kasturi, M.D., Chief Medical Officer.

Mr. Bellete joined the company as President and Chief Operating Officer in July 2023 and Dr. Kasturi joined as Chief Medical Officer in August 2023. Corleen Roche, our Chief Financial Officer and Secretary, commenced employment in January 2024 and is therefore not included as a named executive for 2023. However, we describe the employment arrangements with Ms. Roche in connection with her commencement of employment below.

This discussion may contain forward-looking statements that are based on our current plans, considerations, expectations, and determinations regarding future compensation programs. Actual compensation programs that we adopt following the closing of this offering may differ materially from the currently planned programs summarized in this discussion.

The following table sets forth information regarding compensation earned with respect to the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023 by our named executive officers.

2023 Summary Compensation Table

Name and Principal Position	Year	Salary (\$)	Bonus (\$)	Option Awards (\$)⁽¹⁾	Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation (\$)	All Other Compensation (\$)⁽³⁾	Total (\$)
Arthur Kuan	2023	449,000	—	3,293,022	(4)	2,974	3,744,996
<i>Chairman and Chief Executive Officer</i>	2022	394,000	—	694,269	140,000 ⁽²⁾	1,130	1,229,399
Ambaw Bellete, <i>President and Chief Operating Officer⁽⁶⁾</i>	2023	322,000	189,500 ⁽⁵⁾	1,967,465	(4)	369,970	2,848,935
Vijay Kasturi, <i>Chief Medical Officer⁽⁶⁾</i>	2023	152,000	56,000 ⁽⁵⁾	2,144,844	(4)	4,240	2,357,084

- (1) The amounts reported in the "Option Awards" column represent the aggregate grant date fair value of the stock options awarded to our named executive officers during the applicable fiscal year, calculated in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB), Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) Topic 718. The assumptions used in calculating the grant date fair value of the awards reported in this column are set forth in our financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus. The amounts reported in this column reflect the accounting cost for the stock options and do not reflect the actual economic value that will be realized by the individual upon the vesting of the stock options, the exercise of the stock options or the sale of the common stock underlying such awards. See the subsection "—Narrative to Summary Compensation Table—Equity-Based Incentive Awards" below.
- (2) Amount reflects a performance bonus earned by Mr. Kuan in 2022, which was paid in early 2023.
- (3) Amounts reflect \$9,919 and \$2,217 in 401(k) matching contributions for Mr. Bellete and Dr. Kasturi, respectively, \$760, \$317 and \$253 in company-paid premiums for long-term disability insurance for Mr. Kuan, Mr. Bellete and Dr. Kasturi, respectively, \$666, \$278 and \$222 in company-paid premiums for life insurance for Mr. Kuan, Mr. Bellete and Dr. Kasturi, respectively, and \$1,548 related to a company-paid holiday-related gift for each of Mr. Kuan, Mr. Bellete and Dr. Kasturi. Amount for Mr. Bellete also reflects \$357,908 for his services as a consultant to the company during 2023 prior to his commencement of employment.
- (4) Amounts reflect performance bonuses earned by each executive in 2023, which will be paid in early 2024. Bonus amounts for 2023 are not calculable as of the date of this prospectus. It is anticipated that 2023 bonus amounts will be determined in the first quarter of 2024, at which time the company will disclose the amounts of such bonuses.
- (5) Amounts reflect one-time sign-on bonuses paid to Mr. Bellete and Dr. Kasturi in connection with their commencement of employment with the company in July 2023 and August 2023, respectively.
- (6) The annual base salaries for Mr. Bellete and Dr. Kasturi were each prorated for the portion of the year employed in 2023.

Narrative to Summary Compensation Table

Annual Base Salary

The compensation of our named executive officers is generally determined and approved by our board of directors. The 2023 base salaries of each of our named executive officers are described under the subsection titled “—Employment Arrangements with our Named Executive Officers” below.

Annual Bonus

In addition to base salaries, our named executive officers are eligible to receive annual performance-based cash bonuses, which are designed to provide appropriate incentives to our executives to achieve annual corporate goals and to reward our executives for individual achievement towards these goals. The annual performance-based bonus each named executive officer is eligible to receive is based on the extent to which we achieve the corporate goals that our board of directors establishes each year. At the end of the year, our board of directors reviews our performance against each corporate goal and determines the extent to which we achieved each of our corporate goals.

For 2023, Mr. Kuan, Mr. Bellete, and Dr. Kasturi were each eligible to earn a target annual bonus equal to 40% of their respective annual base salaries. The annual bonus for Dr. Kasturi will be prorated for the portion of the year employed in 2023.

The corporate goals the board of directors established for 2023 related to regulatory, clinical and development goals, as well as operational objectives. Bonuses are usually determined and paid in the first quarter of the following year. Accordingly, bonus compensation for our executive officers for 2023 has not yet been determined as of the date of filing of this prospectus.

In connection with this offering, the target annual bonuses for Mr. Kuan and Mr. Bellete will increase to 55% and 45% of annual base salary, respectively, effective upon the closing of the offering and retroactive to January 1, 2024.

Equity-Based Incentive Awards

Our equity-based incentive awards are designed to align our interests and those of our stockholders with those of our employees, including our executive officers. The board of directors or an authorized committee thereof is responsible for approving equity grants.

Prior to this offering, we have granted stock options pursuant to our 2015 Equity Incentive Plan (2015 Plan) and our 2022 Incentive Award Plan (2022 Plan). Following this offering, we will grant equity awards under the terms of our 2024 Incentive Award Plan (2024 Plan). The terms of our equity plans are described under the subsection titled “—Equity Incentive Plans” below. All options are granted with an exercise price per share that is no less than the fair market value of our common stock on the date of grant of such award as determined by our board of directors based on an independent third-party valuation. Our stock option grants generally vest over a four-year period and may be subject to acceleration of vesting and exercisability under certain termination and change in control events. In addition, from time to time our board of directors has also granted performance-based stock options, the vesting of which is tied to key clinical, operational or regulatory milestones.

In June 2023, Mr. Bellete was granted an option to purchase 432,311 shares of our common stock pursuant to our 2022 Plan. The option has an exercise price of \$3.72 per share, the fair market value on the date of grant as determined by our board of directors based on an independent third-party valuation, and vests over a period of four years, with 25% of the shares underlying the option vesting on the first-year anniversary of the vesting commencement date (July 9, 2023), and the remaining shares vesting in equal monthly installments over the subsequent three-year period thereafter, subject to Mr. Bellete’s continuous service with us as of each such vesting

date. In addition, Mr. Bellete was also granted an option to purchase 121,833 shares of our common stock pursuant to our 2022 Plan. The option has an exercise price of \$3.72 per share and, subject to Mr. Bellete's continuous service with us as of each such vesting date, vests as follows: (1) 29,365 shares vest upon the successful completion of the initial public offering of the company's common stock on a public exchange by December 31, 2026, (2) 29,365 shares vest upon the enrollment of the first patient in the IR trial by December 31, 2026, (3) 16,869 shares vest upon the company achieving commercial organization readiness by December 31, 2026, as determined by our board of directors, (4) 29,365 shares vest upon the approval by the FDA of a BLA with respect to cretostimogene, provided such BLA approval occurs on or before December 31, 2026, and (5) 16,869 shares vest upon the company's achievement of the first successful commercial sale by December 31, 2026.

In August 2023, Dr. Kasturi was granted an option to purchase 443,628 shares of our common stock pursuant to our 2022 Plan. The option has an exercise price of \$5.06 per share, the fair market value on the date of grant as determined by our board of directors based on an independent third-party valuation, and vests over a period of four years, with 25% of the shares underlying the option vesting on the first-year anniversary of the vesting commencement date (August 14, 2023), and the remaining shares vesting in equal monthly installments over the subsequent three-year period thereafter, subject to Dr. Kasturi's continuous service with us as of each such vesting date. In addition, Dr. Kasturi was also granted an option to purchase 49,292 shares of our common stock pursuant to our 2022 Plan. The option has an exercise price of \$5.06 per share and, subject to Dr. Kasturi's continuous service with us as of each such vesting date, vests as follows: (1) 24,646 shares vest upon the filing with the FDA of the company's BLA with respect to cretostimogene, provided that such BLA filing occurs on or before December 31, 2025, and (2) 24,646 shares vest upon the approval by the FDA of a BLA with respect to cretostimogene, provided that such BLA approval occurs on or before December 31, 2026.

In October 2023, Mr. Kuan was granted an option to purchase 524,383 shares of our common stock pursuant to our 2022 Plan. The option has an exercise price of \$6.67 per share, which was the fair market value on the date of grant as determined by our board of directors based on an independent third-party valuation, and vests in equal monthly installments over a period of four years following the grant date, subject to Mr. Kuan's continuous service with us as of each such vesting date.

In December 2023, our compensation committee approved the grant of stock options pursuant to the 2022 Plan to our named executive officers as follows: Mr. Kuan, 83,901 options; Mr. Bellete, 52,438 options; and Dr. Kasturi, 36,706 options. Such stock options have an exercise price of \$12.59 per share, which was the fair market value on the date of grant as determined by our board of directors based on an independent third-party valuation, and vest in equal monthly installments over a period of four years following the grant date, provided, that such options will not become exercisable until the closing of this offering, and in each case subject to such executive's continuous service with us through the applicable vesting date.

In January 2024, in connection with the commencement of employment of Corleen Roche, our Chief Financial Officer, our board of directors approved a grant of stock options to Ms. Roche to purchase 492,920 shares of our common stock pursuant to our 2024 Plan, which grant will become effective as of the effective date of the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part. The option will have an exercise price per share equal to the initial price to the public of a share of common stock in this offering. The option vests over a four-year period, with 25% of the shares vesting on the date that is 12 months after the vesting commencement date (January 16, 2024), and the remaining shares vesting in 36 equal monthly installments thereafter, subject to Ms. Roche's continuous service with us as of each such vesting date.

Outstanding Equity Awards at 2023 Fiscal Year End

The following table presents information regarding the outstanding stock options held by each of our named executive officers as of December 31, 2023.

Name	Option Awards					
	Grant Date	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options Exercisable	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options Unexercisable ⁽¹⁾	Equity Incentive Plan Awards: Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Unearned Options	Option Exercise Price (\$)	Option Expiration Date
Arthur Kuan	04/19/21	167,483	—	—	\$ 1.72	04/19/31
	10/19/22	8,521	289,722(2)	—	\$ 2.29	10/19/32
	10/09/23	32,773	491,609(2)	—	\$ 6.67	10/09/33
	12/13/23	—	83,901(3)	—	\$ 12.59	12/13/33
Ambaw Bellete	06/14/23	—	432,311(4)	—	\$ 3.72	06/14/33
	06/14/23	—	—	121,831(5)	\$ 3.72	06/14/33
	12/13/23	—	52,438(3)	—	\$ 12.59	12/13/33
Vijay Kasturi, M.D.	08/15/23	—	443,628(4)	—	\$ 5.06	08/15/33
	08/15/23	—	—	49,292(6)	\$ 5.06	08/15/33
	12/13/23	—	36,706(3)	—	\$ 12.59	12/13/33

- (1) These awards are subject to potential acceleration of vesting in connection with a qualifying termination of employment following a change in control, as described under the subsection titled “—Employment Arrangements with our Named Executive Officers” below.
- (2) The options vest in equal monthly installments over a period of four years following the vesting commencement date (October 19, 2022 for Mr. Kuan’s options granted on October 19, 2022 and September 20, 2023 for Mr. Kuan’s options granted on October 9, 2023), subject to Mr. Kuan’s continuous service with us through each such vesting date.
- (3) The options vest in equal monthly installments over a period of four following the vesting commencement date (December 13, 2023), subject to the executive’s continuous service with us through each such vesting date, provided, that such options will not become exercisable until the closing of this offering.
- (4) The options vest over a period of four years, with 25% of the shares subject to the options vesting on the first anniversary of the vesting commencement date (July 9, 2023 for Mr. Bellete and August 14, 2023 for Dr. Kasturi), and the remaining shares vesting in equal monthly installments thereafter over the subsequent three-year period, subject, respectively, to Mr. Bellete and Dr. Kasturi’s continuous services with us through each such vesting date.
- (5) The option vests as follows: (i) 29,365 shares vest upon successful completion of the initial public offering of the company’s common stock on a public exchange by December 31, 2026, (ii) 29,365 shares vest upon the enrolment of the first patient in the IR trial by December 31, 2026, (iii) 16,868 shares vest upon the company achieving commercial organization readiness by December 31, 2026, as determined by our board of directors, (iv) 29,365 shares vest upon the approval by the FDA of a BLA with respect to cretostimogene, provided such BLA approval occurs on or before December 31, 2026, and (v) 16,868 shares vest upon the company’s achievement of the first successful commercial sale by December 31, 2026.
- (6) The option vests as follows: (i) 24,646 shares vest upon the filing with the FDA of a BLA with respect to cretostimogene, provided that such BLA filing occurs on or before December 31, 2025, and (ii) 24,646 shares vest upon the approval by the FDA of the company’s BLA with respect to cretostimogene, provided that such BLA approval occurs on or before December 31, 2026.

Employment Arrangements with Our Executive Officers

We have entered into employment agreements with certain of our executive officers, including our named executive officers, which govern the terms of their employment with us. Pursuant to their employment agreements, Mr. Kuan, Mr. Bellete, Dr. Kasturi, and Ms. Roche are each entitled to an annual base salary of \$450,000, \$430,000, \$415,000, and \$450,000, respectively. In connection with this offering, the annual base salaries for Mr. Kuan, Mr. Bellete and Dr. Kasturi will be increased to \$625,000, \$495,000 and \$465,000, respectively, effective upon the closing of the offering and retroactive to January 1, 2024. In addition, in accordance with their employment agreements, for 2023, Mr. Kuan, Mr. Bellete, and Dr. Kasturi are eligible to earn an annual bonus at a target amount of 40% of their base salaries actually paid for the year to which such annual bonus relates, subject to the

achievement of performance objectives as determined by our board of directors. In connection with this offering, the target annual bonuses for Mr. Kuan and Mr. Bellete will increase to 55% and 45% of annual base salary, respectively, effective upon the closing of the offering and retroactive to January 1, 2024. Commencing in 2024, Ms. Roche is eligible to earn an annual bonus at a target amount of 40% of her base salary actually paid for the year to which such annual bonus relates, subject to the achievement of performance objectives as determined by our board of directors.

Pursuant to their employment agreements, Mr. Bellete, Dr. Kasturi and Ms. Roche also received a sign on bonus in the amount of \$125,000, \$50,000 and \$30,000, respectively, subject to repayment if the executive is terminated for cause or resigns without good reason prior to completing 12 months of service, for Mr. Bellete, and 24 months of service for Dr. Kasturi and Ms. Roche. Additionally, Mr. Bellete is also eligible to receive a relocation reimbursement of up to \$90,000 should the company require Mr. Bellete to relocate to the Orange County, California area.

Regardless of the manner in which our executive officers' employment terminates, they are entitled to receive certain accrued amounts previously earned during their employment, including unpaid salary, reimbursement of expenses owed, and accrued but unpaid paid time off and any continuation of benefits required by applicable law. In addition, our executive officers are entitled to certain severance benefits under their employment agreements, subject to their execution of a release of claims and compliance with post-termination obligations.

Arthur Kuan and Ambaw Bellete

Messrs. Kuan and Bellete's employment agreements provide for severance benefits for certain terminations that arise during and outside of a change in control period (as defined below). Upon a termination without cause outside of the period commencing upon a change in control and continuing until 18 months after such change in control (such period, the change in control period), Messrs. Kuan and Bellete are entitled to (1) an amount in cash equal to their annual base salary, payable in a lump sum, (2) payment or reimbursement of the COBRA premiums for Messrs. Kuan and Bellete and their respective eligible dependents, or if COBRA is not available under our group health plan, a cash amount equal to such payments or reimbursements, for a maximum period of up to 12 months from the date of their termination of employment, and (3) an amount in cash equal to their target annual bonus, prorated for the portion of the year that elapsed prior to the date of their termination of employment, payable in a lump sum. Additionally, upon a termination without cause occurring outside of the change in control period, Mr. Bellete is entitled to outplacement services for 12 months, up to a maximum cost of \$20,000.

In addition, except with respect to Mr. Bellete's option award of 432,311 shares granted on June 14, 2023 (the Bellete Initial Option), upon a termination without cause outside of the change in control period, Messrs. Kuan and Bellete are entitled to accelerated vesting of the unvested portion of company equity awards that would have vested during the 12 months following the date of their termination of employment had they continued in employment during such period; provided, however, that any performance-based equity awards shall remain subject to attainment of the relevant performance goals. With respect to the Bellete Initial Option, Mr. Bellete is entitled to the following: (1) if the termination without cause occurs prior to the first anniversary of Mr. Bellete's start date, accelerated vesting of the portion of the Bellete Initial Option that would have vested during the 12 months following the date of such termination had he continued in employment during such period, (2) if such termination occurs after the first anniversary of Mr. Bellete's start date but prior to the second anniversary of his start date, accelerated vesting of the portion of the Bellete Initial Option that would have vested during the 18 months following the date of such termination had he continued in employment during such period, and (3) if such termination occurs after the second anniversary of Mr. Bellete's start date, accelerated vesting of any unvested portion of the Bellete Initial Option.

Upon a termination without cause or a resignation for good reason within the change in control period, Mr. Kuan is entitled to (1) an amount in cash equal to 1.5 times his annual base salary, payable in a lump sum, (2) payment or reimbursement of the COBRA premiums for Mr. Kuan and his eligible dependents, or if COBRA

is not available under our group health plan, a cash amount equal to such payments or reimbursements, for a maximum period of up to 18 months from the date of Mr. Kuan's termination of employment, (3) an amount in cash equal to 1.5 times his target annual bonus, payable in a lump sum, and (4) full accelerated vesting of all unvested company equity awards; provided, however, that any performance-based equity awards shall remain subject to attainment of the relevant performance goals.

Upon a termination without cause or a resignation for good reason within the change in control period, Mr. Bellete is entitled to (1) an amount in cash equal to his annual base salary, payable in a lump sum, (2) payment or reimbursement of the COBRA premiums for Mr. Bellete and his eligible dependents, or if COBRA is not available under our group health plan, a cash amount equal to such payments or reimbursements, for a maximum period of up to 12 months from the date of Mr. Bellete's termination of employment, (3) an amount in cash equal to his target annual bonus, payable in a lump sum, (4) full accelerated vesting of all unvested company equity awards (provided, however, that any performance-based equity awards shall remain subject to attainment of the relevant performance goals), and (5) outplacement services for 18 months, up to a maximum cost of \$20,000.

Vijay Kasturi, M.D. and Corleen Roche

Dr. Kasturi and Ms. Roche's employment agreements provide for severance benefits for certain terminations that arise during and outside of a change in control period. Upon a termination without cause outside of the change in control period, Dr. Kasturi and Ms. Roche are entitled to (1) an amount in cash equal to 0.75 times their annual base salary, payable in a lump sum, (2) payment or reimbursement of the COBRA premiums for Dr. Kasturi and Ms. Roche and their respective eligible dependents, or if COBRA is not available under our group health plan, a cash amount equal to such payments or reimbursements, for a maximum period of up to 9 months from the date of their termination of employment, (3) an amount in cash equal to their target annual bonus, prorated for the portion of the year that elapsed prior to the date of their termination of employment, payable in a lump sum, and (4) accelerated vesting of the unvested portion of company equity awards that would have vested during the 9 months following the date of Dr. Kasturi or Ms. Roche's termination of employment they he continued in employment with the company during such period; provided, however, that any performance-based equity awards shall remain subject to attainment of the relevant performance goals.

Upon a termination without cause or a resignation for good reason within the change in control period, Dr. Kasturi and Ms. Roche would be entitled to (1) an amount in cash equal to their annual base salary, payable in a lump sum, (2) payment or reimbursement of the COBRA premiums for Dr. Kasturi and Ms. Roche and their respective eligible dependents, or if COBRA is not available under our group health plan, a cash amount equal to such payments or reimbursements, for a maximum period of up to 12 months from the date of their termination of employment, (3) an amount in cash equal to their target annual bonus, payable in a lump sum, and (4) full accelerated vesting of all unvested company equity awards; provided, however, that any performance-based equity awards shall remain subject to attainment of the relevant performance goals.

Health and Welfare Benefits; Perquisites

All of our current named executive officers are eligible to participate in our employee benefit plans, including our medical, dental, vision, disability, and life insurance plans, in each case on the same basis as all of our other employees. We generally do not provide perquisites or personal benefits to our named executive officers, except in limited circumstances. Our board of directors may elect to adopt qualified or non-qualified benefit plans in the future if it determines that doing so is in our best interests.

401(k) Plan

Our named executive officers are eligible to participate in a defined contribution retirement plan that provides eligible employees with an opportunity to save for retirement on a tax advantaged basis. Eligible employees may defer eligible compensation on a pre-tax or after-tax (Roth) basis, up to the statutorily prescribed

annual limits on contributions under the Code. Contributions are allocated to each participant's individual account and are then invested in selected investment alternatives according to the participants' directions. The 401(k) plan is intended to be qualified under Section 401(a) of the Code with the 401(k) plan's related trust intended to be tax exempt under Section 501(a) of the Code. As a tax-qualified retirement plan, contributions to the 401(k) plan (except for Roth contributions) and earnings on those contributions are not taxable to the employees until distributed from the 401(k) plan. Under the 401(k) plan, we provide matching contributions equal to 100% of the first 4% of eligible compensation deferred by our employees, not to exceed 1% of an employee's eligible compensation. Our board of directors may elect to adopt qualified or nonqualified retirement plans in the future, if it determines that doing so is in our best interests.

Clawback Policy

We have adopted a compensation recovery policy that is compliant with the Nasdaq Listing Rules, as required by the Dodd-Frank Act, to be effective upon the closing of this offering.

Equity Incentive Plans

The principal features of our equity incentive plans are summarized below. These summaries are qualified in their entirety by reference to the actual text of the applicable plan, each of which is or will be filed as an exhibit to the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part.

2024 Incentive Award Plan

In connection with this offering, our board of directors has adopted and our stockholders have approved the 2024 Plan, which would become effective in connection with this offering. Under the 2024 Plan, we may grant cash and equity incentive awards to eligible service providers in order to attract, motivate and retain the talent for which we compete. The material terms of the 2024 Plan are summarized below.

Eligibility and administration. Our employees, consultants and directors, and employees and consultants of our subsidiaries, will be eligible to receive awards under the 2024 Plan. Following this offering, the 2024 Plan will generally be administered by our board of directors with respect to awards to non-employee directors and by our compensation committee with respect to other participants, each of which may delegate its duties and responsibilities to committees of our directors and/or officers (referred to collectively as the plan administrator below), subject to certain limitations that may be imposed under the 2024 Plan, Section 16 of the Exchange Act and/or stock exchange rules, as applicable. The plan administrator will have the authority to make all determinations and interpretations under, prescribe all forms for use with, and adopt rules for the administration of, the 2024 Plan, subject to its express terms and conditions. The plan administrator will also set the terms and conditions of all awards under the 2024 Plan, including any vesting and vesting acceleration conditions.

Limitation on awards and shares available. The number of shares initially available for issuance under awards granted pursuant to the 2024 Plan will be the sum of (1) 10% of the number of "pricing date fully-diluted shares" (as defined below), plus (2) any shares of our common stock which, as of the effective date of the 2024 Plan, remain available for issuance under the 2022 Plan, plus (3) any shares subject to outstanding awards under the 2015 Plan and 2022 Plan as of the effective date of the 2024 Plan that become available for issuance under the 2024 Plan thereafter in accordance with its terms. The number of shares initially available for issuance will be increased on January 1 of each calendar year beginning in 2025 and ending in 2034, by an amount equal to the lesser of (a) 5% of the shares of common stock outstanding on the final day of the immediately preceding calendar year and (b) such smaller number of shares as determined by the plan administrator. No more than 200,000,000 shares of common stock may be issued upon the exercise of incentive stock options under the 2024 Plan. Shares issued under the 2024 Plan may be authorized but unissued shares, shares purchased on the open market or treasury shares. For purposes of the 2024 Plan, the "pricing date fully-diluted shares" means, as of the

date on which the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part is declared effective, the sum of (1) the shares of our common stock outstanding on such date (calculated on an as-converted basis after giving effect to the conversion of the company's outstanding securities into shares in connection with the initial public offering and after giving effect to the issuance of the shares to be sold in this initial public offering and assuming the exercise in full of the underwriters' over-allotment option in such initial public offering), (2) the shares of our common stock subject to compensatory equity awards (including stock options) outstanding on such date (with the number of shares subject to performance-based compensatory equity awards calculated at the "maximum" level of performance), and (3) all shares of common stock available for future issuance under the 2024 Plan and the ESPP as of such date.

If an award under the 2024 Plan, the 2022 Plan or the 2015 Plan expires, lapses or is terminated, exchanged for or settled in cash, surrendered, repurchased, cancelled without having been fully exercised or forfeited, in any case, in a manner that results in the company acquiring shares covered by the award at a price not greater than the price paid by the participant for such shares or not issuing any shares covered by the award, any shares subject to such award will, as applicable, become or again be available for new grants under the 2024 Plan. Awards granted under the 2024 Plan upon the assumption of, or in substitution for, awards authorized or outstanding under a qualifying equity plan maintained by an entity with which we enter into a merger or similar corporate transaction will not reduce the shares available for grant under the 2024 Plan.

Awards. The 2024 Plan provides for the grant of stock options, including incentive stock options (ISOs) within the meaning of Section 422 of the Code, and nonqualified stock options (NSOs); restricted stock; dividend equivalents; restricted stock units (RSUs); stock appreciation rights (SARs); and other stock or cash-based awards. Certain awards under the 2024 Plan may constitute or provide for a deferral of compensation, subject to Section 409A of the Code, which may impose additional requirements on the terms and conditions of such awards. All awards under the 2024 Plan will be set forth in award agreements, which will detail the terms and conditions of the awards, including any applicable vesting and payment terms and post-termination exercise limitations. Awards other than cash awards generally will be settled in shares of our common stock, but the plan administrator may provide for cash settlement of any award. A brief description of each award type follows.

- *Stock options.* Stock options provide for the purchase of shares of our common stock in the future at an exercise price set on the grant date. ISOs, by contrast to NSOs, may provide tax deferral beyond exercise and favorable capital gains tax treatment to their holders if certain holding period and other requirements of the Code are satisfied. The exercise price of a stock option will not be less than 100% of the fair market value of the underlying share on the date of grant (or 110% in the case of ISOs granted to certain significant stockholders), except with respect to certain substitute options granted in connection with a corporate transaction. The term of a stock option may not be longer than ten years (or five years in the case of ISOs granted to certain significant stockholders). Vesting conditions determined by the plan administrator may apply to stock options and may include continued service, performance and/or other conditions. ISOs generally may be granted only to our employees and employees of our parent or subsidiary corporations, if any.
- *SARs.* SARs entitle their holder, upon exercise, to receive from us an amount equal to the appreciation of the shares subject to the award between the grant date and the exercise date. The exercise price of a SAR will not be less than 100% of the fair market value of the underlying share on the date of grant (except with respect to certain substitute SARs granted in connection with a corporate transaction), and the term of a SAR may not be longer than ten years. Vesting conditions determined by the plan administrator may apply to SARs and may include continued service, performance and/or other conditions.
- *Restricted stock and RSUs.* Restricted stock is an award of nontransferable shares of our common stock that remain forfeitable unless and until specified conditions are met, and which may be subject to a purchase price. RSUs are contractual promises to deliver shares of our common stock in the future, which may also remain forfeitable unless and until specified conditions are met. Delivery of the shares

underlying RSUs may be deferred under the terms of the award or at the election of the participant, if the plan administrator permits such a deferral. Conditions applicable to restricted stock and RSUs may be based on continuing service, the attainment of performance goals and/or such other conditions as the plan administrator may determine.

- *Other stock or cash-based awards.* Other stock or cash-based awards are awards of cash, fully vested shares of our common stock and other awards valued wholly or partially by referring to, or otherwise based on, shares of our common stock. Other stock or cash-based awards may be granted to participants and may also be available as a payment form in the settlement of other awards, as standalone payments and as payment in lieu of base salary, bonus, fees, or other cash compensation otherwise payable to any individual who is eligible to receive awards. The plan administrator will determine the terms and conditions of other stock or cash-based awards, which may include vesting conditions based on continued service, performance and/or other conditions.
- *Dividend equivalents.* RSUs or other stock and cash-based awards may be accompanied by the right to receive the equivalent value of dividends paid on shares of our common stock prior to the delivery of the underlying shares. Such dividend equivalents will only be paid out to the extent that any vesting conditions are subsequently satisfied, unless otherwise determined by the plan administrator. No dividend equivalents will be payable on stock options or SARs.

Performance awards. Performance awards include any of the foregoing awards that are granted subject to vesting and/or payment based on the attainment of specified performance goals or other criteria the plan administrator may determine, which may or may not be objectively determinable. Performance criteria upon which performance goals are established by the plan administrator may include: net earnings or losses (either before or after one or more of interest, taxes, depreciation, amortization and non-cash equity-based compensation expense); gross or net sales or revenue or sales or revenue growth; net income (either before or after taxes) or adjusted net income; profits (including, but not limited to, gross profits, net profits, profit growth, net operation profit or economic profit), profit return ratios or operating margin; budget or operating earnings (either before or after taxes or before or after allocation of corporate overhead and bonus); cash flow (including operating cash flow and free cash flow or cash flow return on capital); return on assets; return on capital or invested capital; cost of capital; return on stockholders' equity; total stockholder return; return on sales; costs, reductions in costs and cost control measures; expenses; working capital; earnings or loss per share; adjusted earnings or loss per share; price per share or dividends per share (or appreciation in or maintenance of such price or dividends); regulatory achievements or compliance; implementation, completion or attainment of objectives relating to research, development, regulatory, commercial or strategic milestones or developments; market share; economic value or economic value added models; division, group or corporate financial goals; customer satisfaction/growth; customer service; employee satisfaction; recruitment and maintenance of personnel; human capital management (including diversity and inclusion); supervision of litigation and other legal matters; strategic partnerships and transactions; financial ratios (including those measuring liquidity, activity, profitability or leverage); debt levels or reductions; sales-related goals; financing and other capital raising transactions; cash on hand; acquisition activity; investment sourcing activity; and marketing initiatives, any of which may be measured in absolute terms or as compared to any incremental increase or decrease. Such performance goals also may be based solely by reference to our performance or the performance of a subsidiary, division, business segment or business unit, or based upon performance relative to performance of other companies or upon comparisons of any of the indicators of performance relative to performance of other companies.

Director compensation. The 2024 Plan provides that the plan administrator may establish compensation for non-employee directors from time to time subject to the 2024 Plan's limitations. Prior to this offering, our stockholders approved the initial terms of our non-employee director compensation program, which is described below under the subsection titled "—Director Compensation." Our board of directors or its authorized committee may modify the non-employee director compensation program from time to time in its discretion, and pursuant to the exercise of its business judgment, taking into account such factors, circumstances and considerations as it deems relevant from time to time, provided that the sum of any cash compensation or other

compensation and the grant date fair value (as determined in accordance with FASB ASC 718, or any successor thereto) of any equity awards granted as compensation for services as a non-employee director during any calendar year may not exceed \$1,000,000, increased to \$1,500,000 in the calendar year of a non-employee director's initial service as a non-employee director or during which a non-employee director serves as chair of our board of directors or lead independent director (which limits will not apply to the compensation for any non-employee director who serves in any capacity in addition to that of a non-employee director for which he or she receives additional compensation or any compensation paid to any non-employee director prior to the calendar year following the calendar year in which this offering occurs). The plan administrator may make exceptions to this limit for individual non-employee directors in such circumstances as the plan administrator may determine in its discretion.

Certain transactions. In connection with certain transactions and events affecting our common stock, including a change in control (as defined below), or change in any applicable laws or accounting principles, the plan administrator has broad discretion to act under the 2024 Plan to prevent the dilution or enlargement of intended benefits, facilitate such transaction or event, or give effect to such change in applicable laws or accounting principles. This includes canceling awards in exchange for either an amount in cash or other property with a value equal to the amount that would have been obtained upon exercise or settlement of the vested portion of such award or realization of the participant's rights under the vested portion of such award, accelerating the vesting of awards, providing for the assumption or substitution of awards by a successor entity, adjusting the number and type of shares available, replacing awards with other rights or property or terminating awards under the 2024 Plan. In the event of a change in control where the acquirer does not assume awards granted under the 2024 Plan, the plan administrator may provide that awards issued under the 2024 Plan be subject to accelerated vesting such that 100% of the awards will become vested and exercisable or payable, as applicable. In addition, in the event of certain non-reciprocal transactions with our stockholders (an equity restructuring) the plan administrator will make equitable adjustments to the 2024 Plan and outstanding awards as it deems appropriate to reflect the equity restructuring.

For purposes of the 2024 Plan, a "change in control" means and includes each of the following:

- a transaction or series of transactions whereby any "person" or related "group" of "persons" (as such terms are used in Sections 13(d) and 14(d)(2) of the Exchange Act) (other than our company or our subsidiaries or any employee benefit plan maintained by us or any of our subsidiaries or a "person" that, prior to such transaction, directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, us) directly or indirectly acquires beneficial ownership (within the meaning of Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act) of our securities possessing more than 50% of the total combined voting power of our securities outstanding immediately after such acquisition; or
- during any period of two consecutive years, individuals who, at the beginning of such period, constitute our board of directors together with any new directors (other than a director designated by a person who has entered into an agreement with us to effect a change in control transaction) whose election by our board of directors or nomination for election by our stockholders was approved by a vote of at least two-thirds of the directors then still in office who either were directors at the beginning of the two-year period or whose election or nomination for election was previously so approved, cease for any reason to constitute a majority thereof; or
- the consummation by us (whether directly or indirectly) of (x) a merger, consolidation, reorganization, or business combination or (y) a sale or other disposition of all or substantially all of our assets in any single transaction or series of related transactions or (z) the acquisition of assets or stock of another entity, in each case other than a transaction:
 - which results in our voting securities outstanding immediately before the transaction continuing to represent either by remaining outstanding or by being converted into voting securities of the company or the person that, as a result of the transaction, controls, directly or indirectly, the company or owns, directly or indirectly, all or substantially all of our assets or otherwise succeeds

to our business, directly or indirectly, at least a majority of the combined voting power of the successor entity's outstanding voting securities immediately after the transaction, and

- after which no person or group beneficially owns voting securities representing 50% or more of the combined voting power of the successor entity; provided, however, that no person or group will be treated as beneficially owning 50% or more of the combined voting power of the successor entity solely as a result of the voting power held in our company prior to the consummation of the transaction.

Foreign participants, clawback provisions, transferability, and participant payments. With respect to foreign participants, the plan administrator may modify award terms, establish subplans and/or adjust other terms and conditions of awards, subject to the share limits described above. All awards will be subject to the provisions of any clawback policy implemented by our company and to the extent set forth in such clawback policy or in the applicable award agreement. With limited exceptions for estate planning, domestic relations orders, certain beneficiary designations and the laws of descent and distribution, awards under the 2024 Plan are generally nontransferable prior to vesting and are exercisable only by the participant. With regard to tax withholding obligations arising in connection with awards under the 2024 Plan and exercise price obligations arising in connection with the exercise of stock options under the 2024 Plan, the plan administrator may, in its discretion, accept cash, wire transfer, or check, shares of our common stock that meet specified conditions (a market sell order) or such other consideration as it deems suitable or any combination of the foregoing.

Plan amendment and termination. Our board of directors may amend, suspend, or terminate the 2024 Plan at any time; however, except in connection with certain changes in our capital structure, stockholder approval will be required for any amendment that increases the number of shares available under the 2024 Plan. The plan administrator will have the authority, without the approval of our stockholders, to amend any outstanding stock option or SAR to reduce its exercise price per share. No award may be granted pursuant to the 2024 Plan after the tenth anniversary of the date on which our board of directors adopted the 2024 Plan.

2022 Incentive Award Plan

Our board of directors and our stockholders have adopted and approved the 2022 Plan, effective as of September 30, 2022.

As of September 30, 2023, a total of 2,774,216 shares are subject to issued and outstanding stock options granted under the 2022 Plan and a total of 1,123,823 shares remain available for issuance under the 2022 Plan.

If an award under the 2022 Plan or the 2015 Plan expires, lapses or is terminated, exchanged for or settled in cash, surrendered, repurchased, cancelled without having been fully exercised or forfeited, in any case, in a manner that results in the company acquiring shares covered by the award at a price not greater than the price paid by the participant for such shares or not issuing any shares covered by the award, any shares subject to such award will, as applicable, become or again be available for new grants under the 2022 Plan. Awards granted under the 2022 Plan upon the assumption of, or in substitution for, awards authorized or outstanding under a qualifying equity plan maintained by an entity with which we enter into a merger or similar corporate transaction will not reduce the shares available for grant under the 2022 Plan.

After the effective date of the 2024 Plan, no additional awards will be granted under the 2022 Plan. However, the 2022 Plan will continue to govern the terms and conditions of the outstanding awards granted under it. Shares of our common stock subject to awards granted under the 2022 Plan or the 2015 Plan that expire, lapse or are terminated, exchanged for cash, surrendered, repurchased, or forfeited following the effective date of the 2024 Plan will be available for issuance under the 2024 Plan in accordance with its terms.

Eligibility and administration. Our employees, consultants and directors, and employees and consultants of our subsidiaries, are eligible to receive awards under the 2022 Plan. The 2022 Plan is administered by our

compensation committee, which may delegate its duties and responsibilities to committees of our directors and/or officers (referred to collectively as the plan administrator below), subject to certain limitations that may be imposed under the 2022 Plan. The plan administrator will have the authority to make all determinations and interpretations under, prescribe all forms for use with, and adopt rules for the administration of, the 2022 Plan, subject to its express terms and conditions. The plan administrator also sets the terms and conditions of all awards under the 2022 Plan, including any vesting and vesting acceleration conditions.

Awards. The 2022 Plan provides for the grant of stock options, including incentive stock options (ISOs) within the meaning of Section 422 of the Code, and nonqualified stock options (NSOs); restricted stock; dividend equivalents; restricted stock units (RSUs); stock appreciation rights (SARs); and other stock or cash-based awards. Certain awards under the 2022 Plan may constitute or provide for a deferral of compensation, subject to Section 409A of the Code, which may impose additional requirements on the terms and conditions of such awards. All awards under the 2022 Plan will be set forth in award agreements, which will detail the terms and conditions of the awards, including any applicable vesting and payment terms and post-termination exercise limitations. Awards other than cash awards generally will be settled in shares of our common stock, but the plan administrator may provide for cash settlement of any award. A brief description of each award type follows.

- *Stock options.* Stock options provide for the purchase of shares of our common stock in the future at an exercise price set on the grant date. ISOs, by contrast to NSOs, may provide tax deferral beyond exercise and favorable capital gains tax treatment to their holders if certain holding period and other requirements of the Code are satisfied. The exercise price of a stock option will not be less than 100% of the fair market value of the underlying share on the date of grant (or 110% in the case of ISOs granted to certain significant stockholders), except with respect to certain substitute options granted in connection with a corporate transaction. The term of a stock option may not be longer than ten years (or five years in the case of ISOs granted to certain significant stockholders). Vesting conditions determined by the plan administrator may apply to stock options and may include continued service, performance and/or other conditions. ISOs generally may be granted only to our employees and employees of our parent or subsidiary corporations, if any.
- *SARs.* SARs entitle their holder, upon exercise, to receive from us an amount equal to the appreciation of the shares subject to the award between the grant date and the exercise date. The exercise price of a SAR will not be less than 100% of the fair market value of the underlying share on the date of grant (except with respect to certain substitute SARs granted in connection with a corporate transaction), and the term of a SAR may not be longer than ten years. Vesting conditions determined by the plan administrator may apply to SARs and may include continued service, performance and/or other conditions.
- *Restricted stock and RSUs.* Restricted stock is an award of nontransferable shares of our common stock that remain forfeitable unless and until specified conditions are met, and which may be subject to a purchase price. RSUs are contractual promises to deliver shares of our common stock in the future, which may also remain forfeitable unless and until specified conditions are met. Delivery of the shares underlying RSUs may be deferred under the terms of the award or at the election of the participant, if the plan administrator permits such a deferral. Conditions applicable to restricted stock and RSUs may be based on continuing service, the attainment of performance goals and/or such other conditions as the plan administrator may determine.
- *Other stock or cash-based awards.* Other stock or cash-based awards are awards of cash, fully vested shares of our common stock and other awards valued wholly or partially by referring to, or otherwise based on, shares of our common stock. Other stock or cash-based awards may be granted to participants and may also be available as a payment form in the settlement of other awards, as standalone payments and as payment in lieu of base salary, bonus, fees, or other cash compensation otherwise payable to any individual who is eligible to receive awards. The plan administrator will determine the terms and conditions of other stock or cash-based awards, which may include vesting conditions based on continued service, performance and/or other conditions.

- *Dividend equivalents.* RSUs or other stock and cash-based awards may be accompanied by the right to receive the equivalent value of dividends paid on shares of our common stock prior to the delivery of the underlying shares. Such dividend equivalents will only be paid out to the extent that any vesting conditions are subsequently satisfied, unless otherwise determined by the plan administrator. No dividend equivalents will be payable on stock options or SARs.

Performance awards. Performance awards include any of the foregoing awards that are granted subject to vesting and/or payment based on the attainment of specified performance goals or other criteria the plan administrator may determine, which may or may not be objectively determinable. Performance criteria upon which performance goals are established by the plan administrator may include: net earnings or losses (either before or after one or more of interest, taxes, depreciation, amortization and non-cash equity-based compensation expense); gross or net sales or revenue or sales or revenue growth; net income (either before or after taxes) or adjusted net income; profits (including, but not limited to, gross profits, net profits, profit growth, net operation profit or economic profit), profit return ratios or operating margin; budget or operating earnings (either before or after taxes or before or after allocation of corporate overhead and bonus); cash flow (including operating cash flow and free cash flow or cash flow return on capital); return on assets; return on capital or invested capital; cost of capital; return on stockholders' equity; total stockholder return; return on sales; costs, reductions in costs and cost control measures; expenses; working capital; earnings or loss per share; adjusted earnings or loss per share; price per share or dividends per share (or appreciation in or maintenance of such price or dividends); regulatory achievements or compliance; implementation, completion or attainment of objectives relating to research, development, regulatory, commercial or strategic milestones or developments; market share; economic value or economic value added models; division, group or corporate financial goals; customer satisfaction/growth; customer service; employee satisfaction; recruitment and maintenance of personnel; human capital management (including diversity and inclusion); supervision of litigation and other legal matters; strategic partnerships and transactions; financial ratios (including those measuring liquidity, activity, profitability or leverage); debt levels or reductions; sales-related goals; financing and other capital raising transactions; cash on hand; acquisition activity; investment sourcing activity; and marketing initiatives, any of which may be measured in absolute terms or as compared to any incremental increase or decrease. Such performance goals also may be based solely by reference to our performance or the performance of a subsidiary, division, business segment or business unit, or based upon performance relative to performance of other companies or upon comparisons of any of the indicators of performance relative to performance of other companies.

Director compensation. The 2022 Plan provides that the plan administrator may establish compensation for non-employee directors from time to time subject to the 2022 Plan's limitations. Our board of directors or its authorized committee may modify the non-employee director compensation program from time to time in the exercise of its business judgment, taking into account such factors, circumstances and considerations as it deems relevant from time to time.

Certain transactions. In connection with certain transactions and events affecting our common stock, including a change in control (as defined below), or change in any applicable laws or accounting principles, the plan administrator has broad discretion to act under the 2022 Plan to prevent the dilution or enlargement of intended benefits, facilitate such transaction or event, or give effect to such change in applicable laws or accounting principles. This includes canceling awards in exchange for either an amount in cash or other property with a value equal to the amount that would have been obtained upon exercise or settlement of the vested portion of such award or realization of the participant's rights under the vested portion of such award, accelerating the vesting of awards, providing for the assumption or substitution of awards by a successor entity, adjusting the number and type of shares available, replacing awards with other rights or property or terminating awards under the 2022 Plan. In the event of a change in control where the acquirer does not assume awards granted under the 2022 Plan, the plan administrator may provide that awards issued under the 2022 Plan be subject to accelerated vesting such that 100% of the awards will become vested and exercisable or payable, as applicable. In addition, in the event of certain non-reciprocal transactions with our stockholders (an equity restructuring) the plan

administrator will make equitable adjustments to the 2022 Plan and outstanding awards as it deems appropriate to reflect the equity restructuring.

For purposes of the 2022 Plan, a “change in control” means and includes each of the following:

- a transaction or series of transactions whereby any “person” or related “group” of “persons” (as such terms are used in Sections 13(d) and 14(d)(2) of the Exchange Act) (other than our company or our subsidiaries or any employee benefit plan maintained by us or any of our subsidiaries or a “person” that, prior to such transaction, directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, us) directly or indirectly acquires beneficial ownership (within the meaning of Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act) of our securities possessing more than 50% of the total combined voting power of our securities outstanding immediately after such acquisition; or
- during any period of two consecutive years, individuals who, at the beginning of such period, constitute our board of directors together with any new directors (other than a director designated by a person who has entered into an agreement with us to effect a change in control transaction) whose election by our board of directors or nomination for election by our stockholders was approved by a vote of at least two-thirds of the directors then still in office who either were directors at the beginning of the two-year period or whose election or nomination for election was previously so approved, cease for any reason to constitute a majority thereof; or
- the consummation by us (whether directly or indirectly) of (x) a merger, consolidation, reorganization, or business combination or (y) a sale or other disposition of all or substantially all of our assets in any single transaction or series of related transactions or (z) the acquisition of assets or stock of another entity, in each case other than a transaction:
 - which results in our voting securities outstanding immediately before the transaction continuing to represent either by remaining outstanding or by being converted into voting securities of the company or the person that, as a result of the transaction, controls, directly or indirectly, the company or owns, directly or indirectly, all or substantially all of our assets or otherwise succeeds to our business, directly or indirectly, at least a majority of the combined voting power of the successor entity’s outstanding voting securities immediately after the transaction, and
 - after which no person or group beneficially owns voting securities representing 50% or more of the combined voting power of the successor entity; provided, however, that no person or group will be treated as beneficially owning 50% or more of the combined voting power of the successor entity solely as a result of the voting power held in our company prior to the consummation of the transaction.

Foreign participants, clawback provisions, transferability, and participant payments. With respect to foreign participants, the plan administrator may modify award terms, establish subplans and/or adjust other terms and conditions of awards, subject to the share limits described above. All awards will be subject to the provisions of any clawback policy implemented by our company and to the extent set forth in such clawback policy or in the applicable award agreement. With limited exceptions for estate planning, domestic relations orders, certain beneficiary designations and the laws of descent and distribution, awards under the 2022 Plan are generally nontransferable prior to vesting and are exercisable only by the participant. With regard to tax withholding obligations arising in connection with awards under the 2022 Plan and exercise price obligations arising in connection with the exercise of stock options under the 2022 Plan, the plan administrator may, in its discretion, accept cash, wire transfer, or check, shares of our common stock that meet specified conditions (a market sell order) or such other consideration as it deems suitable or any combination of the foregoing.

Plan amendment and termination. Our board of directors may amend, suspend, or terminate the 2022 Plan at any time; however, except in connection with certain changes in our capital structure, stockholder approval will be required for any amendment that increases the number of shares available under the 2022 Plan. The plan administrator will have the authority, without the approval of our stockholders, to amend any outstanding stock

option or SAR to reduce its exercise price per share. After the effective date of the 2024 Plan, no additional awards will be granted under the 2022 Plan. However, the 2022 Plan will continue to govern the terms and conditions of the outstanding awards granted under it.

2015 Equity Incentive Plan

Our board of directors and our stockholders have adopted and approved the 2015 Equity Incentive Plan, effective as of July 28, 2015.

As of September 30, 2023, a total of 1,914,774 shares are subject to issued and outstanding stock options granted under the 2015 Plan.

After the effective date of the 2022 Plan, no additional awards were granted under the 2015 Plan and the 2015 Plan was terminated. However, the 2015 Plan will continue to govern the terms and conditions of the outstanding awards granted under it. Shares of our common stock subject to awards granted under the 2015 Plan that expire, lapse or are terminated, exchanged for cash, surrendered, repurchased, or forfeited following the effective date of the 2022 Plan will be available for issuance under the 2022 Plan in accordance with its terms and, after the effective date of the 2024 Plan, will be available for issuance under the 2024 Plan in accordance with its terms, as described further above.

Administration. Our compensation committee administers the 2015 Plan unless it delegates authority for administration of the plan. Subject to the terms and conditions of the 2015 Plan, the administrator has the authority to select the persons to whom awards are to be made, to determine the type or types of awards to be granted to each person, determine the number of awards to grant, determine the number of shares to be subject to such awards, and the terms and conditions of such awards, and make all other determinations and decisions and to take all other actions necessary or advisable for the administration of the 2015 Plan. The plan administrator is also authorized to establish, adopt, amend, or revise rules relating to administration of the 2015 Plan, subject to certain restrictions.

Eligibility. Awards under the 2015 Plan may be granted to individuals who are then our employees, consultants, and members of our board of directors and our subsidiaries. Only employees may be granted ISOs.

Awards. The 2015 Plan provides that our administrator may grant or issue stock options (including NSOs and ISOs) and restricted stock. The administrator considers each award grant subjectively, considering factors such as the individual performance of the recipient and the anticipated contribution of the recipient to the attainment of our long-term goals. Each award is set forth in a separate agreement with the person receiving the award and indicates the type, terms, and conditions of the award.

Certain Transactions; Change in Control. The plan administrator has broad discretion to equitably adjust the provisions of the 2015 Plan and the terms and conditions of existing and future awards, including with respect to aggregate number and type of shares subject to the 2015 Plan and awards granted pursuant to the 2015 Plan, to prevent the dilution or enlargement of intended benefits and/or facilitate necessary or desirable changes in the event of certain transactions and events affecting our common stock, such as stock dividends, stock splits, mergers, acquisitions, consolidations and other corporate transactions. The plan administrator may also provide for the acceleration, cash-out, termination, assumption, substitution, or conversion of awards in the event of a change in control, a merger of the company with or into another corporation or other entity occurs or certain other unusual or nonrecurring events or transactions. In addition, in the event of certain non-reciprocal transactions with our stockholders, or an “equity restructuring,” the plan administrator will make equitable adjustments to the 2015 Plan and outstanding awards as it deems appropriate to reflect the equity restructuring.

Termination. Upon the effectiveness of our 2022 Plan, our board of directors terminated the 2015 Plan. However, the 2015 Plan will continue to govern the terms and conditions of the outstanding awards granted under it.

2024 Employee Stock Purchase Plan

In connection with this offering, our board of directors has adopted and our stockholders have approved the CG Oncology, Inc. 2024 Employee Stock Purchase Program (the ESPP), the material terms of which are summarized below.

The ESPP is comprised of two distinct components in order to provide increased flexibility to grant options to purchase shares under the ESPP to U.S. and to non-U.S. employees and certain consultants. Specifically, the ESPP authorizes (1) the grant of options to U.S. employees that are intended to qualify for favorable U.S. federal tax treatment under Section 423 of the Code, (the Section 423 Component), and (2) the grant of options that are not intended to be tax-qualified under Section 423 of the Code to facilitate participation for employees and certain consultants located outside of the U.S. who do not benefit from favorable U.S. federal tax treatment and to provide flexibility to comply with non-U.S. law and other considerations (the Non-Section 423 Component). Where permitted under local law and custom, we expect that the Non-Section 423 Component will generally be operated and administered on terms and conditions similar to the Section 423 Component.

Shares available for awards; administration. The number of shares initially available for issuance pursuant to the ESPP will be equal to a number of shares equal to 1% of the number of pricing date fully-diluted shares (which term has the same meaning as under the 2024 Plan, as described above). In addition, the number of shares available for issuance under the ESPP will be annually increased on January 1 of each calendar year beginning in 2025 and ending in and including 2034, by an amount equal to the lesser of (A) 1% of the shares outstanding on the final day of the immediately preceding calendar year and (B) such smaller number of shares as is determined by the plan administrator, provided that no more than 100,000,000 shares of our common stock may be issued under the ESPP. Our board of directors or a committee of our board of directors will administer and will have authority to interpret the terms of the ESPP and determine eligibility of participants. The compensation committee will be the initial administrator of the ESPP (referred to as the plan administrator below).

Eligibility. We expect that all of our employees will be eligible to participate in the ESPP. However, an employee may not be granted rights to purchase stock under the ESPP if the employee, immediately after the grant, would own (directly or through attribution) stock possessing 5% or more of the total combined voting power or value of all classes of our stock.

Grant of rights. Stock will be offered under the ESPP during offering periods. The length of the offering periods under the ESPP will be determined by the plan administrator and may be up to twenty-seven months long and may consist of one or more purchase periods. Employee payroll or fee deductions will be used to purchase shares on each purchase date during an offering period. The purchase dates for each offering period will be the final trading day in each purchase period under an offering period. Offering periods under the ESPP will commence when determined by the plan administrator. The plan administrator may, in its discretion, modify the terms of future offering periods. In non-U.S. jurisdictions where participation in the ESPP through payroll or fee deductions is prohibited, the plan administrator may provide that an eligible employee may elect to participate through contributions to the participant's account under the ESPP in a form acceptable to the plan administrator in lieu of or in addition to payroll or fee deductions.

The ESPP permits participants to purchase common stock through payroll or fee deductions of up to a specified percentage of their eligible compensation. The plan administrator will establish a maximum number of shares that may be purchased by a participant during any purchase period or offering period. In addition, no employee will be permitted to accrue the right to purchase stock under the Section 423 Component at a rate in excess of \$25,000 worth of shares during any calendar year during which such a purchase right is outstanding (based on the fair market value per share of our common stock as of the first day of the offering period).

On the first trading day of each offering period, each participant will automatically be granted an option to purchase shares of our common stock. The option will expire at the end of the applicable offering period and will

be exercised on each applicable purchase date during an offering period to the extent of the payroll or fee deductions accumulated during the applicable purchase period. The purchase price of the shares, in the absence of a contrary designation, will be 85% of the lower of the fair market value of our common stock on the first trading day of the offering period or on the purchase date. Participants may voluntarily end their participation in the ESPP at any time during a specified period prior to the end of the applicable offering period and will be paid their accrued payroll or fee deductions that have not yet been used to purchase shares of common stock. Participation ends automatically upon a participant's termination of employment.

A participant may not transfer rights granted under the ESPP other than by will or the laws of descent and distribution, and such rights are generally exercisable only by the participant.

Certain transactions. In the event of certain non-reciprocal transactions or events affecting our common stock, the plan administrator will make equitable adjustments to the ESPP and outstanding rights. In the event of certain unusual or non-recurring events or transactions, including a change in control, the plan administrator may provide for (1) either the replacement of outstanding rights with other rights or property or termination of outstanding rights in exchange for cash, (2) the assumption or substitution of outstanding rights by the successor or survivor corporation or parent or subsidiary thereof, if any, (3) the adjustment in the number and type of shares of stock subject to outstanding rights, (4) the use of participants' accumulated payroll or fee deductions to purchase stock on a new purchase date prior to the next scheduled purchase date and termination of any rights under ongoing offering periods or (5) the termination of all outstanding rights.

Plan amendment. The plan administrator may amend, suspend, or terminate the ESPP at any time. However, stockholder approval will be obtained for any amendment that increases the aggregate number or changes the type of shares that may be sold pursuant to rights under the ESPP or changes the corporations or classes of corporations whose employees are eligible to participate in the ESPP.

Non-Employee Director Compensation

We provide a \$36,000 cash retainer, paid in quarterly installments, to certain non-employee directors for their service on our board of directors. We also have a policy of reimbursing all of our non-employee directors for their reasonable out-of-pocket expenses in connection with attending board of directors and committee meetings.

We also from time to time provide equity compensation to certain non-employee directors for their service on our board of directors. On June 14, 2023, Drs. Mulé and Post were granted options to purchase 7,865 shares and 15,731 shares, respectively, of our common stock. The options have an exercise price of \$3.72 per share, the fair market value on the date of grant as determined by our board of directors based on an independent third-party valuation. The options vest over a period of three years in equal monthly installments beginning on the first monthly anniversary of the vesting commencement date (June 14, 2023), subject to Dr. Mulé and Dr. Post's continuous service with us as of each such vesting date.

Additionally, on November 20, 2023, Susan Graf was appointed as a member of our board of directors and was granted an option to purchase 104,876 shares of our common stock, which has an exercise price of \$7.82 per share, the fair market value on the date of grant as determined by our board of directors based on an independent third-party valuation. The option vests over a period of three years in equal monthly installments beginning on the first monthly anniversary of the vesting commencement date (November 14, 2023), subject to Ms. Graf's continuous service with us as of each such vesting date.

On December 13, 2023, Dr. Mulé was granted an option to purchase 15,731 shares of our common stock, which has an exercise price of \$12.59 per share, the fair market value on the date of grant as determined by our board of directors based on an independent third-party valuation. The option vests over a period of three years in equal monthly installments following the vesting commencement date (December 13, 2023), subject to Dr. Mulé's continuous service with us as of each such vesting date.

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The following table sets forth information regarding compensation earned with respect to the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023 by each individual who served as a non-employee director during such fiscal year.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Fees Earned or Paid in Cash (\$)</u>	<u>Option Awards (\$)⁽⁵⁾</u>	<u>All Other Compensation (\$)</u>	<u>Total (\$)</u>
Brian Liu	—	—	—	—
Susan Graf ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	4,696	594,343	—	599,039
James J. Mulé, IPh.D. ⁽¹⁾	36,000	162,004	—	198,004
Osamu Nakanishi, Ph.D. ⁽³⁾	—	—	—	—
Leonard Post, Ph.D. ⁽¹⁾	36,000	41,541	—	77,541
Jue Pu ⁽⁴⁾	—	—	—	—
Simone Song	—	—	—	—
Victor Tong, Jr.	—	—	—	—

(1) As of December 31, 2023, Ms. Graf and Drs. Mulé and Post each held options to purchase 104,876 shares, 86,052 shares, and 150,808 shares, respectively, of our common stock.

(2) Ms. Graf was appointed as a director in November 2023. Ms. Graf's annual cash retainer paid in 2023 was prorated to reflect the portion of the year Ms. Graf served as a director in 2023.

(3) Dr. Nakanishi ceased serving as a director in October 2023.

(4) Ms. Pu ceased serving as a director in October 2023.

(5) The amounts reported in the "Option Awards" column represent the aggregate grant date fair value of the stock options awarded to our non-employee directors during the applicable fiscal year, calculated in accordance with FASB ASC Topic 718. The assumptions used in calculating the grant date fair value of the awards reported in this column are set forth in our financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus. The amounts reported in this column reflect the accounting cost for the stock options and do not reflect the actual economic value that will be realized by the individual upon the vesting of the stock options, the exercise of the stock options or the sale of the common stock underlying such awards.

Post-IPO Director Compensation Program

In connection with this offering, our board of directors has adopted and our stockholders have approved the initial terms of our non-employee director compensation program. The material terms of the non-employee director compensation program are summarized below.

The non-employee director compensation program will provide for annual retainer fees and equity awards for our non-employee directors. We expect each non-employee director will receive an annual retainer of \$40,000, with the non-employee director serving as chair of the board of directors or lead independent director receiving an additional annual retainer of \$30,000. The non-employee directors serving as the chairs of the audit, compensation and nominating and corporate governance committees will receive additional annual retainers of \$15,000, \$12,000 and \$10,000, respectively. Non-employee directors serving as members of the audit, compensation and nominating and corporate governance committees will receive additional annual retainers of \$7,500, \$6,000 and \$5,000, respectively. Non-employee directors commencing service following this offering will also receive initial grants of options to purchase 44,500 shares of our common stock, vesting monthly over three years, upon election or appointment to the board of directors. Each year on the date of each annual meeting, each non-employee director will receive an annual grant of options to purchase 22,250 shares of our common stock, vesting in substantially equal monthly installments over the 12 months following the date of grant (or, in the event the next annual meeting of our stockholders occurs prior to the first anniversary of the date of grant, any remaining unvested portion of the annual award will vest on the date of such annual meeting of our stockholders). Awards to our non-employee directors will also vest in the event of a change in control or upon a non-employee director's death or disability.

Compensation under our non-employee director compensation program will be subject to the annual limits on non-employee director compensation set forth in the 2024 Plan, as described above (which limits will not apply to any non-employee director that serves in any additional capacity with the company for which he or she receives compensation or any compensation paid to any non-employee director prior to the calendar year

following the calendar year in which this offering occurs). As provided in the 2024 Plan, our board of directors or its authorized committee may make exceptions to this limit for individual non-employee directors as the board of directors or its authorized committee may determine in its discretion.

Limitations of Liability and Indemnification Matters

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and our amended and restated bylaws provide that we will indemnify our directors and officers to the fullest extent permitted by the Delaware General Corporation Law, which prohibits our amended and restated certificate of incorporation from limiting the liability of our directors for the following:

- any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to us or our stockholders;
- acts or omissions not in good faith or that involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law;
- unlawful payment of dividends or unlawful stock repurchases or redemptions; or
- any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit.

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and our amended and restated bylaws also provide that if Delaware law is amended to authorize corporate action further eliminating or limiting the personal liability of a director, then the liability of our directors will be eliminated or limited to the fullest extent permitted by Delaware law, as so amended. This limitation of liability does not apply to liabilities arising under the federal securities laws and does not affect the availability of equitable remedies such as injunctive relief or rescission.

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and our amended and restated bylaws also provide that we shall have the power to indemnify our employees and agents to the fullest extent permitted by law. Our amended and restated bylaws also permit us to secure insurance on behalf of any officer, director, employee or other agent for any liability arising out of his or her actions in this capacity, regardless of whether our amended and restated bylaws would permit indemnification. We have obtained directors' and officers' liability insurance.

We have entered into separate indemnification agreements with our directors and executive officers, in addition to indemnification provided for in our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws. These agreements, among other things, provide for indemnification of our directors and executive officers for expenses, judgments, fines and settlement amounts incurred by this person in any action or proceeding arising out of this person's services as a director or executive officer or at our request. We believe that these provisions in our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws and indemnification agreements are necessary to attract and retain qualified persons as directors and executive officers.

The above description of the indemnification provisions of our amended and restated certificate of incorporation, our amended and restated bylaws and our indemnification agreements is not complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to these documents, each of which is filed as an exhibit to the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part.

The limitation of liability and indemnification provisions in our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws may discourage stockholders from bringing a lawsuit against directors for breach of their fiduciary duties. They may also reduce the likelihood of derivative litigation against directors and officers, even though an action, if successful, might benefit us and our stockholders. A stockholder's investment may be harmed to the extent we pay the costs of settlement and damage awards against directors and officers pursuant to these indemnification provisions. Insofar as indemnification for liabilities under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers or persons controlling us pursuant to the foregoing provisions, we have been informed that in the opinion of the SEC such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is therefore unenforceable. There is no pending litigation or proceeding naming any of our directors or officers as to which indemnification is being sought, nor are we aware of any pending or threatened litigation that may result in claims for indemnification by any director or officer.

CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED PERSON TRANSACTIONS

The following includes a summary of transactions since January 1, 2020 to which we have been a party in which the amount involved exceeded or will exceed the lesser of \$120,000 and one percent of the average of our total assets as of December 31, 2021 and 2022, and in which any of our directors, executive officers or, to our knowledge, beneficial owners of more than 5% of our capital stock or any member of the immediate family of any of the foregoing persons had or will have a direct or indirect material interest, other than equity and other compensation, termination, change in control and other arrangements, which are described in the section titled “Executive and Director Compensation.” We also describe below certain other transactions with our directors, executive officers and stockholders.

Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock Financings

Series D Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock Financing. In March 2020 we entered into a Series D redeemable convertible preferred stock purchase agreement, as amended in June 2020, pursuant to which in closings between April 2020 and October 2020 we sold to investors, in private placements, an aggregate of 53,271,754 shares of Series D redeemable convertible preferred stock. The per share purchase price was \$0.8879, and we received gross proceeds of approximately \$47 million.

Series E Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock Financing. In September 2022, we entered into a Series E redeemable convertible preferred stock purchase agreement, pursuant to which in closings in September 2022 and October 2022 we sold to investors, in private placements, an aggregate of 112,422,700 shares of Series E redeemable convertible preferred stock. The per share purchase price was \$1.0674, and we received gross proceeds of approximately \$120 million.

Series F Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock Financing. In July 2023, we entered into a Series F redeemable convertible preferred stock purchase agreement, pursuant to which in July 2023 we sold to investors, in private placements, an aggregate of 81,587,937 shares of Series F redeemable convertible preferred stock. The per share purchase price was \$1.2872, and we received gross proceeds of approximately \$105 million.

The following table sets forth the aggregate number of shares acquired by the listed directors, executive officers or holders of more than 5% of our capital stock, or their affiliates. Each outstanding share of redeemable convertible preferred stock identified in the table below will convert into shares of common stock at a ratio of one-for-9.535 immediately prior to the closing of this offering.

Participants	Series D Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock	Series E Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock	Series F Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock
5% or greater stockholders⁽¹⁾			
Entities affiliated with ORI Capital ⁽²⁾	3,378,758	37,474,236	—
Decheng Capital Global Life Sciences Fund IV, L.P. ⁽³⁾	—	21,547,685	4,402,320
Entities affiliated with Foresite Capital ⁽⁴⁾	—	—	23,306,401
Kissei Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.	33,787,589	—	—
Entities affiliated with Longitude Venture Partners ⁽⁵⁾	—	21,547,685	4,402,320
TCG Crossover Fund I, L.P.	—	—	23,306,401

(1) Additional details regarding these stockholders and their equity holdings are provided in the section titled “Principal Stockholders.”

(2) Represents securities acquired by Unique Diamond Investments Limited and Charming Jade Limited. Simone Song is a Founder and Senior Partner at ORI Capital and a member of our board of directors.

(3) Victor Tong, Jr. is a Managing Director at Decheng and a member of our board of directors.

(4) Represents securities acquired by Foresite Capital Fund V, L.P., Foresite Capital Fund VI, L.P. and Foresite Capital Opportunity Fund V, L.P.

- (5) Represents securities acquired by Longitude Prime Fund, L.P. and Longitude Venture Partners IV, L.P. Brian Liu, M.D. is a Managing Director at Longitude Capital Management and a member of our board of directors.

Secondary Stock Sales

In October 2023, Abundant Supply Global Limited, an entity affiliated with ORI Capital, a greater than 5% stockholder of our company, entered into stock transfer agreements with certain other holders of our capital stock pursuant to which Abundant Supply Global Limited sold an aggregate of 27,190,800 shares of Series C redeemable convertible preferred stock at a purchase price of \$1.2872 per share for an aggregate purchase price of \$34,999,997.84 (the ASGL Secondary Sales). In connection with these transactions, Abundant Supply Global Limited sold 3,107,520 shares of Series C redeemable convertible preferred stock to Decheng Capital Global Life Sciences Fund IV, L.P., a greater than 5% stockholder of our company (Decheng Capital Global), 3,107,520 shares of Series C redeemable convertible preferred stock to TCG Crossover Fund I, L.P., 3,107,520 shares of Series C redeemable convertible preferred stock to Longitude Prime Fund, L.P., an entity affiliated with Longitude Venture Partners, a greater than 5% stockholder of our company, (Longitude Prime), an affiliate of Longitude Venture Partners, and an aggregate of 3,107,520 shares of Series C redeemable convertible preferred stock to entities affiliated with Foresite Capital. In connection with the ASGL Secondary Sales, we entered into a stock transfer agreement with Abundant Supply Global Limited and each purchaser in January 2024, Abundant Supply Global Limited transferred all of its shares to its affiliate, Unique Diamond Investments Limited.

In August 2023, Longitude Prime entered into a stock transfer agreement with an entity affiliated with a holder of our capital stock pursuant to which Longitude Prime sold 1,756,323 shares of Series C redeemable convertible preferred stock at a purchase price of \$0.9073 per share for an aggregate purchase price of \$1,593,511.86 (the August 2023 Longitude Secondary Transaction). In July 2023, Longitude Prime entered into a stock transfer agreement with Lepu Holdings Limited pursuant to which Longitude Prime purchased 3,512,646 shares of Series C redeemable convertible preferred stock from Lepu Holdings Limited at a purchase price of \$0.9073 per share for an aggregate purchase price of \$3,187,023.72 (the July 2023 Longitude Secondary Transaction). Jue Pu, our then-director, was an affiliate of Lepu Holdings Limited at the time of the July 2023 Longitude Secondary Transaction. In connection with the August 2023 Longitude Secondary Transaction and the July 2023 Longitude Secondary Transaction, we entered into stock transfer agreements with Longitude Prime and each counterparty. In May 2023, Longitude Venture Partners IV, L.P., an entity affiliated with Longitude Venture Partners, entered into a common stock transfer agreement with various holders of capital stock pursuant to which Longitude Venture Partners IV, L.P. purchased 8,873,500 shares of common stock at a purchase price of \$0.80055 per share for an aggregate purchase price of \$7,103,680.43 (the May 2023 Longitude Secondary Transaction). In connection with the May 2023 Longitude Secondary Transaction, we entered into a common stock transfer agreement with Longitude Venture Partners IV, L.P. and each seller pursuant to which, among other things, we waived our right of first refusal to purchase the shares of common stock sold in the transaction.

In July 2023, Decheng Capital Global entered into a stock transfer agreement with Lepu Holdings Limited pursuant to which Decheng Capital Global purchased 3,512,646 shares of Series C redeemable convertible preferred stock from Lepu Holdings Limited at a purchase price of \$0.9073 per share for an aggregate purchase price of \$3,187,023.72 (the July 2023 Decheng Secondary Transaction). Jue Pu, our then-director, was an affiliate of Lepu Holdings Limited at the time of the July 2023 Decheng Secondary Transaction. In June 2023, Decheng Capital Global entered into a stock transfer agreement with a holder of our capital stock pursuant to which Decheng Capital Global purchased 2,024,725 shares of Series C redeemable convertible preferred stock at a purchase price of \$0.91 per share for an aggregate purchase price of \$1,842,499.75 (the June 2023 Decheng Secondary Transaction). In connection with the July 2023 Decheng Secondary Transaction and the June 2023 Decheng Secondary Transaction, we entered into stock transfer agreements with Decheng Capital Global and each seller. In May 2023, Decheng Capital Global entered into common stock transfer agreements with various holders of capital stock pursuant to which Decheng Capital Global purchased 8,873,500 shares of common stock at a purchase price of \$0.80055 per share for an aggregate purchase price of \$7,103,680.44 (the May 2023 Decheng Secondary Transaction). In connection with the May 2023 Decheng Secondary Transaction, we entered into a common stock transfer agreement with Decheng Capital Global and each seller pursuant to which, among other things, we waived our right of first refusal to purchase the shares of common stock sold in the transaction.

License and Collaboration Agreements

On March 11, 2019, we entered into the Development and License Agreement with Lepu. Jue Pu, a former member of our board of directors, is an affiliate of Lepu. On March 26, 2020, and as amended September 15, 2022, we entered into the License and Collaboration Agreement with Kissei. Osamu Nakanishi, a former member of our board of directors, is an affiliate of Kissei. Please see the section titled “Business—Collaboration and License Agreements” for a description of each of these agreements.

Investors’ Rights Agreement

We entered into an investors’ rights agreement in July 2014, as last amended and restated in July 2023 (the Investors’ Rights Agreement), with the holders of our redeemable convertible preferred stock and certain holders of our common stock, including the holders of more than 5% of our capital stock listed above as well as entities with which certain of our directors are affiliated. This agreement provides for certain rights relating to the registration of their shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of their redeemable convertible preferred stock and certain additional covenants made by us. Except for the registration rights (including the related provisions pursuant to which we have agreed to indemnify the parties to the Investors’ Rights Agreement), all rights under this agreement will terminate upon closing of this offering. The registration rights will continue following this offering and will terminate five years after the closing of this offering or earlier for certain holders. See the section titled “Description of Capital Stock—Registration Rights” for more information regarding these registration rights.

Voting Agreement

We entered into a voting agreement in July 2014, as last amended and restated in July 2023 (the Voting Agreement), with the holders of our redeemable convertible preferred stock and certain holders of our common stock, including the holders of more than 5% of our capital stock listed above as well as entities with which certain of our directors are affiliated, pursuant to which the following directors were each elected to serve as members on our board of directors and, as of the date of this prospectus, continue to so serve: Brian Liu, M.D., Simone Song, James J. Mulé, IPh.D., Arthur Kuan, Leonard Post, Ph.D. and Victor Tong, Jr. Pursuant to the Voting Agreement, Mr. Kuan, as our Chief Executive Officer, serves on our board of directors as the CEO director. Mr. Tong was selected to serve on our board of directors as representative of the holders of our common stock and holders of our redeemable convertible preferred stock, voting together as a single class on an as-converted basis, Dr. Post was selected to serve on our board of directors as representative of the holders of our common stock, Mr. Kuan was selected to serve on our board of directors as representative of the holders of our Series A-1 redeemable convertible preferred stock, Dr. Mulé was selected to serve on our board of directors as representative of the holders of our Series B redeemable convertible preferred stock, Ms. Song was selected to serve on our board of directors as representative of the holders of our Series C redeemable convertible preferred stock, and Dr. Liu was selected to serve on our board of directors as a representative of the holders of our Series E redeemable convertible preferred stock.

The Voting Agreement will terminate upon the closing of this offering, and members previously elected to our board of directors pursuant to this agreement will continue to serve as directors until they resign, are removed or their successors are duly elected by holders of our common stock. The composition of our board of directors after this offering is described in more detail in the section titled “Management—Board Composition and Election of Directors.”

Right of Refusal and Co-Sale Agreement

We entered into a right of first refusal and co-sale agreement in July 2014, as last amended and restated in July 2023 (the ROFR Agreement), with holders of our common stock affiliated with our executive officers, which entities are referred to in the ROFR Agreement as key holders, and certain other holders of redeemable

convertible preferred stock, including the holders of more than 5% of our capital stock listed above. Pursuant to the ROFR Agreement, we have a right of first refusal on certain transfers of our shares by the key holders, holders of our redeemable convertible preferred stock have a secondary right of first refusal on such transfers, and such redeemable convertible preferred stockholders have a right of co-sale in respect of such transfers. The ROFR Agreement will terminate upon the closing of this offering.

Consulting Agreement with Danforth Advisors

On March 16, 2021, we entered into a consulting agreement with Danforth Advisors, LLC (Danforth) to provide us with resources to assist with our day-to-day finance and accounting functions. Services provided under the agreement with Danforth are billed at hourly rates. Stephen DiPalma, a managing director at Danforth, served as our Chief Financial Officer on a part-time basis through January 2024 and was compensated through his position at Danforth. Mr. DiPalma will continue to provide us consulting services through our agreement with Danforth. The agreement does not have a specified term and can be terminated without cause upon 30 days' notice by either party. During the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2022 and during the nine-month period ended September 30, 2023, we made payments to Danforth for such services of \$57,875, \$38,392 and \$201,882, respectively.

Consulting Agreement with Lion Healthcare Strategies

On April 15, 2021, we entered into a consulting agreement with Lion Healthcare Strategies to provide us with corporate and strategic consulting services. Services provided under the agreement with Lion Healthcare Strategies are billed at daily or hourly rates. Mr. Bellete is the sole owner of Lion Healthcare Strategies, served as Chief Executive Officer of Lion Healthcare Strategies, from April 2021 to August 2023, and has served as our President and Chief Operating Officer since July 2023. The agreement was terminated when Mr. Bellete joined our company. During the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2022 and during the nine-month period ended September 30, 2023, we made payments to Lion Healthcare Strategies for such services of \$204,000, \$433,269 and \$308,408, respectively.

Director and Officer Indemnification

We have entered into indemnification agreements with each of our directors and executive officers. These agreements, among other things, require us or will require us to indemnify each director (and in certain cases their related venture capital funds) and executive officer to the fullest extent permitted by Delaware law, including indemnification of expenses such as attorneys' fees, judgments, fines and settlement amounts incurred by the director or executive officer in any action or proceeding, including any action or proceeding by or in right of us, arising out of the person's services as a director or executive officer.

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and our amended and restated bylaws provide that we will indemnify each of our directors and officers to the fullest extent permitted by the Delaware General Corporation Law. Further, we have purchased a policy of directors' and officers' liability insurance that insures our directors and officers against the cost of defense, settlement or payment of a judgment under certain circumstances. For further information, see the section titled "Executive and Director Compensation—Limitations of Liability and Indemnification Matters."

Policies and Procedures for Related Person Transactions

Our board of directors has adopted a written related person transaction policy, to be effective upon the closing of this offering, setting forth the policies and procedures for the review and approval or ratification of related person transactions. This policy will cover, with certain exceptions set forth in Item 404 of Regulation S-K under the Securities Act, any transaction, arrangement or relationship, or any series of similar transactions, arrangements or relationships in which we were or are to be a participant, where the amount involved exceeds the lesser of \$120,000 or one percent of the average of our total assets at year-end for the last two completed fiscal

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years, and a related person had or will have a direct or indirect material interest, including, without limitation, purchases of goods or services by or from the related person or entities in which the related person has a material interest, indebtedness, guarantees of indebtedness and employment by us of a related person. In reviewing and approving any such transactions, our audit committee will be tasked to consider all relevant facts and circumstances, including, but not limited to, whether the transaction is on terms comparable to those that could be obtained in an arm's length transaction and the extent of the related person's interest in the transaction. All of the transactions described in this section occurred prior to the adoption of this policy.

PRINCIPAL STOCKHOLDERS

The following table sets forth information with respect to the beneficial ownership of our common stock as of January 10, 2024, and as adjusted to reflect the sale of shares of common stock in this offering, by:

- each of our named executive officers;
- each of our directors;
- all of our executive officers and directors as a group; and
- each person or group of affiliated persons known by us to beneficially own more than 5% of our common stock.

The number of shares beneficially owned by each stockholder is determined under rules issued by the SEC. Under these rules, beneficial ownership includes any shares as to which a person has sole or shared voting power or investment power. Applicable percentage ownership is based on 43,636,185 shares of common stock outstanding on January 10, 2024, which gives effect to the automatic conversion of all outstanding shares of our redeemable convertible preferred stock into 38,413,913 shares of our common stock immediately prior to the closing of this offering. In computing the number of shares beneficially owned by a person and the percentage ownership of that person, shares of common stock subject to options or other rights held by such person that are currently exercisable or that will become exercisable or otherwise vest within 60 days of January 10, 2024 are considered outstanding, although these shares are not considered outstanding for purposes of computing the percentage ownership of any other person. The table below excludes any potential purchases in this offering by the beneficial owners identified in the table below.

Unless otherwise indicated, the address of each beneficial owner listed below is c/o CG Oncology, Inc., 400 Spectrum Center Drive, Suite 2040, Irvine, CA 92618. We believe, based on information provided to us, that each of the stockholders listed below has sole voting and investment power with respect to the shares beneficially owned by the stockholder unless noted otherwise, subject to community property laws where applicable.

Name of Beneficial Owner	Number of Shares Beneficially Owned	Percentage of Shares Beneficially Owned	
		Before Offering	After Offering
5% or Greater Stockholders			
Entities affiliated with ORI Capital ⁽¹⁾	4,941,367	11.3%	8.9%
Decheng Capital Global Life Sciences Fund IV, L.P. ⁽²⁾	4,558,810	10.4%	8.2%
Entities affiliated with Longitude Venture Partners ⁽³⁾	4,162,267	9.5%	7.5%
Kissei Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. ⁽⁴⁾	3,543,533	8.1%	6.4%
Entities affiliated with Foresite Capital ⁽⁵⁾	2,770,203	6.3%	5.0%
TCG Crossover Fund I, L.P. ⁽⁶⁾	2,770,206	6.3%	5.0%
Entities affiliated with Ally Bridge Group ⁽⁷⁾	2,493,844	5.7%	4.5%
Named Executive Officers and Directors			
Arthur Kuan ⁽⁸⁾	287,315	*	*
Ambaw Bellete ⁽⁹⁾	25,125	*	*
Vijay Kasturi ⁽¹⁰⁾	1,529	*	*
Brian Liu, M.D.	—	—	—
Susan Graf	—	—	—
James J. Mulé, IPh.D. ⁽¹¹⁾	61,138	*	*
Leonard Post, Ph.D. ⁽¹²⁾	138,572	*	*
Simone Song ⁽¹³⁾	5,292,138	12.1%	9.5%
Victor Tong, Jr.	—	—	—
All executive officers and directors as a group (10 persons) ⁽¹⁴⁾	864,450	2.0%	1.5%

* Less than 1%.

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- (1) Consists of (i) 1,011,191 shares of common stock held by Unique Diamond Investments Limited and (ii) 3,930,176 shares of common stock held by Charming Jade Limited. Unique Diamond Investments Limited is a wholly-owned subsidiary of ORI Healthcare Fund, L.P. ORI Capital Inc. is the general partner of ORI Healthcare Fund, L.P. and may be deemed to have voting, investment and dispositive power with respect to these securities. ORI Capital Inc. is a wholly-owned subsidiary of ORI Capital Holding Inc, which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Healthcare Seed Limited. Charming Jade Limited is a wholly-owned subsidiary of ORI Healthcare Fund II, L.P. ORI Capital II Inc. is the general partner of ORI Healthcare Fund II, L.P. and may be deemed to have voting, investment and dispositive power with respect to these securities. ORI Capital II Inc. is a wholly-owned subsidiary of ORI Capital Holding Inc, which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Healthcare Seed Limited. Ms. Song is the sole owner of Healthcare Seed Limited. The business address for Ms. Song and these entities is C/O Room Nos. 4727-4734, 47/F, Sun Hung Kai Centre, 30 Harbour Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong.
- (2) Consists of 4,558,810 shares of common stock held by Decheng Capital Global Life Sciences Fund IV, L.P. Decheng Capital Management IV (Cayman), LLC (the Decheng GP) is the general partner of the Fund. Xiangmin Cui is the manager of the Decheng GP. Each of the Fund, the Decheng GP and Dr. Cui may be deemed to beneficially own the securities held by the Fund. Each of the Fund, the Decheng GP and Dr. Cui disclaim beneficial ownership of these securities, except to the extent of their respective pecuniary interests therein. The business address for Decheng is 3000 Sand Hill Road, Building 2, Suite 110, Menlo Park, California 94025.
- (3) Consists of (i) 3,190,463 shares of common stock held by Longitude Venture Partners IV, L.P. (LVPIV) and (ii) 971,804 shares of common stock held by Longitude Prime Fund, L.P. (LPP). Longitude Capital Partners IV, LLC (LCPIV) is the general partner of LVPIV and may be deemed to have voting, investment and dispositive power with respect to these securities. Longitude Prime Partners, LLC (LPP) is the general partner of LPP and may be deemed to have voting, investment and dispositive power with respect to the securities held by LPP. Juliet Tammenoms Bakker and Patrick G. Enright are the managing members of LCPIV and LPP and may each be deemed to share voting, investment and dispositive power with respect to these securities. Each of LPP, LCPIV, Ms. Tammenoms Bakker and Mr. Enright disclaim beneficial ownership of such shares except to the extent of their respective pecuniary interests therein. The business address for these individuals and entities is 2740 Sand Hill Road, 2nd Floor, Menlo Park, California 94025.
- (4) Consists of 3,543,533 shares of common stock held by Kissei Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. (Tokyo Stock Exchange, stock code: 4547). The business address for Kissei is 19-48 Yoshino, Matsumoto City, Nagano, Japan.
- (5) Consists of (i) 692,550 shares of common stock held by Foresite Capital Fund V, L.P. (Fund V), (ii) 1,385,103 shares of common stock held by Foresite Capital Fund VI, L.P. (Fund VI) and (iii) 692,550 shares of common stock held by Foresite Capital Opportunity Fund V, L.P. (Opportunity Fund V), and, together with Fund V and Fund VI, Foresite Capital Management V LLC (FCM V) is the general partner of Fund V. Foresite Capital Management VI, LLC (FCM VI) is the general partner of Fund VI. Foresite Capital Opportunity Management V, LLC (FCOM V) is the general partner of Opportunity Fund V. FCM V, FCM VI and FCOM V may be deemed to have sole voting and dispositive power over these shares. James B. Tananbaum is the sole managing member of FCM V, FCM VI and FCOM V and may be deemed to have sole voting and dispositive power over these shares. Each of FCM V, FCM VI, FCOM V and Dr. Tananbaum disclaim beneficial ownership of these securities, except to the extent of their respective pecuniary interests therein. The address of Foresite, FCM VI, FCM V, FCOM V and Dr. Tananbaum is 900 Larkspur Landing Circle, Suite 150 Larkspur, CA 94939.
- (6) Consists of 2,770,206 shares of common stock held by TCG Crossover Fund I, L.P. TCG Crossover GP I, LLC (TCG Crossover GP I) is the general partner of TCG Crossover Fund I, L.P. (TCG Crossover I) and may be deemed to have voting, investment, and dispositive power with respect to these securities. Chen Yu is the sole managing member of TCG Crossover GP I and may be deemed to share voting, investment and dispositive power with respect to these securities. The business address for TCG Crossover GP I, TCG Crossover I and Mr. Yu is 705 High St., Palo Alto, CA 94301.
- (7) Consists of (i) 1,052,048 shares of common stock held by ABG II-ColdGen Limited (ABG II SPV), (ii) 325,906 shares of common stock held by ABG V-CG Limited (ABG V SPV), (iii) 915,500 shares of common stock held by ABG WTT-CG Limited (ABG WTT SPV) and (iv) 200,390 shares of common stock held by ABG-ColdGen Limited (ABG I SPV). ABG Capital Partners II GP Limited (ABG II GP) is the sole general partner of ABG Capital Partners II GP, L.P., which is the sole general partner of Ally Bridge Group Capital Partners II, L.P. that owns 100% of ABG II SPV. ABG Global Life Science Capital Partners V GP Limited (ABG V GP) is the sole general partner of ABG Global Life Science Capital Partners V GP, L.P., which is the sole general partner of Ally Bridge Group Global Life Science Capital Partners V, L.P. that owns 100% of ABG V SPV. ABG-WTT Global Life Science Capital Partners GP Limited (ABG WTT GP) is the sole general partner of ABG-WTT Global Life Science Capital Partners GP, L.P., which is the sole general partner of Ally Bridge Group-WTT Global Life Science Capital Partners, L.P. that owns 100% of ABG WTT SPV. Ally Bridge Group (ABG I), a Cayman Islands incorporated limited liability company, owns 100% of ABG I SPV. Mr. Fan Yu (Frank) is the controlling person of each of ABG II GP, ABG V GP, ABG WTT GP and the board of ABG I, and in such capacity, has voting control and investment control with respect to the shares held by ABG II SPV, ABG V SPV, ABG WTT SPV and ABG I SPV. The business address for ABG II SPV, ABG V SPV, ABG WTT SPV and ABG I SPV is Room 2128 & 2153, 21/F, New World Tower, 16-18 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong.
- (8) Consists of 36,151 shares of common stock held directly and 251,164 shares of common stock underlying options held by Mr. Kuan that are exercisable as of January 10, 2024 or that will become exercisable within 60 days after such date.
- (9) Consists of 25,125 shares of common stock underlying options held by Mr. Bellete that are exercisable as of January 10, 2024 or that will become exercisable within 60 days after such date.
- (10) Consists of 1,529 shares of common stock underlying options held by Dr. Kasturi that are exercisable as of January 10, 2024 or that will become exercisable within 60 days after such date.
- (11) Consists of 61,138 shares of common stock underlying options held by Dr. Mulé that are exercisable as of January 10, 2024 or that will become exercisable within 60 days after such date.
- (12) Consists of 138,572 shares of common stock underlying options held by Dr. Post that are exercisable as of January 10, 2024 or that will become exercisable within 60 days after such date.
- (13) Consists of (i) 1,011,191 shares of common stock held by Unique Diamond Investments Limited, (ii) 3,930,176 shares of common stock held by Charming Jade Limited and (iii) 350,771 shares of common stock held directly by Ms. Song, as further described in footnote 1 above.
- (14) Includes the shares described in footnotes 8, 11, 12 and 13 above.

DESCRIPTION OF CAPITAL STOCK

General

The following description summarizes some of the terms of our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws that will be in effect upon the closing of this offering, our investors' rights agreement and of the Delaware General Corporation Law. Because it is only a summary, it does not contain all the information that may be important to you. For a complete description you should refer to our amended and restated certificate of incorporation, amended and restated bylaws and our investors' rights agreement, copies of which have been filed as exhibits to the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part.

Following the closing of this offering, our authorized capital stock will consist of 700,000,000 shares of common stock, \$0.0001 par value per share, and 70,000,000 shares of preferred stock, \$0.0001 par value per share.

Common Stock

As of September 30, 2023, there were 43,482,511 shares of our common stock outstanding and held of record by 102 stockholders, after giving effect to the automatic conversion of all outstanding shares of our redeemable convertible preferred stock into 38,413,913 shares of common stock, which will automatically occur immediately prior to the closing of this offering. Based on the number of shares of common stock outstanding as of September 30, 2023, and further assuming the issuance by us of 11,800,000 shares of common stock in this offering, there will be 55,282,511 shares of common stock outstanding upon the closing of this offering. Holders of our common stock are entitled to one vote for each share held on all matters submitted to a vote of stockholders, including the election of directors, and do not have cumulative voting rights. Accordingly, the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of common stock entitled to vote in any election of directors can elect all of the directors standing for election, if they so choose, other than any directors that holders of any preferred stock we may issue may be entitled to elect. Subject to the supermajority votes for some matters, other matters shall be decided by the affirmative vote of our stockholders having a majority in voting power of the votes cast by the stockholders present or represented and voting on such matter. Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws also provide that our directors may be removed only for cause and only by the affirmative vote of the holders of at least two-thirds in voting power of the outstanding shares of capital stock entitled to vote thereon. In addition, the affirmative vote of the holders of at least two-thirds in voting power of the outstanding shares of capital stock entitled to vote thereon is required to amend or repeal, or to adopt any provision inconsistent with, several of the provisions of our amended and restated certificate of incorporation. See the subsection titled "—Anti-Takeover Effects of Delaware Law and Our Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws-Amendment of Charter Provisions" below.

Subject to preferences that may be applicable to any then outstanding preferred stock, holders of common stock are entitled to receive ratably those dividends, if any, as may be declared by the board of directors out of legally available funds. In the event of our liquidation, dissolution or winding up, the holders of common stock will be entitled to share ratably in the assets legally available for distribution to stockholders after the payment of or provision for all of our debts and other liabilities, subject to the prior rights of any preferred stock then outstanding. Holders of common stock have no preemptive or conversion rights or other subscription rights and there are no redemption or sinking funds provisions applicable to the common stock. All outstanding shares of common stock are, and the common stock to be outstanding upon the closing of this offering will be, duly authorized, validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable. The rights, preferences and privileges of holders of common stock are subject to and may be adversely affected by the rights of the holders of shares of any series of preferred stock that we may designate and issue in the future.

Preferred Stock

Upon the closing of this offering, all of our previously outstanding shares of redeemable convertible preferred stock will have been converted into common stock, there will be no authorized shares of our previously

outstanding redeemable convertible preferred stock, and we will have no shares of preferred stock outstanding. Under the terms of our amended and restated certificate of incorporation, which will become effective immediately prior to the closing of this offering, our board of directors has the authority, without further action by our stockholders, to issue up to 70,000,000 shares of preferred stock in one or more series, to establish from time to time the number of shares to be included in each such series, to fix the dividend, voting and other rights, preferences and privileges of the shares of each wholly unissued series and any qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereon, and to increase or decrease the number of shares of any such series, but not below the number of shares of such series then outstanding.

Our board of directors may authorize the issuance of preferred stock with voting or conversion rights that could adversely affect the voting power or other rights of the holders of the common stock. The issuance of preferred stock, while providing flexibility in connection with possible acquisitions and other corporate purposes, could, among other things, have the effect of delaying, deterring or preventing a change in our control and may adversely affect the market price of the common stock and the voting and other rights of the holders of common stock. We have no current plans to issue any shares of preferred stock.

Options

As of September 30, 2023, options to purchase 4,688,990 shares of our common stock were outstanding, of which 1,626,947 were vested and exercisable as of that date. For additional information regarding the terms of our 2015 Plan and 2022 Plan, see the sections titled “Executive and Director Compensation—Equity Incentive Plans—2015 Equity Incentive Plan” and “Executive and Director Compensation—Equity Incentive Plans—2022 Incentive Award Plan.”

Registration Rights

As of September 30, 2023, upon the closing of this offering holders of 38,413,913 shares of our common stock, which includes all of the shares of common stock issuable upon the automatic conversion redeemable convertible preferred stock immediately prior to the closing of this offering, will be entitled to the following rights with respect to the registration of such shares for public resale under the Securities Act, pursuant to an investors’ rights agreement by and among us and certain investors. The registration of shares of common stock as a result of the following rights being exercised would enable holders to trade these shares without restriction under the Securities Act when the applicable registration statement is declared effective.

Demand Registration Rights

Form S-1. If at any time beginning six months following the closing of this offering, the holders of at least 25% of the registrable securities then-outstanding request in writing that we effect a registration, we may be required to provide notice of such request to all holders of registrable securities and offer them the opportunity to participate in such registration, and to use best efforts to effect such registration; provided, however, that we will not be required to effect such a registration if, among other things, we have already effected either one registration in the last twelve months or three registrations in total for the holders of registrable securities in response to these demand registration rights, or the anticipated aggregate proceeds of the registration (after deduction for underwriter’s discounts and expenses related to the issuance) are less than \$5 million.

Form S-3. If at any time beginning six months following the closing of this offering, any holder of registrable securities then-outstanding requests in writing that we effect a registration with respect to all or a part of the registrable securities then outstanding, we may be required to provide notice of such request to all holders of registrable securities and offer them the opportunity to participate in such registration, and to use best efforts to effect such registration; provided, however, that we will not be required to effect such a registration if, among other things, Form S-3 is not available for such offering or the anticipated aggregate offering price to the public is less than \$1 million.

If the holders requesting registration intend to distribute their shares by means of an underwritten offering, the underwriter of such offering will have the right to limit the number of shares to be underwritten for reasons related to the marketing of the shares in accordance with the cut-back provisions of the investors' rights agreement.

Piggyback Registration Rights

If at any time following the closing of this offering we propose to register any shares of our common stock under the Securities Act, subject to certain exceptions, the holders of registrable securities will be entitled to notice of the registration and to include their shares of registrable securities in the registration. If our proposed registration involves an underwritten offering, the managing underwriter of such offering will have the right to limit the number of shares to be underwritten for reasons related to the marketing of the shares in accordance with the cut-back provisions of the investors' rights agreement.

Indemnification

Our investors' rights agreement contains customary cross indemnification provisions, under which we are obligated to indemnify holders of registrable securities in the event of material misstatements or omissions in a registration statement attributable to us, and they are obligated to indemnify us for material misstatements or omissions attributable to them.

Expenses

Other than underwriting discounts and commissions, we will be required to pay all expenses incurred by us related to any registration effected pursuant to the exercise of these registration rights. These expenses may include all registration and filing fees, printing expenses, fees and disbursements of our counsel, reasonable fees and disbursements of a counsel for the selling securityholders, blue sky fees and expenses and the expenses of any special audits incident to the registration.

Termination of Registration Rights

The registration rights terminate upon the earlier of (i) five years after the closing of this offering or (ii) with respect to a particular holder, such time as Rule 144 or another similar exemption under the Securities Act is available for the sale of all shares by such holder without limitation during a three-month period without registration.

Anti-Takeover Effects of Delaware Law and Our Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws

Some provisions of Delaware law, our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and our amended and restated bylaws contain provisions that could make the following transactions more difficult: an acquisition of us by means of a tender offer; an acquisition of us by means of a proxy contest or otherwise; or the removal of our incumbent officers and directors. It is possible that these provisions could make it more difficult to accomplish or could deter transactions that stockholders may otherwise consider to be in their best interest or in our best interests, including transactions that provide for payment of a premium over the market price for our shares.

These provisions, summarized below, are intended to discourage coercive takeover practices and inadequate takeover bids. These provisions are also designed to encourage persons seeking to acquire control of us to first negotiate with our board of directors. We believe that the benefits of the increased protection of our potential ability to negotiate with the proponent of an unfriendly or unsolicited proposal to acquire or restructure us outweigh the disadvantages of discouraging these proposals because negotiation of these proposals could result in an improvement of their terms.

Undesignated Preferred Stock

The ability of our board of directors, without action by the stockholders, to issue up to 70,000,000 shares of undesignated preferred stock with voting or other rights or preferences as designated by our board of directors could impede the success of any attempt to change control of us. These and other provisions may have the effect of deferring hostile takeovers or delaying changes in control or management of our company.

Stockholder Meetings

Our amended and restated bylaws provide that a special meeting of stockholders may be called only by our chairman of the board of directors, chief executive officer or president, or by a resolution adopted by a majority of our board of directors.

Requirements for Advance Notification of Stockholder Nominations and Proposals

Our amended and restated bylaws establish advance notice procedures with respect to stockholder proposals to be brought before a stockholder meeting and the nomination of candidates for election as directors, other than nominations made by or at the direction of the board of directors or a committee of the board of directors.

Elimination of Stockholder Action by Written Consent

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws eliminate the right of stockholders to act by written consent without a meeting.

Staggered Board of Directors

Our amended and restated bylaws provide that our board of directors will be divided into three classes. The directors in each class will serve for a three-year term, with one class being elected each year by our stockholders. For more information on the classified board of directors, see the section titled “Management—Board Composition and Election of Directors.” This system of electing directors may tend to discourage a third party from attempting to obtain control of us, because it generally makes it more difficult for stockholders to replace a majority of the directors.

Removal of Directors

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation provides that no member of our board of directors may be removed from office except for cause and, in addition to any other vote required by law, upon the approval of not less than two thirds of the total voting power of all of our outstanding voting stock then entitled to vote in the election of directors.

Stockholders Not Entitled to Cumulative Voting

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation does not permit stockholders to cumulate their votes in the election of directors. Accordingly, the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of our common stock entitled to vote in any election of directors can elect all of the directors standing for election, if they choose, other than any directors that holders of our preferred stock may be entitled to elect.

Delaware Anti-Takeover Statute

We are subject to Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, which prohibits persons deemed to be “interested stockholders” from engaging in a “business combination” with a publicly held Delaware corporation for three years following the date these persons become interested stockholders unless the business

combination is, or the transaction in which the person became an interested stockholder was, approved in a prescribed manner or another prescribed exception applies. Generally, an “interested stockholder” is a person who, together with affiliates and associates, owns, or within three years prior to the determination of interested stockholder status did own, 15% or more of a corporation’s voting stock. Generally, a “business combination” includes a merger, asset or stock sale, or other transaction resulting in a financial benefit to the interested stockholder. The existence of this provision may have an anti-takeover effect with respect to transactions not approved in advance by the board of directors.

Choice of Forum

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation provides that, unless we consent in writing to the selection of an alternative form, the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware (the Court of Chancery) (or, in the event the Court of Chancery does not have jurisdiction, the federal district court for the District of Delaware or other state courts of the State of Delaware) will be the sole and exclusive forum for the following types of actions or proceedings under Delaware statutory or common law: (i) any derivative action or proceeding brought on our behalf; (ii) any action asserting a claim of breach of a fiduciary duty by any of our directors, officers or stockholders to us or our stockholders; (iii) any action asserting a claim against us arising pursuant to any provision of the Delaware General Corporation Law or our amended and restated certificate of incorporation or amended and restated bylaws; or (iv) any action asserting a claim governed by the internal affairs doctrine, in all cases to the fullest extent permitted by law. The provision would not apply to suits brought to enforce a duty or liability created by the Exchange Act or any other claim for which the federal courts have exclusive jurisdiction. Furthermore, our amended and restated certificate of incorporation will also provide that unless we consent in writing to the selection of an alternative forum, the federal district courts of the United States shall be the exclusive forum for the resolution of any complaint asserting a cause of action arising under the Securities Act, including all causes of action asserted against any defendant to such complaint. For the avoidance of doubt, this provision is intended to benefit and may be enforced by us, our officers and directors, the underwriters to any offering giving rise to such complaint, and any other professional entity whose profession gives authority to a statement made by that person or entity and who has prepared or certified any part of the documents underlying the offering. In any case, stockholders will not be deemed to have waived our compliance with the federal securities laws and the rules and regulations thereunder. The enforceability of similar choice of forum provisions in other companies’ certificates of incorporation has been challenged in legal proceedings, and it is possible that a court could find these types of provisions to be inapplicable or unenforceable. Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation also provides that any person or entity purchasing or otherwise acquiring any interest in shares of our capital stock will be deemed to have notice of and to have consented to this choice of forum provision.

Amendment of Charter Provisions

The amendment of any of the above provisions, except for the provision making it possible for our board of directors to issue preferred stock, would require approval by holders of at least two thirds of the total voting power of all of our outstanding voting stock.

The provisions of Delaware law, our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and our amended and restated bylaws could have the effect of discouraging others from attempting hostile takeovers and, as a consequence, they may also inhibit temporary fluctuations in the market price of our common stock that often result from actual or rumored hostile takeover attempts. These provisions may also have the effect of preventing changes in the composition of our board of directors and management. It is possible that these provisions could make it more difficult to accomplish transactions that stockholders may otherwise deem to be in their best interests.

Transfer Agent and Registrar

The transfer agent and registrar for our common stock will be Broadridge Corporate Issuer Solutions, LLC. The transfer agent and registrar's address is 51 Mercedes Way, Edgewood, NY 11717.

The Nasdaq Global Select Market Listing

We have applied to have our common stock listed on the Nasdaq Global Select Market under the symbol "CGON," and this offering is contingent upon obtaining such approval.

Limitations of Liability and Indemnification Matters

For a discussion of liability and indemnification, see the section titled "Executive and Director Compensation—Limitations of Liability and Indemnification Matters."

SHARES ELIGIBLE FOR FUTURE SALE

Immediately prior to this offering, there was no public market for our common stock. Future sales of substantial amounts of common stock in the public market, or the perception that such sales may occur, could adversely affect the market price of our common stock. Although we have applied to have our common stock listed on Nasdaq, we cannot assure you that there will be an active public market for our common stock.

Based on the number of shares of our common stock outstanding as of September 30, 2023, and assuming (i) the issuance of 11,800,000 shares in this offering, (ii) the automatic conversion of all of our outstanding shares of redeemable convertible preferred stock into 38,413,913 shares of common stock and the related reclassification of the carrying value of the redeemable convertible preferred stock to permanent equity upon the closing of this offering, (iii) no exercise of the underwriters' over-allotment option and (iv) no exercise of outstanding options, we will have outstanding an aggregate of 55,282,511 shares of common stock following the closing of this offering.

Of these shares, all shares sold in this offering will be freely tradable without restriction or further registration under the Securities Act, except for any shares purchased by our "affiliates," as that term is defined in Rule 144 under the Securities Act. Shares purchased by our affiliates would be subject to the Rule 144 resale restrictions described below, other than the holding period requirement.

The remaining 43,482,511 shares of common stock will be "restricted securities," as that term is defined in Rule 144 under the Securities Act. These restricted securities are eligible for public sale only if they are registered under the Securities Act or if they qualify for an exemption from registration under Rule 144 or Rule 701 under the Securities Act, each of which is summarized below. We expect that substantially all of these shares will be subject to the 180-day lock-up period under the lock-up agreements described below.

Lock-Up Agreements

We, our officers, directors and substantially all of our securityholders, have agreed with the underwriters that for a period of 180 days, after the date of this prospectus, among other things and subject to certain exceptions, we or they will not offer, pledge, sell, contract to sell, sell any option or contract to purchase, purchase any option or contract to sell, grant any option, right or warrant to sell, or otherwise dispose of or transfer any shares of common stock or any securities convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for shares of common stock, request or demand that we file a registration statement related to our common stock or enter into any swap or other agreement that transfers to another, in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, the economic consequence of ownership of the common stock, or publicly declare an intention to do any of the foregoing. Upon expiration of the lock-up period, certain of our stockholders will have the right to require us to register their shares under the Securities Act. See the subsection titled "—Registration Rights" below and the section titled "Description of Capital Stock—Registration Rights."

Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC and Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC may, in their sole discretion and at any time or from time to time before the termination of the lock-up period, in certain cases without public notice, release all or any portion of the securities subject to lock-up agreements. There are no existing agreements between the underwriters and any of our stockholders who will execute a lock-up agreement providing consent to the sale of shares prior to the expiration of the lock-up period.

Upon the expiration of the lock-up period, substantially all of the shares subject to such lock-up restrictions will become eligible for sale, subject to the limitations discussed above.

Rule 10b5-1 Trading Plans

Following the closing of this offering, certain of our officers, directors and significant stockholders may adopt written plans, known as Rule 10b5-1 trading plans, in which they will contract with a broker to buy or sell

shares of our common stock on a periodic basis to diversify their assets and investments. Under these 10b5-1 trading plans, a broker may execute trades pursuant to parameters established by the officer, director or stockholder when entering into the plan, without further direction from such officer, director or stockholder. Such sales would not commence until the expiration of the applicable lock-up agreements entered into by such officer, director or stockholder in connection with this offering.

Rule 144

Affiliate Resales of Restricted Securities

In general, under Rule 144 as currently in effect, beginning 90 days after the effective date of the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part, a person who is an affiliate of ours, or who was an affiliate at any time during the 90 days before a sale, and who has beneficially owned shares of our common stock for at least six months would be entitled to sell in “broker’s transactions” or certain “riskless principal transactions” or to market makers, a number of shares within any three-month period that does not exceed the greater of:

- 1% of the number of shares of our common stock then outstanding, which will equal approximately 552,825 shares immediately after this offering, assuming no exercise of the underwriters’ over-allotment option; or
- the average weekly trading volume in our common stock on Nasdaq during the four calendar weeks preceding the filing of a notice on Form 144 with respect to such sale.

An “affiliate” is a person that directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controls or is controlled by, or is under common control with an issuer. Affiliate resales under Rule 144 are also subject to the availability of current public information about us. In addition, if the number of shares being sold under Rule 144 by an affiliate during any three-month period exceeds 5,000 shares or has an aggregate sale price in excess of \$50,000, the seller must file a notice on Form 144 with the SEC and Nasdaq concurrently with either the placing of a sale order with the broker or the execution of a sale directly with a market maker.

Non-Affiliate Resales of Restricted Securities

In general, under Rule 144 as currently in effect, beginning 90 days after the effective date of the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part, a person who is not an affiliate of ours at the time of sale, and has not been an affiliate at any time during the three months preceding a sale, and who has beneficially owned shares of our common stock for at least six months but less than a year, is entitled to sell such shares subject only to the availability of current public information about us. If such person has held our shares for at least one year, such person can resell under Rule 144(b)(1) without regard to any Rule 144 restrictions, including the 90-day public company requirement and the current public information requirement.

Non-affiliate resales are not subject to the manner of sale, volume limitation or notice filing provisions of Rule 144.

Rule 701

In general, under Rule 701 as currently in effect, any of an issuer’s employees, directors, officers, consultants or advisors who purchase shares from the issuer in connection with a compensatory stock or option plan or other written agreement before the effective date of a registration statement under the Securities Act are entitled to sell such shares 90 days after such effective date in reliance on Rule 144. An affiliate of the issuer can resell shares in reliance on Rule 144 without having to comply with the holding period requirement, and non-affiliates of the issuer can resell shares in reliance on Rule 144 without having to comply with the current public information and holding period requirements. However, substantially all Rule 701 shares are subject to lock-up agreements as described above and will become eligible for sale in compliance with Rule 144 only upon the expiration of the restrictions set forth in those agreements.

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The SEC has indicated that Rule 701 will apply to typical options granted by an issuer before it becomes subject to the reporting requirements of the Exchange Act, along with the shares acquired upon exercise of such options, including exercises after an issuer becomes subject to the reporting requirements of the Exchange Act.

Equity Plans

We intend to file one or more registration statements on Form S-8 under the Securities Act to register all shares of common stock subject to outstanding stock options and common stock issued or issuable under our equity incentive plans and employee stock purchase plan. We expect to file the registration statement covering shares offered pursuant to these stock plans shortly after the date of this prospectus, permitting the resale of such shares by non-affiliates in the public market without restriction under the Securities Act and the sale by affiliates in the public market subject to compliance with the resale provisions of Rule 144.

Registration Rights

Upon the closing of this offering, holders of 38,413,913 shares of our common stock, which includes all of the shares of common stock issuable upon the automatic conversion of our redeemable convertible preferred stock into shares of our common stock immediately prior to the closing of this offering, will be entitled to various rights with respect to the registration of these shares under the Securities Act upon the closing of this offering. Registration of these shares under the Securities Act would result in these shares becoming freely tradable without restriction under the Securities Act immediately upon the effectiveness of the registration, except for shares purchased by our affiliates. See the section titled “Description of Capital Stock—Registration Rights” for additional information. Shares covered by a registration statement will be eligible for sale in the public market upon the expiration or release from the terms of the lock-up agreements described above.

MATERIAL UNITED STATES FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSEQUENCES TO NON-U.S. HOLDERS

The following discussion is a summary of the material U.S. federal income tax consequences to Non-U.S. Holders (as defined below) of the purchase, ownership and disposition of our common stock issued pursuant to this offering, but does not purport to be a complete analysis of all potential tax effects. The effects of other U.S. federal tax laws, such as estate and gift tax laws, and any applicable state, local or non-U.S. tax laws are not discussed. This discussion is based on the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code), Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder, judicial decisions, and published rulings and administrative pronouncements of the U.S. Internal Revenue Service (the IRS), in each case in effect as of the date hereof. These authorities may change or be subject to differing interpretations. Any such change or differing interpretation may be applied retroactively in a manner that could adversely affect a Non-U.S. Holder. We have not sought and will not seek any rulings from the IRS regarding the matters discussed below. There can be no assurance the IRS or a court will not take a contrary position to that discussed below regarding the tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and disposition of our common stock.

This discussion is limited to Non-U.S. Holders that hold our common stock as a “capital asset” within the meaning of Section 1221 of the Code (generally, property held for investment). This discussion does not address all U.S. federal income tax consequences relevant to a Non-U.S. Holder’s particular circumstances, including the impact of the Medicare contribution tax on net investment income and the alternative minimum tax provisions of the Code. In addition, it does not address consequences relevant to Non-U.S. Holders subject to special rules, including, without limitation:

- U.S. expatriates and former citizens or long-term residents of the United States;
- persons holding our common stock as part of a hedge, straddle or other risk reduction strategy or as part of a conversion transaction or other integrated investment;
- banks, insurance companies and other financial institutions;
- brokers, dealers or traders in securities;
- “controlled foreign corporations,” “passive foreign investment companies” and corporations that accumulate earnings to avoid U.S. federal income tax;
- partnerships or other entities or arrangements treated as partnerships for U.S. federal income tax purposes (and investors therein);
- tax-exempt organizations or governmental organizations;
- persons deemed to sell our common stock under the constructive sale provisions of the Code;
- persons who hold or receive our common stock pursuant to the exercise of any employee stock option or otherwise as compensation;
- tax-qualified retirement plans; and
- “qualified foreign pension funds” as defined in Section 897(1)(2) of the Code and entities all of the interests of which are held by qualified foreign pension funds.

If an entity or arrangement treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes holds our common stock, the tax treatment of a partner in the partnership will depend on the status of the partner, the activities of the partnership and certain determinations made at the partner level. Accordingly, partnerships holding our common stock and the partners in such partnerships should consult their tax advisors regarding the U.S. federal income tax consequences to them.

THIS DISCUSSION IS FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY AND IS NOT TAX ADVICE. INVESTORS SHOULD CONSULT THEIR TAX ADVISORS WITH RESPECT TO THE APPLICATION OF THE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX LAWS TO THEIR PARTICULAR

SITUATIONS AS WELL AS ANY TAX CONSEQUENCES OF THE PURCHASE, OWNERSHIP AND DISPOSITION OF OUR COMMON STOCK ARISING UNDER THE U.S. FEDERAL ESTATE OR GIFT TAX LAWS OR UNDER THE LAWS OF ANY STATE, LOCAL OR NON-U.S. TAXING JURISDICTION OR UNDER ANY APPLICABLE INCOME TAX TREATY.

Definition of a Non-U.S. Holder

For purposes of this discussion, a “Non-U.S. Holder” is any beneficial owner of our common stock that is neither a “U.S. person” nor an entity treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes. A U.S. person is any person that, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, is or is treated as any of the following:

- an individual who is a citizen or resident of the United States;
- a corporation created or organized under the laws of the United States, any state thereof, or the District of Columbia;
- an estate, the income of which is subject to U.S. federal income tax regardless of its source; or
- a trust that (i) is subject to the primary supervision of a U.S. court and the control of one or more “United States persons” (within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code), or (ii) has a valid election in effect to be treated as a United States person for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

Distributions

As described in the section titled “Dividend Policy,” we do not anticipate declaring or paying cash dividends to holders of our common stock in the foreseeable future. However, if we do make distributions of cash or property on our common stock, such distributions will constitute dividends for U.S. federal income tax purposes to the extent paid from our current or accumulated earnings and profits, as determined under U.S. federal income tax principles. Amounts not treated as dividends for U.S. federal income tax purposes will constitute a return of capital and first be applied against and reduce a Non-U.S. Holder’s adjusted tax basis in its common stock, but not below zero. Any excess will be treated as capital gain and will be treated as described in the subsection titled “—Sale or Other Taxable Disposition” below.

Subject to the discussion below on effectively connected income, dividends paid to a Non-U.S. Holder will be subject to U.S. federal withholding tax at a rate of 30% of the gross amount of the dividends (or such lower rate specified by an applicable income tax treaty, provided the Non-U.S. Holder furnishes a valid IRS Form W-8BEN or W-8BEN-E (or other applicable documentation) certifying qualification for the lower treaty rate). If a Non-U.S. Holder holds the stock through a financial institution or other intermediary, the Non-U.S. Holder will be required to provide appropriate documentation to the intermediary, which then will be required to provide certification to the applicable withholding agent, either directly or through other intermediaries. A Non-U.S. Holder that does not timely furnish the required documentation, but that qualifies for a reduced treaty rate, may obtain a refund of any excess amounts withheld by timely filing an appropriate claim for refund with the IRS. Non-U.S. Holders should consult their tax advisors regarding their entitlement to benefits under any applicable income tax treaty.

If dividends paid to a Non-U.S. Holder are effectively connected with the Non-U.S. Holder’s conduct of a trade or business within the United States (and, if required by an applicable income tax treaty, the Non-U.S. Holder maintains a permanent establishment or fixed base in the United States to which such dividends are attributable), the Non-U.S. Holder will be exempt from the U.S. federal withholding tax described above. To claim the exemption, the Non-U.S. Holder must furnish to the applicable withholding agent a valid IRS Form W-8ECI, certifying that the dividends are effectively connected with the Non-U.S. Holder’s conduct of a trade or business within the United States.

Any such effectively connected dividends will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on a net income basis at the regular rates. A Non-U.S. Holder that is a corporation also may be subject to a branch profits tax at a rate of

30% (or such lower rate specified by an applicable income tax treaty) on such effectively connected dividends, as adjusted for certain items. Non-U.S. Holders should consult their tax advisors regarding any applicable tax treaties that may provide for different rules.

Sale or Other Taxable Disposition

Subject to the discussion below of backup withholding and withholding under FATCA (defined below), a Non-U.S. Holder will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax on any gain realized upon the sale or other taxable disposition of our common stock unless:

- the gain is effectively connected with the Non-U.S. Holder's conduct of a trade or business within the United States (and, if required by an applicable income tax treaty, the Non-U.S. Holder maintains a permanent establishment or fixed base in the United States to which such gain is attributable);
- the Non-U.S. Holder is a nonresident alien individual present in the United States for 183 days or more during the taxable year of the disposition and certain other requirements are met; or
- our common stock constitutes a U.S. real property interest (USRPI) by reason of our status as a U.S. real property holding corporation (USRPHC) for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

Gain described in the first bullet point above generally will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on a net income basis at the regular rates. A Non-U.S. Holder that is a corporation also may be subject to a branch profits tax at a rate of 30% (or such lower rate specified by an applicable income tax treaty) on such effectively connected gain, as adjusted for certain items.

A Non-U.S. Holder described in the second bullet point above will be subject to U.S. federal income tax at a rate of 30% (or such lower rate specified by an applicable income tax treaty) on gain realized upon the sale or other taxable disposition of our common stock, which may be offset by U.S. source capital losses of the Non-U.S. Holder (even though the individual is not considered a resident of the United States), provided the Non-U.S. Holder has timely filed U.S. federal income tax returns with respect to such losses.

With respect to the third bullet point above, we believe we currently are not, and do not anticipate becoming, a USRPHC. Because the determination of whether we are a USRPHC depends, however, on the fair market value of our USRPIs relative to the fair market value of our non-U.S. real property interests and our other business assets, there can be no assurance we currently are not a USRPHC or will not become one in the future. Even if we are or were to become a USRPHC, gain arising from the sale or other taxable disposition of our common stock by a Non-U.S. Holder will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax if our common stock is "regularly traded," as defined by applicable Treasury Regulations, on an established securities market, and such Non-U.S. Holder owned, actually and constructively, 5% or less of our common stock throughout the shorter of the five-year period ending on the date of the sale or other taxable disposition or the Non-U.S. Holder's holding period.

Non-U.S. Holders should consult their tax advisors regarding potentially applicable income tax treaties that may provide for different rules.

Information Reporting and Backup Withholding

Payments of dividends on our common stock will not be subject to backup withholding, provided the applicable withholding agent does not have actual knowledge or reason to know the holder is a United States person and the holder either certifies its non-U.S. status, such as by furnishing a valid IRS Form W-8BEN, W-8BEN-E, or W-8ECI, or otherwise establishes an exemption. However, information returns are required to be filed with the IRS in connection with any distributions on our common stock paid to the Non-U.S. Holder, regardless of whether such distributions constitute dividends or whether any tax was actually withheld. In

addition, proceeds of the sale or other taxable disposition of our common stock within the United States or conducted through certain U.S.-related brokers generally will be subject to backup withholding or information reporting unless the applicable withholding agent receives the certification described above and does not have actual knowledge or reason to know that such holder is a United States person, or the holder otherwise establishes an exemption. Proceeds of a disposition of our common stock conducted through a non-U.S. office of a non-U.S. broker generally will not be subject to backup withholding or information reporting.

Copies of information returns that are filed with the IRS may also be made available under the provisions of an applicable treaty or agreement to the tax authorities of the country in which the Non-U.S. Holder resides or is established.

Backup withholding is not an additional tax. Any amounts withheld under the backup withholding rules may be allowed as a refund or a credit against a Non-U.S. Holder's U.S. federal income tax liability, provided the required information is timely furnished to the IRS.

Additional Withholding Tax on Payments Made to Foreign Accounts

Withholding taxes may be imposed under Sections 1471 to 1474 of the Code (such Sections are commonly referred to as the Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA)) on certain types of payments made to non-U.S. financial institutions and certain other non-U.S. entities. Specifically, a 30% withholding tax may be imposed on dividends on, or subject to the proposed Treasury Regulations discussed below, gross proceeds from the sale or other disposition of, our common stock paid to a "foreign financial institution" or a "non-financial foreign entity" (each as defined in the Code), unless (i) the foreign financial institution undertakes certain diligence and reporting obligations, (ii) the non-financial foreign entity either certifies it does not have any "substantial United States owners" (as defined in the Code) or furnishes identifying information regarding each substantial United States owner, or (iii) the foreign financial institution or non-financial foreign entity otherwise qualifies for an exemption from these rules. If the payee is a foreign financial institution and is subject to the diligence and reporting requirements in clause (i) above, it must enter into an agreement with the U.S. Department of the Treasury requiring, among other things, that it undertake to identify accounts held by certain "specified United States persons" or "United States owned foreign entities" (each as defined in the Code), annually report certain information about such accounts, and withhold 30% on certain payments to non-compliant foreign financial institutions and certain other account holders. Foreign financial institutions located in jurisdictions that have an intergovernmental agreement with the United States governing FATCA may be subject to different rules.

Under the applicable Treasury Regulations and administrative guidance, withholding under FATCA generally applies to payments of dividends on our common stock. While withholding under FATCA would also have applied to payments of gross proceeds from the sale or other disposition of stock on or after January 1, 2019, proposed Treasury Regulations eliminate FATCA withholding on payments of gross proceeds entirely. Taxpayers (including applicable withholding agents) generally may rely on these proposed Treasury Regulations until final Treasury Regulations are issued. There can be no assurance that final Treasury Regulations would provide an exemption from FATCA withholding for gross proceeds.

Prospective investors should consult their tax advisors regarding the potential application of withholding under FATCA to their investment in our common stock.

UNDERWRITING

Under the terms and subject to the conditions in an underwriting agreement dated the date of this prospectus, the underwriters named below, for whom Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC, Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC and Cantor Fitzgerald & Co. are acting as representatives, have severally agreed to purchase, and we have agreed to sell to them, severally, the number of shares of common stock indicated below:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Number of Shares</u>
Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC	
Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC	
Cantor Fitzgerald & Co.	
LifeSci Capital LLC	
Total	<u>11,800,000</u>

The underwriters and the representatives are collectively referred to as the “underwriters” and the “representatives,” respectively. The underwriters are offering the shares of common stock subject to their acceptance of the shares from us and subject to prior sale. The underwriting agreement provides that the obligations of the several underwriters to pay for and accept delivery of the shares of common stock offered by this prospectus are subject to the approval of certain legal matters by their counsel and to certain other conditions. The underwriters are obligated to take and pay for all of the shares of common stock offered by this prospectus if any such shares are taken. However, the underwriters are not required to take or pay for the shares covered by the underwriters’ over-allotment option described below.

The underwriters initially propose to offer part of the shares of common stock directly to the public at the offering price listed on the cover page of this prospectus and part to certain dealers at a price that represents a concession not in excess of \$ _____ per share under the public offering price. After the initial offering of the shares of common stock, the offering price and other selling terms may from time to time be varied by the representatives. In addition, we have requested that the underwriters make issuer directed allocations in the aggregate of _____ shares of our common stock to certain investors.

We have granted to the underwriters an option, exercisable for 30 days from the date of this prospectus, to purchase up to 1,770,000 additional shares of common stock at the public offering price listed on the cover page of this prospectus, less underwriting discounts and commissions. The underwriters may exercise this option solely for the purpose of covering over-allotments, if any, made in connection with the offering of the shares of common stock offered by this prospectus. To the extent the option is exercised, each underwriter will become obligated, subject to certain conditions, to purchase about the same percentage of the additional shares of common stock as the number listed next to the underwriter’s name in the preceding table bears to the total number of shares of common stock listed next to the names of all underwriters in the preceding table.

The following table shows the per share and total public offering price, underwriting discounts and commissions, and proceeds before expenses to us. These amounts are shown assuming both no exercise and full exercise of the underwriters’ over-allotment option to purchase up to an additional 1,770,000 shares of our common stock.

	<u>Per Share</u>	<u>Total</u>	
		<u>No Exercise</u>	<u>Full Exercise</u>
Public offering price	\$	\$	\$
Underwriting discounts and commissions to be paid by us	\$	\$	\$
Proceeds, before expenses, to us	\$	\$	\$

The estimated offering expenses payable by us, exclusive of the underwriting discounts and commissions, are approximately \$5.5 million. We have also agreed to reimburse the underwriters for expenses relating to clearance of this offering with the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority up to \$40,000.

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The underwriters have informed us that they do not intend sales to discretionary accounts to exceed 5% of the total number of shares of common stock offered by them.

We have applied to list our common stock on the Nasdaq Global Select Market under the trading symbol “CGON,” and this offering is contingent upon obtaining approval of such listing

We and all of our directors and officers and the holders of substantially all of our outstanding securities directly or indirectly convertible into or exchangeable or exercisable for shares of our common stock have entered into lock-up agreements with the underwriters agreeing that, subject to certain exceptions, without the prior written consent of Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC and Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC on behalf of the underwriters, we and they will not, and will not publicly disclose an intention to, during the period ending 180 days after the date of this prospectus (the restricted period):

- offer, pledge, sell, contract to sell, sell any option or contract to purchase, purchase any option or contract to sell, grant any option, right or warrant to purchase, lend or otherwise transfer or dispose of, directly or indirectly, any shares of common stock or any securities convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for shares of common stock;
- enter into any hedging, swap or other arrangement that transfers to another, in whole or in part, any of the economic consequences of ownership of our common stock; or
- submit or file any registration statement with the SEC relating to the offering of any shares of common stock or any securities convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for common stock;

whether any such transaction described above is to be settled by delivery of common stock or such other securities, in cash or otherwise. In addition, we and each such person have agreed that, without the prior written consent of Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC and Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC on behalf of the underwriters, we or such other person will not, during the restricted period, make any demand for, or exercise any right with respect to, the registration of any shares of common stock or any security convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for common stock.

With respect to us, the restrictions described in the immediately preceding paragraph do not apply to:

- (1) the shares to be sold in this offering;
- (2) the issuance by us of shares of common stock upon the exercise of an option or warrant or the conversion of a security outstanding on the date of this prospectus as described in the registration statement and this prospectus;
- (3) grants of compensatory equity-based awards, and/or the issuance of shares of common stock or securities with respect thereto, made pursuant to compensatory equity-based plans as described in this prospectus, provided that we shall cause each recipient of such grant to execute and deliver to the representatives a lock-up agreement if such recipient has not already delivered one;
- (4) the reacquisition or withholding of all or a portion of shares of common stock subject to a stock award to satisfy a tax withholding obligation in connection with the vesting or exercise of such stock award or to satisfy the purchase price or exercise price of such stock award;
- (5) the filing of a registration of Form S-8 to register shares of common stock issuable pursuant to any employee benefit plans, qualified stock option plans or other employee compensation plans, described in this prospectus;
- (6) any shares of common stock issuable pursuant to any non-employee director stock compensation plan or program described in this prospectus;
- (7) shares of common stock or any securities convertible into, or exercisable or exchangeable for, shares of common stock, or the entrance into an agreement to issue shares of common stock or any securities convertible into, or exercisable or exchangeable for, shares of common stock, in connection with any

merger, joint venture, strategic alliances, commercial or other collaborative transaction or the acquisition or licenses of the business, property, technology or other assets of another individual or entity or the assumption of an employee benefit plan in connection with a merger or acquisition; provided that the aggregate number of shares of common stock or any other securities convertible into, or exercisable or exchangeable for, shares of common stock that we may issue or agree to issue pursuant to this clause (7) shall not exceed 10% of our total outstanding share capital immediately following this offering; and provided further, that the recipients of any such shares of common stock and securities issued pursuant to this clause (7) during the restricted period described above shall enter into a lock-up agreement on or prior to such issuance; or

- (8) facilitating the establishment of a trading plan on behalf of any of our shareholders, officers or directors pursuant to Rule 10b5-1 under the Exchange Act for the transfer of shares of our common stock, provided that (a) such plan does not provide for the transfer of common stock during the restricted period and (b) to the extent a public announcement or filing under the Exchange Act, if any, is required of or voluntarily made by us regarding the establishment of such plan, such announcement or filing shall include a statement to the effect that no transfer of common stock may be made under such plan during the restricted period.

With respect to our directors, officers and securityholders, the restrictions described above do not apply to:

- (1) transactions relating to shares of common stock or other securities acquired in this offering or in open market transactions after the completion of this offering, provided that no filing under Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act or other public announcement shall be required or shall be voluntarily made during the restricted period in connection with subsequent sales of common stock or other securities acquired in this offering or in such open market transactions;
- (2) transfers of shares of common stock or any security convertible into common stock (i) as a bona fide gift, (ii) to an immediate family member or to any trust for the direct or indirect benefit of the holder or an immediate family member of the holder, (iii) to any corporation, partnership, limited liability company, investment fund, trust or other entity of which the holder and the immediate family of the holder are the legal and beneficial owner of all of the outstanding equity securities or similar interests, or (iv) by will, other testamentary document or intestate succession to the legal representative, heir, beneficiary or an immediate family member of the holder; provided that in the case of any transfer or distribution pursuant to this clause (2), (A) such transfer shall not involve a disposition for value, (B) each donee, distributee or transferee shall sign and deliver a lock-up agreement and (C) no public disclosure or filing shall be made voluntarily during the restricted period, and to the extent a filing under Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act is required during the restricted period as a result of transfers made pursuant to this clause (2), it shall clearly indicate that the filing relates to the circumstances described in this clause (2), including that the securities remain subject to the terms of the lock-up agreement;
- (3) if the holder is a corporation, partnership, limited liability company, trust or other business entity, (i) transfers or distributions of shares of common stock or any security convertible into shares of common stock to current or former general or limited partners, managers or members, stockholders, other equityholders or direct or indirect affiliates (within the meaning of Rule 405 under the Securities Act) of the holder, or to the estates of any of the foregoing or (ii) transfers or distributions to any investment fund or other entity controlling, controlled by, managing or managed by or under common control with the holder or affiliates of the holder (including, for the avoidance of doubt, where the holder is a partnership, to its general partner or a successor partnership or fund, or any other funds managed by such partnership); *provided* that, in the case of any transfer or distribution pursuant to this clause (3), (A) each transferee, donee or distributee shall sign and deliver a lock-up agreement, (B) no filing under Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act or other public announcement reporting a reduction in beneficial ownership of shares of common stock shall be required or shall be voluntarily made during the restricted period (other than a required filing on Schedule 13D, 13F or 13G) and (C) such transfer shall not involve a disposition for value;

- (4) facilitating the establishment or amendment of a trading plan on behalf of any of our stockholders, officers, or directors pursuant to Rule 10b5-1 under the Exchange Act for the transfer of shares of common stock, provided that (i) such plan does not provide for the transfer of shares of our common stock during the restricted period and (ii) to the extent a public announcement or filing under the Exchange Act, if any, is required of or voluntarily made by or on behalf of the holder or us regarding the establishment or amendment of such plan during the restricted period, such announcement or filing shall include a statement to the effect that no transfer of common stock may be made under such plan during the restricted period;
- (5) the transfer of shares of common stock or any other securities to us to satisfy any tax, including estimated tax, remittance, or other payment obligations of the holder arising in connection with a vesting event of our securities, upon the settlement of restricted stock units or the payment due for the exercise of options (including a transfer to us for the “net” or “cashless” exercise of options) or other rights to purchase our securities, in all such cases pursuant to equity awards granted under our equity incentive plan or other equity award plan described in this prospectus; *provided*, that any remaining shares of common stock or other securities received upon such vesting, settlement or exercise shall be subject to the terms of the lock-up agreement; and *provided* further, that no public disclosure or filing shall be made voluntarily during the restricted period and, to the extent a filing under Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act is required during the restricted period as a result of transfers made pursuant to this clause (5), it shall clearly indicate that the filing relates to the circumstances described in this clause (5), including that the securities remain subject to the terms of the lock-up agreement;
- (6) the transfer of shares of common stock or any other securities that occurs by operation of law pursuant to a qualified domestic order or other court order in connection with a divorce settlement, provided that (i) the transferee shall sign and deliver a lock-up agreement, (ii) no public disclosure or filing shall be voluntarily made during the restricted period and (iii) any filing required under Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act during the restricted period shall clearly indicate in the footnotes thereto that the filing relates to the circumstances described in this clause (6);
- (7) transfers to us (A) from any of our employees upon death, disability or termination of employment, in each case, of such employee or (B) pursuant to any contractual arrangement described in this prospectus or in an exhibit filed with the registration statement related to this offering and disclosed to the Representatives that provides for the repurchase of shares of common stock in connection with the termination of the holder’s employment with or service to us; provided that in the case of clause (B), no public disclosure or filing under Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act shall be required or shall be voluntarily made during the restricted period within the first 75 days after the date of this prospectus, and after such 75th day, to the extent a filing under Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act is required during the restricted period as a result of transfers made pursuant to this clause (7), it shall clearly indicate that the filing relates to the circumstances described in this clause (7) and no public disclosure or filing shall be voluntarily made;
- (8) the conversion of shares of our redeemable convertible preferred stock into shares of common stock as described in this prospectus, provided that, in each case such shares shall continue to be subject to the restrictions on transfer set forth in the lock-up agreement; or
- (9) the transfer of shares of common stock or any other securities pursuant to a bona fide third- party tender offer, merger, consolidation or other similar transaction that is approved by our board of directors, made to all holders of common stock involving a change of control, provided that, in the event that the tender offer, merger, consolidation or other such transaction is not completed, the common stock owned by the holder shall remain subject to the restrictions contained in the lock-up agreement.

Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC and Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC, in their sole discretion, may release the common stock and other securities subject to the lock-up agreements described above in whole or in part at any time.

In order to facilitate the offering of the common stock, the underwriters may engage in transactions that stabilize, maintain or otherwise affect the price of the common stock. Specifically, the underwriters may sell more shares than they are obligated to purchase under the underwriting agreement, creating a short position. A short sale is covered if the short position is no greater than the number of shares available for purchase by the underwriters under the over-allotment option. The underwriters can close out a covered short sale by exercising the over-allotment option or purchasing shares in the open market. In determining the source of shares to close out a covered short sale, the underwriters will consider, among other things, the open market price of shares compared to the price available under the over-allotment option. The underwriters may also sell shares in excess of the over-allotment option, creating a naked short position. The underwriters must close out any naked short position by purchasing shares in the open market. A naked short position is more likely to be created if the underwriters are concerned that there may be downward pressure on the price of the common stock in the open market after pricing that could adversely affect investors who purchase in this offering. As an additional means of facilitating this offering, the underwriters may bid for, and purchase, shares of common stock in the open market to stabilize the price of the common stock. These activities may raise or maintain the market price of the common stock above independent market levels or prevent or retard a decline in the market price of the common stock. The underwriters are not required to engage in these activities and may end any of these activities at any time.

We and the underwriters have agreed to indemnify each other against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act.

A prospectus in electronic format may be made available on websites maintained by one or more underwriters, or selling group members, if any, participating in this offering. The representatives may agree to allocate a number of shares of common stock to underwriters for sale to their online brokerage account holders. Internet distributions will be allocated by the representatives to underwriters that may make Internet distributions on the same basis as other allocations.

Other Relationships

The underwriters and their respective affiliates are full service financial institutions engaged in various activities, which may include securities trading, commercial and investment banking, financial advisory, investment management, investment research, principal investment, hedging, financing and brokerage activities. Certain of the underwriters and their respective affiliates have, from time to time, performed, and may in the future perform, various financial advisory and investment banking services for us, for which they received or will receive customary fees and expenses.

In addition, in the ordinary course of their various business activities, the underwriters and their respective affiliates may make or hold a broad array of investments and actively trade debt and equity securities (or related derivative securities) and financial instruments (including bank loans) for their own account and for the accounts of their customers and may at any time hold long and short positions in such securities and instruments. Such investment and securities activities may involve our securities and instruments. The underwriters and their respective affiliates may also make investment recommendations or publish or express independent research views in respect of such securities or instruments and may at any time hold, or recommend to clients that they acquire, long or short positions in such securities and instruments.

Pricing of the Offering

Prior to this offering, there has been no public market for our common stock. The initial public offering price will be determined by negotiations between us and the representatives. Among the factors to be considered in determining the initial public offering price will be our future prospects and those of our industry in general, our sales, earnings and certain other financial and operating information in recent periods, and the price-earnings ratios, price-sales ratios, market prices of securities, and certain financial and operating information of companies engaged in activities similar to ours.

Selling Restrictions

Canada

The shares may be sold only to purchasers purchasing, or deemed to be purchasing, as principal that are accredited investors, as defined in National Instrument 45-106 *Prospectus Exemptions* or subsection 73.3(1) of the *Securities Act* (Ontario), and are permitted clients, as defined in National Instrument 31-103 *Registration Requirements, Exemptions and Ongoing Registrant Obligations*. Any resale of the shares must be made in accordance with an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the prospectus requirements of applicable securities laws.

Securities legislation in certain provinces or territories of Canada may provide a purchaser with remedies for rescission or damages if this prospectus (including any amendment thereto) contains a misrepresentation, provided that the remedies for rescission or damages are exercised by the purchaser within the time limit prescribed by the securities legislation of the purchaser's province or territory. The purchaser should refer to any applicable provisions of the securities legislation of the purchaser's province or territory for particulars of these rights or consult with a legal advisor.

Pursuant to section 3A.3 of National Instrument 33-105 *Underwriting Conflicts* (NI 33-105), the underwriters are not required to comply with the disclosure requirements of NI 33-105 regarding underwriter conflicts of interest in connection with this offering.

European Economic Area

In relation to each Member State of the European Economic Area (each, a Relevant State), no shares have been offered or will be offered pursuant to the offering to the public in that Relevant State prior to the publication of a prospectus in relation to the shares which has been approved by the competent authority in that Relevant State or, where appropriate, approved in another Relevant State and notified to the competent authority in that Relevant State, all in accordance with the EU Prospectus Regulation (as defined below), except that offers of shares may be made to the public in that Relevant State at any time under the following exemptions under the EU Prospectus Regulation:

- (i) to any legal entity which is a qualified investor as defined under the EU Prospectus Regulation;
- (ii) to fewer than 150 natural or legal persons (other than qualified investors as defined under the EU Prospectus Regulation), subject to obtaining the prior consent of the representatives; or
- (iii) in any other circumstances falling within Article 1(4) of the EU Prospectus Regulation,

provided that no such offer of the shares shall require us or any of the representatives to publish a prospectus pursuant to Article 3 of the EU Prospectus Regulation or supplement a prospectus pursuant to Article 23 of the EU Prospectus Regulation.

For the purposes of this provision, the expression an "offer to the public" in relation to the shares in any Relevant State means the communication in any form and by any means of sufficient information on the terms of the offer and any shares to be offered so as to enable an investor to decide to purchase any shares, and the expression "EU Prospectus Regulation" means Regulation (EU) 2017/1129 (as amended).

United Kingdom

Each underwriter has represented and agreed that:

- (i) it has only communicated or caused to be communicated and will only communicate or cause to be communicated an invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of Section 21 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (the FSMA)) received by it in connection with the issue or sale of the shares in circumstances in which Section 21(1) of the FSMA does not apply to us; and

- (ii) it has complied and will comply with all applicable provisions of the FSMA with respect to anything done by it in relation to the shares in, from or otherwise involving the United Kingdom.

No shares have been offered or will be offered pursuant to the offering to the public in the United Kingdom prior to the publication of a prospectus in relation to the shares which has been approved by the Financial Conduct Authority, except that the shares may be offered to the public in the United Kingdom at any time:

- (i) to any legal entity which is a qualified investor as defined under Article 2 of the UK Prospectus Regulation (as defined below);
- (ii) to fewer than 150 natural or legal persons (other than qualified investors as defined under Article 2 of the UK Prospectus Regulation), subject to obtaining the prior consent of the representatives for any such offer; or
- (iii) in any other circumstances falling within Section 86 of the FSMA,

provided that no such offer of the shares shall require us or any of the representatives to publish a prospectus pursuant to Section 85 of the FSMA or supplement a prospectus pursuant to Article 23 of the UK Prospectus Regulation.

For the purposes of this provision, the expression an “offer to the public” in relation to the shares in the United Kingdom means the communication in any form and by any means of sufficient information on the terms of the offer and any shares to be offered so as to enable an investor to decide to purchase or subscribe for any shares and the expression “UK Prospectus Regulation” means Regulation (EU) 2017/1129 as it forms part of domestic law by virtue of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018.

This prospectus is only for distribution to and directed at: (i) in the United Kingdom, persons having professional experience in matters relating to investments falling within Article 19(5) of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Financial Promotion) Order 2005, as amended (the Order), and high net worth entities falling within Article 49(2)(a) to (d) of the Order; (ii) persons who are outside the United Kingdom; and (iii) any other person to whom it can otherwise be lawfully distributed (all such persons together, Relevant Persons). Any investment or investment activity to which this prospectus relates is available only to and will be engaged in only with Relevant Persons, and any person who is not a Relevant Person should not rely on it.

Hong Kong

The shares of common stock have not been offered or sold and will not be offered or sold in Hong Kong, by means of any document, other than (a) to “professional investors” as defined in the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap. 571) of Hong Kong and any rules made under that Ordinance or (b) in other circumstances which do not result in the document being a “prospectus” as defined in the Companies Ordinance (Cap. 32) of Hong Kong or which do not constitute an offer to the public within the meaning of that Ordinance. No advertisement, invitation or document relating to the shares of common stock has been or may be issued or has been or may be in the possession of any person for the purposes of issue, whether in Hong Kong or elsewhere, which is directed at, or the contents of which are likely to be accessed or read by, the public of Hong Kong (except if permitted to do so under the securities laws of Hong Kong) other than with respect to shares of common stock which are or are intended to be disposed of only to persons outside Hong Kong or only to “professional investors” as defined in the Securities and Futures Ordinance and any rules made under that Ordinance.

Japan

The shares of common stock have not been and will not be registered under the Financial Instruments and Exchange Law of Japan (Law No. 25 of 1948, as amended) and, accordingly, will not be offered or sold, directly or indirectly, in Japan, or for the benefit of any Japanese Person (as defined below) or to others for re-offering or resale, directly or indirectly, in Japan or to any Japanese Person, except in compliance with all applicable laws,

regulations and ministerial guidelines promulgated by relevant Japanese governmental or regulatory authorities in effect at the relevant time. For the purposes of this paragraph, “Japanese Person” means any person resident in Japan, including any corporation or other entity organized under the laws of Japan.

Singapore

This prospectus has not been registered as a prospectus with the Monetary Authority of Singapore. Accordingly, the shares of common stock were not offered or sold or caused to be made the subject of an invitation for subscription or purchase and will not be offered or sold or caused to be made the subject of an invitation for subscription or purchase, and this prospectus or any other document or material in connection with the offer or sale, or invitation for subscription or purchase, of the shares of common stock, has not been circulated or distributed, nor will it be circulated or distributed, whether directly or indirectly, to any person in Singapore other than (i) to an institutional investor (as defined in Section 4A of the Securities and Futures Act (Chapter 289) of Singapore (as modified or amended from time to time, the SFA)) pursuant to Section 274 of the SFA, (ii) to a relevant person (as defined in Section 275(2) of the SFA) pursuant to Section 275(1) of the SFA, or any person pursuant to Section 275(1A) of the SFA, and in accordance with the conditions specified in Section 275 of the SFA, or (iii) otherwise pursuant to, and in accordance with the conditions of, any other applicable provision of the SFA.

Where the shares of common stock are subscribed or purchased under Section 275 of the SFA by a relevant person which is:

- (i) a corporation (which is not an accredited investor (as defined in Section 4A of the SFA)) the sole business of which is to hold investments and the entire share capital of which is owned by one or more individuals, each of whom is an accredited investor; or
- (ii) a trust (where the trustee is not an accredited investor) whose sole purpose is to hold investments and each beneficiary of the trust is an individual who is an accredited investor;

securities or securities-based derivatives contracts (each term as defined in Section 2(1) of the SFA) of that corporation or the beneficiaries’ rights and interest (howsoever described) in that trust shall not be transferred within six months after that corporation or that trust has acquired the securities pursuant to an offer made under Section 275 of the SFA except:

- (a) to an institutional investor or to a relevant person, or to any person arising from an offer referred to in Section 275(1A) or Section 276(4)(i) (B) of the SFA;
- (b) where no consideration is or will be given for the transfer;
- (c) where the transfer is by operation of law; or
- (d) as specified in Section 276(7) of the SFA.

Switzerland

The shares may not be publicly offered in Switzerland and will not be listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange (the SIX) or on any other stock exchange or regulated trading facility in Switzerland. This prospectus has been prepared without regard to the disclosure standards for issuance prospectuses under art. 652a or art. 1156 of the Swiss Code of Obligations or the disclosure standards for listing prospectuses under art. 27 ff. of the SIX Listing Rules or the listing rules of any other stock exchange or regulated trading facility in Switzerland. Neither this prospectus nor any other offering or marketing material relating to the shares or the offering may be publicly distributed or otherwise made publicly available in Switzerland.

Neither this prospectus nor any other offering or marketing material relating to us, the offering, or the shares have been or will be filed with or approved by any Swiss regulatory authority. In particular, this prospectus will not be filed with, and the offering of shares will not be supervised by, the Swiss Financial Market Supervisory Authority FINMA, and the offering of shares has not been and will not be authorized under the Swiss Federal

Act on Collective Investment Schemes (the CISA). The investor protection afforded to acquirers of interests in collective investment schemes under the CISA does not extend to acquirers of the shares.

Dubai International Financial Centre

This prospectus relates to an Exempt Offer in accordance with the Offered Securities Rules of the Dubai Financial Services Authority (the DFSA). This prospectus is intended for distribution only to persons of a type specified in the Offered Securities Rules of the DFSA. It must not be delivered to, or relied on by, any other person. The DFSA has no responsibility for reviewing or verifying any documents in connection with Exempt Offers. The DFSA has not approved this prospectus nor taken steps to verify the information set forth herein and has no responsibility for the prospectus. The shares to which this prospectus relates may be illiquid and/or subject to restrictions on their resale. Prospective purchasers of the shares offered should conduct their own due diligence on the shares. If you do not understand the contents of this prospectus you should consult an authorized financial advisor.

Australia

No placement document, prospectus, product disclosure statement or other disclosure document has been lodged with the Australian Securities and Investments Commission, in relation to the offering. This prospectus does not constitute a prospectus, product disclosure statement or other disclosure document under the Corporations Act 2001 (the Corporations Act), and does not purport to include the information required for a prospectus, product disclosure statement or other disclosure document under the Corporations Act.

Any offer in Australia of the shares may only be made to persons (Exempt Investors) who are “sophisticated investors” (within the meaning of section 708(8) of the Corporations Act), “professional investors” (within the meaning of section 708(11) of the Corporations Act) or otherwise pursuant to one or more exemptions contained in section 708 of the Corporations Act so that it is lawful to offer the shares without disclosure to investors under Chapter 6D of the Corporations Act.

The shares applied for by Exempt Investors in Australia must not be offered for sale in Australia in the period of 12 months after the date of allotment under the offering, except in circumstances where disclosure to investors under Chapter 6D of the Corporations Act would not be required pursuant to an exemption under section 708 of the Corporations Act or otherwise or where the offer is pursuant to a disclosure document which complies with Chapter 6D of the Corporations Act. Any person acquiring the shares must observe such Australian on-sale restrictions.

This prospectus contains general information only and does not take account of the investment objectives, financial situation or particular needs of any particular person. It does not contain any securities recommendations or financial product advice. Before making an investment decision, investors need to consider whether the information in this prospectus is appropriate to their needs, objectives and circumstances, and, if necessary, seek expert advice on those matters.

Israel

In the State of Israel this prospectus shall not be regarded as an offer to the public to purchase shares of common stock under the Israeli Securities Law, 5728 -1968, which requires a prospectus to be published and authorized by the Israel Securities Authority, if it complies with certain provisions of Section 15 of the Israeli Securities Law, 5728 -1968, including if: (i) the offer is made, distributed or directed to not more than 35 investors, subject to certain conditions (the Addressed Investors); or (ii) the offer is made, distributed or directed to certain qualified investors defined in the First Addendum of the Israeli Securities Law, 5728 -1968, subject to certain conditions (the Qualified Investors). The Qualified Investors shall not be taken into account in the count of the Addressed Investors and may be offered to purchase shares of common stock in addition to the 35 Addressed Investors. The company has not and will not take any action that would require it to publish a

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prospectus in accordance with and subject to the Israeli Securities Law, 5728 -1968. We have not and will not distribute this prospectus or make, distribute or direct an offer to subscribe for our common stock to any person within the State of Israel, other than to Qualified Investors and up to 35 Addressed Investors.

Qualified Investors may have to submit written evidence that they meet the definitions set out in of the First Addendum to the Israeli Securities Law, 5728 - 1968. In particular, we may request, as a condition to be offered common stock, that Qualified Investors will each represent, warrant and certify to us and/or to anyone acting on our behalf: (i) that it is an investor falling within one of the categories listed in the First Addendum to the Israeli Securities Law, 5728 - 1968; (ii) which of the categories listed in the First Addendum to the Israeli Securities Law, 5728 - 1968 regarding Qualified Investors is applicable to it; (iii) that it will abide by all provisions set forth in the Israeli Securities Law, 5728 - 1968 and the regulations promulgated thereunder in connection with the offer to be issued common stock; (iv) that the shares of common stock that it will be issued are, subject to exemptions available under the Israeli Securities Law, 5728 - 1968: (a) for its own account; (b) for investment purposes only; and (c) not issued with a view to resale within the State of Israel, other than in accordance with the provisions of the Israeli Securities Law, 5728 - 1968; and (v) that it is willing to provide further evidence of its Qualified Investor status. Addressed Investors may have to submit written evidence in respect of their identity and may have to sign and submit a declaration containing, inter alia, the Addressed Investor's name, address and passport number or Israeli identification number.

LEGAL MATTERS

The validity of the shares of common stock offered hereby will be passed upon for us by Latham & Watkins LLP, San Diego, California. The underwriters are being represented by Cooley LLP, San Diego, California.

EXPERTS

Ernst & Young LLP, independent registered public accounting firm, has audited our financial statements at December 31, 2021 and 2022, and for each of the two years in the period ended December 31, 2022, as set forth in their report. We've included our financial statements in the prospectus and elsewhere in the registration statement in reliance on Ernst & Young LLP's report, given on their authority as experts in accounting and auditing.

WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We have filed with the SEC a registration statement on Form S-1 under the Securities Act with respect to the shares of our common stock offered hereby. This prospectus, which constitutes a part of the registration statement, does not contain all of the information set forth in the registration statement or the exhibits and schedules filed therewith. For further information about us and the common stock offered hereby, we refer you to the registration statement and the exhibits and schedules filed therewith. Statements contained in this prospectus regarding the contents of any contract or any other document that is filed as an exhibit to the registration statement are not necessarily complete, and each such statement is qualified in all respects by reference to the full text of such contract or other document filed as an exhibit to the registration statement.

We are not currently subject to the information and periodic and current reporting requirements of the Exchange Act. Upon the closing of this offering, we will become subject to the information and periodic and current reporting requirements of the Exchange Act and, in accordance therewith, will file periodic reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. The SEC maintains a website at www.sec.gov that contains reports, proxy statements and other information regarding companies that file electronically with it. Our periodic and current reports, proxy statements and other information will be available at www.sec.gov.

We also maintain a website at <https://cgoncology.com>. Upon the closing of this offering, you may access our proxy statements, annual reports on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K, and amendments to those reports filed or furnished pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act with the SEC free of charge at our website as soon as reasonably practicable after such material is electronically filed with, or furnished to, the SEC. The reference to our website address does not constitute incorporation by reference of the information contained on our website, and you should not consider the contents of our website in making an investment decision with respect to our common stock. We have included our website address in this prospectus solely as an inactive textual reference.

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Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Stockholders and the Board of Directors of CG Oncology, Inc.

Opinion on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying balance sheets of CG Oncology, Inc. (the Company) as of December 31, 2021 and 2022, the related statements of operations and comprehensive loss, redeemable convertible preferred stock and stockholders' deficit and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes (collectively referred to as the "financial statements"). In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company at December 31, 2021 and 2022, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

Basis for Opinion

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB) and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. As part of our audits, we are required to obtain an understanding of internal control over financial reporting but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion.

Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

We have served as the Company's auditor since 2021.

Irvine, California

October 27, 2023

except for the retroactive effect of the 1-for-9.535 reverse stock split as described in the seventh and eighth paragraphs of Note 14, as to which the date is January 18, 2024

CG Oncology, Inc.
Balance Sheets
(In thousands, except share and per share amounts)

	December 31,	
	2021	2022
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 53,607	\$ 88,143
Marketable securities	—	55,338
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	4,798	3,424
Other receivables	2	303
Total current assets	58,407	147,208
Property and equipment, net	87	86
Operating lease right-of-use assets	113	420
Other assets	85	33
Total assets	\$ 58,692	\$ 147,747
Liabilities, Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock and Stockholders' Deficit		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 1,003	\$ 985
Long-term debt, current portion	2,943	8,966
Operating lease liabilities, current portion	72	189
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	1,957	5,289
Total current liabilities	5,975	15,429
Long-term debt	12,064	6,532
Success fee liability, non-current	351	352
Operating lease liabilities, net of current portion	50	257
Total liabilities	18,440	22,570
Commitments and contingencies (Note 5)		
Redeemable convertible preferred stock:		
Series A-1 redeemable convertible preferred stock, \$0.0001 par value per share; 5,075,000 shares authorized, issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2021 and 2022; liquidation value of \$3,570 as of December 31, 2021 and 2022.	3,570	3,570
Series B redeemable convertible preferred stock, \$0.0001 par value per share; 11,973,000 shares authorized, issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2021 and 2022; liquidation value of \$10,000 as of December 31, 2021 and 2022.	10,000	10,000
Series C redeemable convertible preferred stock, \$0.0001 par value per share; 73,598,283 shares authorized, issued and outstanding of December 31, 2021 and 2022; liquidation value of \$22,000 as of December 31, 2021 and 2022.	22,000	22,000
Series D redeemable convertible preferred stock, \$0.0001 par value per share; 53,271,754 shares authorized, issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2021 and 2022; liquidation value of \$47,300 as of December 31, 2021 and 2022.	47,300	47,300
Series E redeemable convertible preferred stock, \$0.0001 par value per share; zero and 112,422,700 shares authorized, issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2021 and 2022, respectively; liquidation value of zero and \$120,000 as of December 31, 2021 and 2022, respectively.	—	120,000
Stockholders' deficit:		
Common stock, \$0.0001 par value per share; 263,000,000 and 393,500,000 shares authorized as of December 31, 2021 and 2022, respectively; 3,713,539 and 3,842,694 shares issued and outstanding at December 31, 2021 and 2022, respectively.	—	—
Additional paid-in capital	3,274	3,642
Accumulated deficit	(45,892)	(81,335)
Total stockholders' deficit	(42,618)	(77,693)
Total liabilities, redeemable convertible preferred stock and stockholders' deficit	\$ 58,692	\$ 147,747

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

CG Oncology, Inc.
Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Loss
(In thousands, except share and per share amounts)

	Year Ended December 31,	
	2021	2022
Revenue:		
Research and collaboration revenue	\$ 10,358	\$ 191
Operating expenses:		
Research and development	18,319	29,029
General and administrative	4,645	6,408
Total operating expenses	<u>22,964</u>	<u>35,437</u>
Loss from operations	(12,606)	(35,246)
Other (expense) income, net:		
Interest expense, net	(451)	(1)
Other income (expense), net	218	(196)
Total other (expense) income, net	<u>(233)</u>	<u>(197)</u>
Net loss and comprehensive loss	(12,839)	(35,443)
Deemed dividend on redeemable convertible preferred stock issuances	—	(474)
Cumulative redeemable convertible preferred stock dividends	(5,544)	(7,871)
Net loss attributable to common stockholders	<u>\$ (18,383)</u>	<u>\$ (43,788)</u>
Net loss per share attributable to common stockholders, basic and diluted	<u>\$ (5.04)</u>	<u>\$ (11.71)</u>
Weighted-average shares of common stock outstanding, basic and diluted	<u>3,650,543</u>	<u>3,740,892</u>

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CG Oncology, Inc.
Statements of Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock and Stockholders' Deficit
(In thousands, except share amounts)

	Series A-1 Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock		Series B Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock		Series C Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock		Series D Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock		Series E Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock		Common Stock		Additional Paid-in Capital	Accumulated Deficit	Total Stockholders' Deficit
	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount			
Balance as of December 31, 2020	5,075,000	\$ 3,570	11,973,000	\$ 10,000	73,598,283	\$ 22,000	53,271,754	\$ 47,300	—	\$ —	3,602,186	\$ —	\$ 1,917	\$ (33,053)	\$ (31,136)
Issuance of common stock	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	111,393	—	245	—	245
Stock-based compensation expense	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1,112	—	1,112
Net loss	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(12,839)	(12,839)
Balance as of December 31, 2021	5,075,000	\$ 3,570	11,973,000	\$ 10,000	73,598,283	\$ 22,000	53,271,754	\$ 47,300	—	\$ —	3,713,579	\$ —	\$ 3,274	\$ (45,892)	\$ (42,618)
Issuance of Series E redeemable convertible preferred stock (inclusive of deemed dividend of \$474 to accrete to redemption value)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	112,422,700	120,000	—	—	(474)	—	(474)
Issuance of Common Stock	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	129,115	—	166	—	166
Stock-based compensation expense	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	676	—	676
Net loss	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(35,443)	(35,443)
Balance at December 31, 2022	<u>5,075,000</u>	<u>\$ 3,570</u>	<u>11,973,000</u>	<u>\$ 10,000</u>	<u>73,598,283</u>	<u>\$ 22,000</u>	<u>53,271,754</u>	<u>\$ 47,300</u>	<u>112,422,700</u>	<u>\$ 120,000</u>	<u>3,842,694</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 3,642</u>	<u>\$ (81,335)</u>	<u>\$ (77,693)</u>

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CG Oncology, Inc.
Statements of Cash Flows
(In thousands)

	Year Ended December 31,	
	2021	2022
Operating Activities		
Net loss	\$ (12,839)	\$ (35,443)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	10	15
Amortization of loan fees	11	12
Final payment amortization	119	448
Mark to market on success fee	237	—
Success fee amortization	32	32
Forgiveness of PPP loan	(372)	—
Stock-based compensation expense	1,112	676
Non-cash lease expense	3	17
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Prepaid and current assets	(1,996)	1,073
Other assets	(85)	52
Accounts payable	578	(18)
Accrued expenses	(464)	3,332
Net cash used in operating activities	<u>(13,654)</u>	<u>(29,804)</u>
Investing Activities		
Purchase of securities	—	(55,338)
Purchase of property and equipment	(97)	(14)
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(97)</u>	<u>(55,352)</u>
Financing Activities		
Proceeds from issuance of Series E redeemable convertible preferred stock, net of issuance costs	—	119,526
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt	14,959	—
Proceeds from PPP loan	242	—
Proceeds from exercise of common stock options	245	166
Net cash provided by financing activities	<u>15,446</u>	<u>119,692</u>
Net increase in cash, cash equivalent and restricted cash	1,695	34,536
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash at beginning of year	51,912	53,607
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash at end of period	<u>\$ 53,607</u>	<u>\$ 88,143</u>
Supplemental Disclosure of Cash Flow Information:		
Cash paid for interest	<u>\$ 314</u>	<u>\$ 1,091</u>
Cash paid for taxes	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ —</u>
Supplemental Schedule of Noncash Investing And Financing Activities:		
Forgiveness of PPP loan	<u>\$ 372</u>	<u>\$ —</u>
Operating lease right-of-use asset obtained in exchange for lease liabilities	<u>\$ 140</u>	<u>\$ 474</u>

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1. Description of Business and Basis of Presentation

Description of Business

Cold Genesys Inc. was incorporated in California in September 2010, reincorporated in Delaware in November 2017 and is headquartered in Irvine, California. Cold Genesys, Inc. changed its name to CG Oncology, Inc. (the Company), in March 2020. The Company is a late-stage clinical biopharmaceutical company focused on developing and commercializing its product candidate, cretostimogene, for patients with bladder cancer. The Company is at a clinical stage and does not project to generate significant revenues if and until the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approves its primary asset, cretostimogene.

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying financial statements are prepared in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). Any reference in these notes to applicable guidance is meant to refer to the authoritative GAAP as found in the Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) and Accounting Standards Updates (ASU) of the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB).

Liquidity and Management's Plans

As of December 31, 2022, the Company had approximately \$143.5 million of cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities and working capital of approximately \$131.8 million. The revenue and income potential of the Company's business and market are unproven. The Company has experienced net losses and negative cash flows from operations since its inception and, as of December 31, 2022, the Company had an accumulated deficit of \$81.3 million. During the year ended December 31, 2022, the Company incurred a net loss of \$35.4 million and negative cash flows from operations of \$29.8 million. The Company will continue to incur significant costs and expenses related to its ongoing operations until it successfully develops, obtains regulatory approval and gains market acceptance of cretostimogene and achieves a level of revenues adequate to support the Company's operations.

From inception to December 31, 2022, the Company has funded its operations through the issuance of shares of its redeemable convertible preferred stock and long-term debt. The Company believes that its current capital resources, which consist of cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities, will be sufficient to fund operations through at least the next twelve months from the date the accompanying financial statements are issued based on its expected cash needs. As the Company continues to pursue its business plan, it expects to finance its operations through equity offerings, debt financings, or other capital sources, including current or potential future collaborations, licenses, and other similar arrangements. However, there can be no assurance that any additional financing or strategic arrangements will be available to the Company on acceptable terms, if at all. If events or circumstances occur such that the Company does not obtain additional funding, it may be necessary to significantly reduce its scope of operations to reduce the current rate of spending through actions such as reductions in staff and the need to delay, limit, reduce or terminate its product development or future commercialization efforts or grant rights to develop and market product candidates that it would otherwise prefer to develop and market itself, which could have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, results of operations or financial condition.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates, assumptions, and judgements that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, expenses, and related

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disclosures in the accompanying notes. The Company bases its estimates, assumptions and judgements on historical experience when available and on various factors that it believes to be reasonable under the circumstances as of the date of the accompanying financial statements including the fair value of common stock, stock-based compensation expense, accrued expenses, lease accounting, and the recoverability of the Company's net deferred tax assets and related valuation allowance. In addition, other factors may affect estimates, including the expected business and operational changes, the sensitivity and volatility associated with the assumptions used in developing estimates, and whether historical trends are expected to be representative of future trends. The estimation process often may yield a range of potentially reasonable estimates of the ultimate future outcomes, and management must select an amount that falls within that range of reasonable estimates. Actual results could differ materially from the estimates and assumptions used in the preparation of the accompanying financial statements under different assumptions or conditions.

Cash, Cash Equivalents and Marketable Securities

The Company considers all highly liquid investments and instruments with original maturities of 90 days or less that can be liquidated without prior notice or penalty to be cash equivalents. Cash equivalents consisted primarily of demand deposit accounts, insurance deposits and short-term U.S. Treasury money market funds as of December 31, 2021 and 2022. Marketable securities represent fixed income securities which consists of U.S. Treasury bills with maturities greater than 90 days.

Concentration of Credit Risks

Financial instruments that subject the Company to significant concentrations of credit risk consist primarily of cash and cash equivalents. The Company deposits cash and cash equivalents with high credit quality financial institutions in the United States. These deposits are held in checking and money market accounts and may, from time to time, exceed the federally insured amounts. The Company has not experienced any losses in such accounts. The Company believes it is not exposed to any significant risk in its cash and cash equivalents. The primary objectives of the Company's investment portfolio are the preservation of capital and maintenance of liquidity.

The Company is subject to risks common to companies in the biopharmaceutical industry, including, but not limited to, risks related to the successful development and commercialization of product candidates, fluctuations in operating results and financial risks, the ability to successfully raise additional funds when needed, protection of proprietary rights and patent risks, patent litigation, compliance with government regulations, dependence on key personnel and collaboration partners, and competition from competing products in the marketplace.

Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The Company applies fair value measurements to record fair value adjustments to certain assets and liabilities and to determine fair value disclosures. The Company's financial instruments consist principally of cash, cash equivalents, marketable securities, accounts payable and operating lease liabilities. Fair value is measured as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. A fair value measurement assumes that the transaction to sell the asset or transfer the liability occurs in the principal market for the asset or liability or, in the absence of a principal market, the most advantageous market. A framework is used for measuring fair value utilizing a three-tier hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3).

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The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are as follows:

Level 1—Observable inputs such as unadjusted quoted prices in active markets that are accessible at the measurement date for identical unrestricted assets or liabilities the Company has the ability to access;

Level 2—Inputs (other than quoted prices included within Level 1) that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly, for substantially the full term of the asset or liability. These include quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets and quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active; and

Level 3—Unobservable inputs that are significant to the fair value measurement and reflect the reporting entity's use of significant management judgment and assumptions when there is little or no market data. Level 3 assets and liabilities include those whose fair value measurements are determined using pricing models, discounted cash flow methodologies or similar valuation techniques and significant management judgment or estimation.

Financial instruments are categorized in their entirety based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement requires judgment and considers factors specific to the investment. To the extent that the valuation is based on models or inputs that are less observable or unobservable in the market, the determination of fair value requires more judgment. Accordingly, the degree of judgment exercised by the Company in determining fair value is greatest for instruments categorized in Level 3. The Company reviews the fair value hierarchy classification at each reporting date. Changes in the ability to observe valuation inputs may result in a reclassification of levels for certain assets or liabilities within the fair value hierarchy. The Company did not have any transfers of assets and liabilities between the levels of the fair value measurement hierarchy during the years presented.

Comprehensive Loss

There were no differences between net loss and comprehensive loss presented in the statements of operations for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2022.

Property and Equipment, Net

Property and equipment are stated at cost, less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is calculated over five years, which equals the estimated useful lives of the respective assets.

The initial cost of property and equipment consists of its purchase price and any directly attributable costs of bringing the asset to its working condition and location for its intended use. Expenditures incurred after the assets have been put into operation, such as repairs and maintenance, are charged to expense in the period in which the costs are incurred. Major replacements, improvements, and additions are capitalized in accordance with Company policy.

Impairment of Long-Lived Assets

The Company evaluates its long-lived assets, which consist of property and equipment and operating lease right-of-use assets, for impairment at least annually and whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value of an asset may not be recoverable. Factors that the Company considers in deciding when to perform an impairment review include significant underperformance of the business in relation to expectations, significant negative industry or economic trends, and significant changes or planned changes in the

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use of the assets. If the asset is considered to be impaired, the amount of any impairment is measured as the difference between the carrying value and the fair value of the impaired asset. The Company recognized no impairment losses for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2022.

Debt

On March 27, 2020, President Trump signed into law the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES Act). The Company entered into a loan agreement (the PPP Loan) with Silicon Valley Bank (SVB) under the Paycheck Protection Program (the PPP), which is part of the CARES Act administered by the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA). As part of the application for these funds, the Company, in good faith, certified that the then current economic uncertainty made the loan request necessary to support the ongoing operations of the Company. The certification further required the Company to take into account its current business activity and its ability to access other sources of liquidity sufficient to support ongoing operations in a manner that was not significantly detrimental to the business. The Company recorded the entire amount of the PPP Loan as debt.

The Company applied for forgiveness of the PPP Loan of \$0.4 million in 2021. In 2021, the Company received a confirmation notice from SVB that the forgiveness of the PPP Loan was approved by the SBA.

Leases

Lease right-of-use assets represent the Company's right to use an underlying asset for the lease term, and lease liabilities represent the Company's obligation to make lease payments arising from the lease. Operating lease right-of-use assets and liabilities are recognized when the Company takes possession of the leased property (the Commencement Date) based on the present value of lease payments over the lease term. At the inception of a contract, the Company determines whether the arrangement is or contains a lease based on the facts and circumstances present. The Company had no finance leases as of December 31, 2021 and 2022.

Operating lease right-of-use assets also include any lease payments made at or before lease commencement and exclude any lease incentives received. The lease terms used to calculate the right-of-use asset and related lease liability include options to extend or terminate the lease when it is reasonably certain that the Company will exercise that option. The Company elects the practical expedient to exclude short-term agreements of less than 12 months from capitalization. The Company enters into various operating leases for office space. The leases expire at various dates, have various options to renew, and may contain escalation provisions.

Rent expense on cancelable leases containing known future scheduled rent increases is recorded on a straight-line basis over the term of the respective leases beginning on the Commencement Date. The difference between rent expense and rent paid is accounted for as a component of operating lease right-of-use assets on the accompanying balance sheets. Landlord improvement allowances and other such lease incentives are recorded as property and equipment and as a reduction of the right-of-use leased assets and are amortized on a straight-line basis as a reduction to operating lease costs. The key estimates for the Company's leases include the incremental borrowing rate used to determine the present value of lease payments and the lease term. The Company's leases generally do not include an implicit rate. Management determines the incremental borrowing rate based on the information available at lease commencement.

Operating lease right-of-use assets are initially measured at cost, which comprises the initial amount of the lease liability adjusted for lease payments made at or before the lease commencement date, plus any initial direct costs incurred less any lease incentives received. Operating lease right-of-use assets are subsequently measured

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throughout the lease term at the carrying amount of the lease liability, plus initial direct costs, plus (minus) any prepaid (accrued) lease payments, less the unamortized balance of lease incentives received. Lease expense for lease payments is recognized on a straight-line basis over the lease term. Operating lease liabilities are initially measured at the present value of the unpaid lease payments at the lease commencement date.

Research and Collaboration Revenue

The Company entered into development and license agreements with Lepu Biotech Co., Ltd. (Lepu) and Kissei Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. (Kissei), collectively referred to as the License and Collaboration Agreements. See Note 6 for a description of the License and Collaboration Agreements.

At contract inception, the Company analyzes its collaboration arrangements to assess whether such arrangements involve joint operating activities performed by parties that are both active participants in the activities and exposed to significant risks and rewards dependent on the commercial success of such activities and therefore within the scope of ASC 808, *Collaborative Arrangements* (ASC 808). This assessment is performed throughout the life of the arrangement based on changes in the responsibilities of all parties in the arrangement. For collaboration arrangements within the scope of ASC 808 that contain multiple units of account, the Company first determines which components of the collaboration are deemed to be within the scope of ASC 808 and which components of the collaboration are more reflective of a vendor-customer relationship and therefore within the scope of ASC 606.

For units of account of collaboration arrangements that are accounted for pursuant to ASC 808, an appropriate recognition method is determined and applied consistently, either by analogy to authoritative accounting literature or by applying a reasonable and rational policy election. The Company evaluates the income statement classification for presentation of amounts due from or owed to other participants associated with multiple activities in a collaboration arrangement based on the nature of each separate activity.

For units of account accounted within scope of ASC 606, to determine the appropriate amount of revenue to be recognized for the arrangements, the Company performs the following steps: (i) identification of the promised goods or services in the contract; (ii) determination of whether the promised goods or services are performance obligations including whether they are distinct in the context of the contract; (iii) measurement of the transaction price, including the constraint on variable consideration; (iv) allocation of the transaction price to the performance obligations; and (v) recognition of revenue when (or as) the Company satisfies each performance obligation.

The Company's performance obligations under the terms of these agreements include a license grant, research and development services or customer options, depending on the terms of the License and Collaboration Agreement. Payments to the Company include a non-refundable upfront payment, payments based upon the achievement of development and commercial milestones, and royalties on product sales under the License and Collaboration agreements.

Development milestones

The License and Collaboration Agreements include milestone payments that are triggered by the achievement of development milestones. These milestone payments represent variable consideration that are not initially recognized within the transaction price. Revenue from milestones will be recognized at the time the specified milestone events have been achieved.

Sales milestones and royalty payments

The License and Collaboration Agreements also include certain sales-based milestone and royalty payments upon successful commercialization of a licensed product. In accordance with ASC 606, the Company recognizes

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revenue from sales-based milestone and royalty payments at the later of: (i) the occurrence of the subsequent sale; or (ii) the performance obligation to which some or all of the sales-based milestone or royalty payments has been allocated or has been satisfied. The Company anticipates recognizing these milestones and royalty payments if and when subsequent sales are generated.

Research and Development Expenses

Research and development (R&D) expenses consist of costs incurred for R&D of its product candidate and are recorded to operating expenses when incurred. The Company's R&D expenses consist primarily of costs incurred in performing R&D activities, including personnel-related expenses such as salaries, stock-based compensation and benefits, as well as allocated facilities costs, dues and subscriptions and external costs of outside vendors engaged as contract research organization (CRO), contract manufacturers, consultants and other third parties to conduct and support our clinical trials and preclinical studies. The Company accrues expenses related to development activities performed by third parties based on an evaluation of services received and efforts expended pursuant to the terms of the contractual arrangements. Payments under some of these contracts depend on clinical trial milestones. There may be instances in which payments made to the Company's vendors will exceed the level of services provided and result in a prepayment of expenses. In accruing service fees, the Company estimates the time period over which services will be performed and the level of effort to be expended in each period. If the actual timing of the performance of services or the level of effort varies from the estimate, the Company will adjust the accrual or prepaid expense accordingly. Costs to acquire technologies to be used in R&D that have not reached technological feasibility and have no alternative future use are also expensed as incurred.

Stock-Based Compensation

As of December 31, 2021 and 2022, the Company had two stock-based compensation plans, the 2015 Equity Incentive Plan (the 2015 Plan) and 2022 Incentive Award Plan (the 2022 Plan), which are more fully described in Note 9.

The Company periodically grants equity-based payment awards in the form of stock options to employees, directors and non-employees and records stock-based compensation expenses for awards of stock-based payments based on their estimated fair value at the grant date. The Company recognizes stock-based compensation expense for all equity-based payments, including stock options. Stock-based compensation costs are calculated based on the estimated fair value of the underlying option using the Black-Scholes option pricing model on the date of grant for stock options and are recognized as expense in the accompanying statement of operations and comprehensive loss on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period, which is the vesting period. Determining the appropriate fair value model and related input assumptions requires judgment, including estimating the fair value of the Company's common stock, stock price volatility, and expected term.

Given the absence of a public trading market, the fair value of the Company's common stock is determined by the Company's Board of Directors (the Board) at the time of each option grant by considering a number of objective and subjective factors. These factors include the valuation of a select group of public peer companies within the industry that focus on biotechnology that the Board believes is comparable to the Company's operations; operating and financial performance; the lack of liquidity of the common stock and trends in the broader economy and medical device industry also impact the determination of the fair value of the common stock. In addition, the Company regularly engages a third-party valuation specialist to assist with estimates related to the valuation of the Company's common stock;

- The risk-free interest rate used is based on the published U.S. Department of Treasury interest rates in effect at the time of stock option grant for zero coupon U.S. Treasury notes with maturities approximating each grant's expected term;

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- The dividend yield is zero as the Company has not paid dividends and does not anticipate paying a cash dividend in the foreseeable future;
- The expected term for options granted is calculated using the simplified method and represents the average time that options are expected to be outstanding based on the mid-point between the vesting date and the end of the contractual term of the award;
- Expected volatility is derived from the historical volatilities of a select group of comparable peer companies, for a look-back period commensurate with the expected term of the stock options, as the Company has no trading history of common stock.

The Company recognizes forfeitures related to stock-based compensation awards as they occur.

The Company classifies stock-based compensation expense in the statement of operations in the same manner in which the award recipients' payroll costs are classified or in which the award recipients' service payments are classified.

Income Taxes

The Company accounts for income taxes in accordance with ASC 740, *Income Taxes* (ASC 740). ASC 740 requires the use of the asset and liability method of accounting for income taxes. The current or deferred tax consequences of a transaction are measured by applying the provisions of enacted tax laws to determine the amount of taxes payable currently or in future years. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are determined based on the difference between the financial statements and tax basis of assets and liabilities and expected future tax consequences of events that have been included in the financial statements or tax returns using enacted tax rates in effect for the year in which the differences are expected to reverse. Under this method, a valuation allowance is used to offset deferred tax assets if, based upon the available evidence, it is more likely than not that some or all of the deferred tax assets may not be realized. Management annually evaluates the recoverability of deferred taxes and the adequacy of the valuation allowance. See Note 10 for additional information.

The Company follows the provisions of ASC 740 relative to accounting for uncertain tax positions. These provisions provide guidance on the recognition, de-recognition and measurement of potential tax benefits associated with tax positions. For those benefits to be recognized, a tax position must be more likely than not to be sustained upon examination by taxing authorities. As applicable, the Company recognizes accrued penalties and interest related to unrecognized tax benefits in the provision for income taxes.

Significant judgment is required in determining the Company's provision for income taxes, deferred tax assets and liabilities and the valuation allowance recorded against net deferred tax assets. The Company assesses the likelihood that deferred tax assets will be recovered as deductions from future taxable income. The evaluation of the need for a valuation allowance is performed on a jurisdiction-by-jurisdiction basis and includes a review of all available positive and negative evidence. Factors reviewed include projections of pre-tax book income for the foreseeable future, determination of cumulative pre-tax book income after permanent differences, earnings history and reliability of forecasting.

The Company is required to file federal and state income tax returns in the U.S. The preparation of state tax returns requires the Company to interpret the applicable tax laws and regulations in effect in such jurisdictions, which could affect the amount of tax paid by the Company.

The Company's income tax returns are based on calculations and assumptions that are subject to examination by the Internal Revenue Service and other tax authorities. In addition, the calculation of the

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Company's tax liabilities involves dealing with uncertainties in the application of complex tax regulations. The Company recognizes liabilities for uncertain tax positions based on a two-step process. The first step is to evaluate the tax position for recognition by determining if the weight of available evidence indicates that it is more likely than not that the position will be sustained on audit, including resolution of related appeals or litigation processes, if any. The second step is to measure the tax benefit as the largest amount that is more than 50% likely of being realized upon settlement. While the Company believes it has appropriate support for the positions taken on its tax returns, the Company regularly assesses the potential outcomes of examinations by tax authorities in determining the adequacy of its provision for income taxes. The Company continually assesses the likelihood and amount of potential revisions and adjusts the income tax provision, income taxes payable and deferred taxes in the period in which the facts that give rise to a revision become known.

The Company follows the accounting guidance on accounting for uncertainty in income taxes. The guidance prescribes a recognition threshold and measurement attribute criteria for the financial statement recognition and measurement of tax positions taken or expected to be taken in a tax return.

Classification of Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock

Classification of the Company's Series A-1, B, C, D and E redeemable convertible preferred stock is being treated as mezzanine equity and not as part of stockholders' deficit because the holders of such shares have liquidation rights in the event of a deemed liquidation that, in certain situations, are not solely within the control of the Company and would require the redemption of the then-outstanding redeemable convertible preferred stock. In addition, all of the Company's redeemable convertible preferred stock are redeemable with the passage of time on or after September 30, 2027, by class and if requested by a requisite majority of each class. See Note 7 for additional information.

The carrying values of the Series A-1, B, C, D and E redeemable convertible preferred stock are reported at their respective redemption values.

Net Loss Per Share Attributable to Common Stockholders

The Company determined all of its redeemable convertible preferred stock qualifies as participating securities, as defined in ASC 260. Under ASC 260, securities are considered participating securities if the securities may participate in undistributed earnings with common stock. In accordance with ASC 260, a company is required to use the two-class method when computing net income (loss) per share when a company has securities that qualify as participating securities. The two-class method is an earnings allocation formula that determines net income (loss) per share for each class of common stock and participating security according to dividends declared (or accumulated) and participation rights in undistributed earnings. Under the two-class method, the net loss attributable to common stockholders is not allocated to the convertible preferred stock as the preferred stockholders do not have a contractual obligation to share in the Company's losses.

Segment and Geographic Information

Operating segments are defined as components of an enterprise (business activity from which it earns revenue and incurs expenses) about which discrete financial information is available and regularly reviewed by the chief operating decision maker in deciding how to allocate resources and in assessing performance. The Company's chief operating decision maker is its Chief Executive Officer. The chief operating decision maker reviews consolidated operating results to make decisions about allocating resources and assessing performance for the entire company. The Company views its operations and manages its business as one operating segment. All of the Company's assets are located in the United States.

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Recently Issued Accounting Standards

Accounting standards not listed below were assessed and determined not to be applicable or are expected to have minimal impact on the Company's financial statements.

In December 2019, the FASB issued ASU 2019-12, *Simplifying the Accounting for Income Taxes*. The guidance eliminates certain exceptions related to the approach for intra-period tax allocation, the methodology for calculating income taxes in an interim period and the recognition of deferred tax liabilities for outside basis differences. It also clarifies and simplifies other aspects of the accounting for income taxes. The guidance was effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2021, and interim periods within fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2022. Early adoption was permitted. The adoption of the guidance did not have a material impact on the Company's financial statements.

In August 2020, the FASB issued ASU 2020-06, *Debt — Debt with Conversion and Other Options (Subtopic 470-20) and Derivatives and Hedging — Contracts in Entity's Own Equity (Subtopic 815-40)*. The guidance simplifies the accounting for certain financial instruments, eliminates the current models that require separation of beneficial conversion and cash conversion features from convertible instruments, and simplifies the derivative scope exception guidance pertaining to equity classification of contracts in an entity's own equity. It also introduces additional disclosures for convertible debt and freestanding instruments that are indexed to and settled in an entity's own equity and amends the diluted earnings per share guidance, including the requirement to use the if-converted method for all convertible instruments. The guidance is effective for public business entities that meet the definition of a Securities and Exchange Commission filer, excluding entities eligible to be smaller reporting companies as defined by the Securities and Exchange Commission, for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2021, including interim periods within those fiscal years. For all other entities, the guidance is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2023, including interim periods within those fiscal years. Early adoption is permitted, but no earlier than fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2020, including interim periods within those fiscal years. The Board specified that an entity should adopt the guidance as of the beginning of its annual fiscal year. The Company early-adopted the guidance as of January 1, 2021. The adoption of the guidance did not have a material impact on the Company's financial statements.

3. Fair Value Measurements

The following tables present the financial instruments carried at fair value on a recurring basis as of December 31, 2021 and 2022 in accordance with the ASC 820 hierarchy (in thousands):

	Fair Value Measurements at December 31, 2021			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Assets				
Cash equivalents	\$ 53,047	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 53,047
Liabilities				
Success fee liability	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 351	\$ 351
	Fair Value Measurements at December 31, 2022			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Assets				
Cash equivalents	\$ 87,143	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 87,143
Marketable securities	\$ —	\$ 55,338	\$ —	\$ 55,338
Liabilities				
Success fee liability	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 352	\$ 352

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The Company's cash equivalents represent deposits in a short-term U.S. Treasury money market fund quoted in an active market and were classified as a Level 1 fair value measurement. Marketable securities represent fixed income securities (U.S. treasury bills) with original maturities greater than 90 days and were classified as a level 2 fair value measurement.

The success fee liability associated with the Loan and Security Agreement (the Loan Agreement) the Company entered into in January 2021 was classified as a Level 3 fair value measurement, due to the use of unobservable inputs. See Note 11 for additional information on the Loan Agreement and success fee.

There were no transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy during the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2022.

The following table provides a summary of the changes in the Company's Level 3 fair value measurement (in thousands):

Balance, December 31, 2020	\$	—
Initial measurement of success fee		114
Increase in fair value of success fee recorded in earnings		<u>237</u>
Balance, December 31, 2021	\$	351
Increase in fair value of success fee recorded in earnings		<u>1</u>
Balance, December 31, 2022	\$	<u><u>352</u></u>

4. Accrued Expenses and Other Current Liabilities

The components of accrued expenses and other current liabilities for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2022 were as follows (in thousands):

	December 31,	
	2021	2022
External research and development expenses	\$ 753	\$ 3,136
Personnel-related expenses	1,065	1,833
Professional fees	71	147
Other	68	173
Total accrued expenses and other current liabilities	<u>\$ 1,957</u>	<u>\$ 5,289</u>

5. Commitments and Contingencies

Operating Leases

On January 1, 2019, the Company adopted ASC 842, *Leases*. As of December 31, 2021, the Company had one operating lease, in which the Company was the lessee for office space. As of December 31, 2022, the Company had two operating leases, in which the Company is the lessee for office space. As of December 31, 2022, the lease terms were through 2023 and 2025. The Company had no finance leases as of December 31, 2021 and 2022.

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The components of lease expense for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2022 were as follows (in thousands):

	<u>Year Ended December 31,</u>	
	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>
Lease cost		
Operating lease cost	\$ 70	\$ 173
Short-term lease cost	—	—
Total lease cost	<u>\$ 70</u>	<u>\$ 173</u>
Other information		
Operating lease right-of-use asset obtained in exchange for new operating lease liabilities	\$ 140	\$ 474
Cash paid for amounts included in the measurement of lease liabilities, included in operating cash flows	\$ 67	\$ 155
Weighted-average remaining lease term	1.67	2.45
Weighted-average discount rate	1.63%	1.63%

Maturities of lease liabilities as of December 31, 2022 were as follows (in thousands):

<u>Year Ending December 31,</u>	
2023	\$ 195
2024	149
2025	<u>111</u>
Total lease payment	455
Less: amount representing imputed interest	<u>(9)</u>
Total future minimum lease obligations	<u>\$ 446</u>

Legal Proceedings

A liability for loss contingencies arising from claims, assessments, litigation, fines, penalties, and other sources is recorded in the financial statements if it is determined that it is probable that a loss has been incurred, and that the amount (or range) of the loss can be reasonably estimated. There are no matters currently outstanding for which any liabilities have been accrued or require disclosure.

Indemnification

In the ordinary course of business, the Company may provide indemnification of varying scope and terms to vendors, lessors, business partners, and other parties with respect to certain matters including, but not limited to, losses arising out of breach of such agreements or from intellectual property infringement claims made by third parties. In addition, the Company has entered into indemnification agreements with officers and members of the Board that will require the Company, among other things, to indemnify them against certain liabilities that may arise by reason of their status or service as directors or officers. As of December 31, 2021 and 2022, the Company had not experienced any losses related to these indemnification obligations, and no claims with respect thereto were outstanding.

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6. License and Collaboration Agreements

Lepu Biotech Co., Ltd.

In March 2019, the Company entered into a development and license agreement with Lepu for cretostimogene (the Lepu License Agreement). Under the terms of the Lepu License Agreement, the Company granted to Lepu an exclusive license to develop, manufacture and commercialize cretostimogene and/or DDM to treat and/or prevent cancer in mainland China, including Hong Kong and Macau (the Lepu Territory). The Company is obligated to use commercially reasonable efforts to supply Lepu with its requirements of cretostimogene and DDM for its development activities at Lepu's cost and to periodically provide Lepu with manufacturing documentation and, at Lepu's cost, reasonably requested assistance related to the manufacture of clinical and, if applicable, commercial supplies of cretostimogene and DDM. The Company determined that control of the license was transferred to Lepu on March 2019 upon execution of the contract.

Lepu paid to the Company a one-time upfront payment of \$4.5 million, and Lepu is obligated to make regulatory milestone payments of up to \$2.5 million and commercial milestone payments of up to \$57.5 million. The Company is entitled to receive a high single-digit royalty on net sales of cretostimogene and/or DDM sold in the Lepu Territory, subject to a specified reduction. Lepu's royalty obligations will expire upon termination of the Lepu License Agreement.

The Company assessed the Lepu License Agreement in accordance with ASC 606 and determined that the performance obligation is comprised solely of the license grant to Lepu. The Company determined the transaction price was \$4.5 million and recorded the entire amount upon transfer of control of the functional intellectual property license rights in 2019. The Company evaluated the provision of manufacturing activities related to clinical and commercial supply of the licensed products and concluded that the manufacturing activities were not performance obligations as the terms do not provide a material right to Lepu.

Future milestone payments are fully contingent as the risk of significant revenue reversal will only be resolved depending on future regulatory approval and sales level outcomes. The Company will re-evaluate the likelihood of achieving future milestones at the end of each reporting period.

The sales-based royalty fee is considered variable consideration and will be recognized as revenue as such sales occur. The sales-based royalty fee qualifies for the royalty constraint exception and does not require an estimate of the future transaction price.

For the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2022, no development or commercial milestones were met and, as a result, no revenue was recorded related to the Lepu License Agreement.

Kissei Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.

In March 2020, and amended as of September 2022, the Company entered into a license and collaboration agreement with Kissei (the Kissei License Agreement). Under the terms of the Kissei License Agreement, the Company granted to Kissei an exclusive license to certain intellectual property rights in Bangladesh, Bhutan, Brunei, Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Japan, South Korea, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan, Palau, Philippines, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Taiwan, Thailand and Vietnam (the Kissei Territory), for Kissei to develop and commercialize, but not manufacture, cretostimogene in combination with DDM (the Licensed Product) for all uses in oncology indications for which marketing approval is being sought. Under the Kissei Agreement, the Company and Kissei agree to use commercially reasonable efforts to collaborate on clinical development activities in the Kissei Territory and each party is responsible for conducting the applicable activities pursuant to

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an agreed development plan. Kissei is responsible for the costs of developing the Licensed Product in the Kissei Territory, and the Company is responsible for the costs of developing the Licensed Product outside the Kissei Territory (Global Development), provided that Kissei is responsible for a low-double digit percentage and the Company is responsible for a high-double digit percentage of the cost of development activities that cannot be attributed solely to the Kissei Territory or outside the Kissei Territory. The Company is obligated to supply and Kissei will exclusively purchase its clinical and commercial requirements of Licensed Product from the Company. Kissei is responsible for commercializing the Licensed Product in the Kissei Territory and is obligated to use commercially reasonable efforts to seek regulatory approval for and commercialize at least one Licensed Product in a specified indication. Until a certain period of time has passed after the first regulatory approval of the Licensed Product, the Company is prohibited from commercializing certain competing products worldwide and Kissei is prohibited from researching, developing or commercializing certain competing products worldwide.

Under the terms of the Kissei License Agreement, the Company received a \$10.0 million one-time upfront payment and, in connection with entry into this agreement, Kissei purchased \$30.0 million worth of Series D redeemable convertible preferred stock as part of the Company's Series D financing. Kissei is obligated to make development and regulatory milestone payments to the Company of up to \$33.0 million and commercial milestone payments of up to \$67.0 million. The Company has agreed to pay Kissei a royalty on net sales of Licensed Product outside the Kissei Territory and outside the Lepu Territory (as described above), including on any U.S. sales, in a low-single digit percentage, subject to certain capped reductions. We are entitled to receive a royalty on net sales of Licensed Product in the Kissei Territory in the mid-twenties percentage, subject to certain capped reductions. Also, Kissei has the right to offset the royalty payments due to the Company with respect to the cost for the supply of Licensed Product sold by the Company to Kissei, and to indefinitely carryforward credits for any excess supply amounts paid over royalty amounts owed in a given quarter. The Company is entitled to receive a specified minimum percentage of royalties on net sales of a given Licensed Product in a given country and a given quarter, unless, if for such Licensed Product in such country and such quarter, Kissei has taken the maximum allowable reductions and the ratio of the cost for the supply of Licensed Product to the sales price for Licensed Product exceeds a low-double digit percentage threshold, then the Company shall receive no royalties on the net sales of such Licensed Product in such country and such quarter. Kissei's and the Company's royalty obligations will expire on a Licensed Product-by-Licensed Product and country-by-country basis on the later of twelve years from the date of first commercial sale of such Licensed Product in such country or when there is no longer a valid patent claim covering such Licensed Product in such country.

The Kissei Agreement will expire on a Licensed Product-by-Licensed Product and country-by-country basis when there is no remaining royalty or milestone payment obligation due to a party with respect to such Licensed Product in such country. Following expiration of the Kissei Agreement in its entirety, the licenses the Company granted to Kissei will become non-exclusive, fully-paid royalty-free and irrevocable and Kissei will have the right to negotiate directly with our product suppliers for the direct supply of Licensed Product to Kissei. The Kissei Agreement may be terminated either by Kissei or by the Company in the event of an uncured material breach by the other party or in the event the other party becomes subject to specified bankruptcy, insolvency or similar circumstances. In addition, the Company have the right to terminate the Kissei Agreement in the event that Kissei commences a legal action challenging the validity, enforceability or scope of any licensed patents under the Kissei Agreement. Kissei may terminate the Kissei Agreement at will upon specified written notice. Additionally, Kissei may terminate the Kissei Agreement for our willful and malicious misconduct that results in substantial and irreparable harm to the commercial value of the Licensed Products in the Kissei Territory and upon any such termination, the licenses the Company granted to Kissei will become royalty-free and fully paid-up and Kissei will have the right to negotiate directly with our contract manufacturing organizations for the supply of Licensed Product. Upon termination of the Kissei Agreement for any other reason all rights and licenses granted to Kissei to develop and commercialize the product under the Kissei Agreement will terminate,

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subject to certain rights to sell existing inventory of Licensed Products by Kissei and its sublicensees. Upon termination of the Kissei Agreement for Kissei's breach, any sublicenses granted by Kissei may, upon the Company's discretion, continue.

The Company evaluated the Kissei Agreement to determine whether it is a collaborative arrangement in the scope of ASC 808, *Collaborative Arrangements* (ASC 808). The Company concluded the Kissei Agreement is a collaborative agreement under ASC 808, as the Kissei Agreement involves a joint operating activity, each party is an active participant in the activities related to the Kissei Agreement, and both parties are exposed to significant risks and rewards dependent upon the commercial success of the activities related to the Kissei Agreement.

The Company determined the Kissei Agreement contained two material components: (i) an exclusive license granted to Kissei to certain intellectual property rights in the Kissei Territory, for Kissei to develop and commercialize, but not manufacture, the Licensed Product for all uses in oncology; and (ii) the parties' participation in the Global Development of the Licensed Product. The Company used the criteria specified in ASC 606 to determine which of the components of the Kissei Agreement are performance obligations with a customer and concluded Kissei is the Company's customer for the license and related activities in the Kissei Territory under ASC 606. The Global Development activities under the agreement does not present a transaction with a customer and the payments received by the Company for Global Development activities, including manufacturing, will be accounted for as a reduction of related expenses.

The Company evaluated the Kissei Territory specific license and related activities under ASC 606, as these transactions are considered transactions with a customer, and identified two material promises at the outset of the Kissei License Agreement, which consists of the following: (1) the exclusive license and (2) the manufacturing activities related to development and commercial supply of the Licensed Product in the Kissei Territory. The Company further evaluated the material promise associated with manufacturing activities related to development and commercial supply of the Licensed Products in the Kissei Territory. Given Kissei is not obligated to purchase any minimum amount or quantities of the development and commercial supply from the Company, the Company concluded, for the purpose of ASC 606, the provision of manufacturing activities related to development and commercial supply of the Licensed Product in the Kissei Territory was an option but not a performance obligation of the Company at the inception of the Kissei Agreement and will be accounted for if and when exercised. The Company also concluded there is no separate material right in connection with the development and commercial supply of the licensed product, as the expected pricing was not issued at a significant and incremental discount. Therefore, the manufacturing activities were excluded as performance obligation at the outset of the arrangement.

The Company evaluated the license under ASC 606 and concluded the license is a functional intellectual property license. The Company determined Kissei benefited from the license at the time of grant and, therefore, the related performance obligation was satisfied at a point in time. Additionally, the Company is entitled to development and regulatory milestones as well as sales milestones and royalties from Kissei upon future sales of the Licensed Product in the Kissei Territory. Future milestone payments are fully contingent as the risk of significant reversal will only be resolved depending on future development milestones, regulatory approval and sales level outcomes. The Company re-evaluates the likelihood of achieving future milestones at the end of each reporting period. The royalties are considered variable consideration and will be recognized as revenue as such sales occur. The sales-based royalties qualify for the royalty constrain exception and do not require an estimate of the future transaction price.

As the sale of \$30.0 million of the Company's Series D redeemable convertible preferred stock and the Kissei License Agreement were entered into concurrently and negotiated as a package with a single commercial

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objective, the Company accounted for the two agreements as a single arrangement for accounting purposes. The total upfront payments of \$40.0 million were comprised of \$30.0 million attributed to the Series D redeemable convertible preferred stock sold to Kissei and \$10.0 million attributed to the functional intellectual property license granted to Kissei. The Company determined that the sale of the Series D redeemable convertible preferred stock of \$30.0 million was at fair value and did not include a premium or discount. As a result, \$10.0 million of the total upfront payments was allocated to the transaction price of the exclusive license.

For the purposes of ASC 606, the transaction price of the Kissei Agreement as of the outset of the arrangement was determined to be \$10.0 million, which consisted of the one-time upfront payment. The other potential milestone payments the Company is eligible to receive were excluded from the transaction price, as all milestone amounts were fully constrained based on the probability of achievement. The Company satisfied the performance obligation upon delivery of the license and recognized the upfront payment of \$10.0 million as revenue during the year ended December 31, 2020.

During the year ended December 31, 2021, the Company recognized milestone revenue of \$10 million for cash consideration received associated with an achieved development milestone and \$0.4 million in development income related to the Kissei License Agreement.

During the year ended December 31, 2022, the Company recorded \$0.2 million in development income related to the Kissei License Agreement.

7. Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock

Redeemable convertible preferred stock consisted of the following as of December 31, 2022 (in thousands, except share amounts):

<u>December 31, 2022</u>	<u>Authorized Shares</u>	<u>Shares Issued and Outstanding</u>	<u>Liquidation & Carrying Value</u>	<u>Common Stock Issuable Upon Conversion</u>
Series A-1	5,075,000	5,075,000	\$ 3,570	1,252,438
Series B	11,973,000	11,973,000	\$ 10,000	3,508,584
Series C	73,598,283	73,598,283	\$ 22,000	7,718,740
Series D	53,271,754	53,271,754	\$ 47,300	5,586,959
Series E	112,422,700	112,422,700	\$ 120,000	11,790,523

Series E Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock

In 2022, the Company entered into a securities purchase agreement (the Series E Agreement) with certain investors to sell shares of Series E redeemable convertible preferred stock (Series E) at \$1.0674 per share. From September through October 2022, the Company issued 112,422,700 shares of Series E redeemable convertible preferred stock to existing and new investors at a price of \$1.0674 per share for gross cash proceeds of \$120.0 million, less issuance costs of \$0.5 million, resulting in net proceeds of \$119.5 million.

Rights, Preferences and Privileges

Voting Rights

Each preferred stockholder is entitled to cast the number of votes equal to the number of whole shares of common stock into which the shares of preferred stock held by such holder are convertible at the time of such vote. All preferred stockholders are entitled to vote on all matters upon which holders of common stock have the right to vote, other than matters that must by law be voted by class or series vote.

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Conversion Rights

Each share of redeemable convertible preferred stock is convertible at the option of the holder at any time into a share of common stock. Each share of convertible preferred stock is convertible into that number of common shares as is determined by dividing the applicable Initial Purchase Price (the Initial Purchase Price) of such share by the applicable conversion price. The conversion rate is subject to adjustment upon the occurrence of certain events, including diluting issues of shares, stock splits, stock combinations, certain dividends and distributions, a merger and a reorganization. The conversion rates for each series of redeemable convertible preferred stock as of December 31, 2022 were as follows: Series A-1 1:4.05, Series B 1:3.412, and Series C, D and E 1:9.535.

All shares of the redeemable convertible preferred stock shall automatically be converted into shares of common stock, based on the then-effective applicable conversion rate (i) upon the closing of the sale of shares of common stock to the public at a price of at least \$1.33 per share (subject to the appropriate adjustment in the event of any stock dividend, stock split, combination or other similar recapitalization with respect to the common stock), in a firm commitment underwritten public offering pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, covering the offer and sale of common stock for the account of the Company (1) which results in at least \$75.0 million of gross proceeds to the Company and (2) in which the pre-money valuation of the Company immediately prior to such public offering is at least \$400.0 million or (ii) upon the written consent of the holders of at least 75% of the then-outstanding shares of redeemable convertible preferred stock voting together as a single class and not as separate series, and on an as-converted to common stock basis.

Dividend Rights

Holders of Series E Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive, prior and in preference to any other class or series of capital stock, cumulative cash dividends, when, as and if declared by the Board, out of any funds that are legally available, at the rate of 8% of the Series E Initial Purchase Price of \$1.0674 per annum on each outstanding share of Series E Preferred Stock, subject to adjustment for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like with respect to such shares.

Following the issuance and distribution of dividends to holders of Series E Preferred Stock, holders of Series D Preferred Stock and Series C Preferred Stock (together, the Senior Preferred Stock) shall be entitled to receive, on a pari passu basis and prior and in preference to the holders of Series B Preferred Stock, Series A-1 Preferred Stock and common stock, cumulative cash dividends, when, as and if declared by the Board, out of any funds that are legally available, at the rate of (i) with respect to the Series D Preferred Stock, 8% of the Series D Initial Purchase Price per annum on each outstanding share of Series D Preferred Stock, subject to adjustment for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like with respect to such shares and (ii) with respect to the Series C Preferred Stock, 8% of the Series C Initial Purchase Price per annum on each outstanding share of Series C Preferred Stock, subject to adjustment for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like with respect to such shares.

Following the issuance and distribution of dividends to holders of Series E Preferred Stock and Senior Preferred Stock, holders of Series B Preferred Stock and Series A-1 Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive, on a pari passu basis and prior and in preference to the holders of common stock, noncumulative cash dividends, when, as and if declared by the Board, out of any funds that are legally available, at the rate of (i) with respect to the Series B Preferred Stock, 8% of the Series B Initial Purchase Price per annum on each outstanding share of Series B Preferred Stock, subject to adjustment for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like with respect to such shares and (ii) with respect to the Series A-1 Preferred Stock, 8% of the Series A-1 Initial Purchase Price per annum on each outstanding share of Series A-1 Preferred Stock, subject to adjustment for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like with respect to such shares.

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No distributions shall be made with respect to the common stock unless dividends on the redeemable convertible preferred stock have been declared and all declared dividends on the redeemable convertible preferred stock have been paid or set aside for payment to the redeemable convertible preferred stockholders. The right to receive dividends on shares of Series B Preferred Stock and Series A-1 Preferred Stock shall not be cumulative, and no right to dividends shall accrue to holders of Series B Preferred Stock and Series A-1 Preferred Stock by reason of the fact that dividends on said shares are not declared or paid. Payment of any dividends to the holders of Series B Preferred Stock and Series A-1 Preferred Stock shall be on a pro rata, pari passu basis in proportion to the dividend rate for the Series B Preferred Stock and Series A-1 Preferred Stock, as applicable.

After payment of the full amount of any dividends to holders of redeemable convertible preferred stock, any additional dividends shall be distributed among all holders of common stock and all holders of redeemable convertible preferred stock in proportion to the number of shares of common stock which would be held by each such holder if all such shares of redeemable convertible preferred stock were converted to common stock at the then-effective applicable conversion rate. The Company has not declared or paid any dividends for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2022.

Liquidation Preference

In the event of any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding-up of the Company, or a deemed liquidation event of the Company (which includes certain mergers, acquisitions, and asset transfers), before any distribution or payment shall be made to the holders of common stock:

- (i) The holders of Series E Preferred Stock shall be entitled to be paid out of the assets of the Company, prior and in preference to any distribution of the proceeds of such liquidation, dissolution or winding up to the holders of Senior Preferred Stock, Series B Preferred Stock, Series A-1 Preferred Stock or common stock, an amount per share of Series E Preferred Stock equal to the Series E Initial Purchase Price, plus all declared but unpaid dividends on the Series E Preferred Stock, for each share of Series E Preferred Stock then held.
- (ii) Following the distribution pursuant to holders of Series E Preferred Stock, the holders of each series of Senior Preferred Stock shall be entitled to be paid out of the assets of the Company, on a pari passu basis and prior and in preference to any distribution of the proceeds of such liquidation, dissolution or winding up to the holders of Series B Preferred Stock, Series A-1 Preferred Stock or common stock, (i) with respect to the Series D Preferred Stock, an amount per share of Series D Preferred Stock equal to the Series D Initial Purchase Price, plus all declared but unpaid dividends on the Series D Preferred Stock, for each share of Series D Preferred Stock then held and (ii) with respect to the Series C Preferred Stock, an amount per share of Series C Preferred Stock equal to the Series C Initial Purchase Price, plus all declared but unpaid dividends on the Series C Preferred Stock, for each share of Series C Preferred Stock then held.
- (iii) Following the distributions pursuant to holders of Series E Preferred Stock and Senior Preferred Stock, the holders of Series B Preferred Stock and Series A-1 Preferred Stock shall be entitled to be paid out of the assets of this Corporation, on a pari passu basis (i) with respect to the Series B Preferred Stock, an amount per share of Series B Preferred Stock equal to the Series B Initial Purchase Price, plus all declared but unpaid dividends on the Series B Preferred Stock, for each share of Series B Preferred Stock then held; and (ii) with respect to the Series A-1 Preferred Stock, an amount per share of Series A-1 Preferred Stock equal to the Series A-1 Initial Purchase Price, plus all declared but unpaid dividends on the Series A-1 Preferred Stock, for each share of Series A-1 Preferred Stock then held by them.
- (iv) If, upon any such liquidation, dissolution or winding up, the assets of the Company shall be insufficient to make payment in full of the liquidation preferences described in (i), (ii), and (iii) above,

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then such assets shall be distributed in the following order of priority: (a) to the holders of Series E Preferred Stock in preference and ratably in proportion to the full amounts to which they would otherwise be respectively entitled pursuant to in (i) above, (b) any remaining assets then to the holders of each series of Senior Preferred Stock in preference and ratably in proportion to the full amounts to which they would otherwise be respectively entitled pursuant to (ii) above, and (c) any remaining assets then to the holders of Series B Preferred Stock and Series A-1 Preferred Stock ratably in proportion to the full amounts to which they would otherwise be respectively entitled pursuant to (iii) above.

After the payment of the full liquidation preferences as set out above, the remaining assets of the Company legally available for distribution, if any, shall be distributed ratably to the holders of the common stock, Series E Preferred Stock on an as-converted to common stock basis, Senior Preferred Stock on an as-converted to common stock basis and Series A-1 Preferred Stock on an as-converted to common stock basis; provided, however, that if the aggregate amount which a holder of a share of Series A-1 Preferred Stock is entitled to receive exceeds the sum of three times the Series A-1 Initial Purchase Price plus declared but unpaid dividends thereon, such holder of Series A-1 Preferred Stock shall cease participating in such distribution as to such Series A-1 Preferred Stock, and the balance shall be distributed ratably to the holders of common stock, Series E Preferred Stock on an as-converted to common stock basis and Senior Preferred Stock on an as-converted to common stock basis.

Redemption Rights

At any time, following September 30, 2027, all shares of convertible preferred shares are redeemable as follows:

- (i) If requested in writing by holders of a majority of the then-outstanding shares of Series A-1 redeemable convertible preferred stock, all of the outstanding Series A-1 redeemable convertible preferred stock shall be redeemed by paying in cash in exchange for the shares of Series A-1 redeemable convertible preferred stock to be redeemed an amount equal to the Series A-1 Initial Purchase Price per share of Series A-1 redeemable convertible preferred stock (as adjusted for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like with respect to such shares), plus any and all declared but unpaid dividends with respect to such shares of Series A-1 redeemable convertible preferred stock.
- (ii) If requested in writing by holders of a majority of the then-outstanding shares of Series B redeemable convertible preferred stock, all of the outstanding Series B Preferred Stock shall be redeemed by paying in cash in exchange for the shares of Series B redeemable convertible preferred stock to be redeemed an amount equal to the Series B Initial Purchase Price per share of Series B redeemable convertible preferred stock (as adjusted for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like with respect to such shares), plus any and all declared but unpaid dividends with respect to such shares of Series B redeemable convertible preferred stock.
- (iii) If requested in writing by holders of 66.67% of the then-outstanding shares of Series C redeemable convertible preferred stock and to the extent affirmatively elected by a holder not to redeem, shares of the outstanding Series C redeemable convertible preferred stock shall be redeemed by paying in cash in exchange for the shares of Series C redeemable convertible preferred stock to be redeemed an amount equal to the Series C Initial Purchase Price per share of Series C redeemable convertible preferred stock (as adjusted for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like with respect to such shares), plus any and all declared but unpaid dividends with respect to such shares of Series C redeemable convertible preferred stock.

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- (iv) If requested in writing by holders of a majority of the then-outstanding shares of Series D redeemable convertible preferred stock and to the extent affirmatively elected by a holder not to redeem, shares of the outstanding Series D redeemable convertible preferred stock shall be redeemed by paying in cash in exchange for the shares of Series D redeemable convertible preferred stock to be redeemed an amount equal to the Series D Initial Purchase Price per share of Series D redeemable convertible preferred stock (as adjusted for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like with respect to such shares), plus any and all declared but unpaid dividends with respect to such shares of Series D redeemable convertible preferred stock.
- (v) If requested in writing by holders of a majority of the then-outstanding shares of Series E redeemable convertible preferred stock and to the extent affirmatively elected by a holder not to redeem, all of the outstanding Series E Preferred Stock shall be redeemed by paying in cash in exchange for the shares of Series E Preferred Stock to be redeemed (other than those holders of Series E Preferred Stock that affirmatively choose to not participate in such redemption) an amount equal to: the Series E Initial Purchase Price per share of Series E Preferred Stock (as adjusted for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like with respect to such shares), plus any and all declared but unpaid dividends with respect to such shares of Series E Preferred Stock.

8. Common Stock

The Company is authorized to issue up to 263,000,000 and 393,500,000 shares of common stock as of December 31, 2021 and 2022, respectively, of which 3,713,579 and 3,842,694 shares were issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2021 and 2022, respectively.

Voting, dividend and liquidation rights of the holders of the common stock are subject to and qualified by the rights, preferences and privileges of the holders of the redeemable convertible preferred stock.

Voting

Each holder of outstanding shares of common stock shall be entitled to one vote in respect of each share. The holders of outstanding shares of common stock, voting together as a single class, shall be entitled to elect one director. The number of authorized shares of common stock may be increased or decreased by the affirmative vote of a majority of the outstanding shares of common stock and preferred stock voting together as a single class.

Dividends

Subject to the payment in full of all preferential dividends to which the holders of the preferred stock are entitled, the holders of common stock shall be entitled to receive dividends out of funds legally available therefor at such times and in such amounts as the Board may determine in its sole discretion, with holders of preferred stock and common stock sharing *pari passu* in such dividends.

Liquidation Rights

After payment in full of all preferential amounts to which the holders of preferred stock are entitled upon any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding-up of the Company or deemed liquidation event of the Company, all of the remaining assets of the Company available for distribution to the stockholders shall be distributed among the holders of the preferred stock and common stock, *pro rata* based on the number of shares held by each such holder on an as converted to common stock basis.

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Reserved Shares

As of December 31, 2022, the Company reserved the following shares of common stock for issuance upon conversion of the outstanding redeemable convertible preferred stock and exercise of stock options:

	<u>December 31, 2022</u>
Conversion of redeemable convertible preferred stock	29,857,244
Stock options available for issuance	1,835,900
Stock options outstanding	3,765,090
Total	<u>35,458,234</u>

9. Stock-Based Compensation

In 2015, the Company established the 2015 Plan, under which the Company was able to grant options and restricted stock to its employees and certain non-employees. As of December 31, 2021 and 2022, the maximum number of shares of common stock reserved for issuance under the 2015 Plan were 3,440,837 and 3,156,148 shares, respectively. Following the establishment of the 2022 Plan, the maximum number of shares reserved for issuance under the 2015 Plan will be equal to the number of shares subject to issued and outstanding stock options and shares of restricted stock granted under the 2015 Plan. As of December 31, 2021, there were 3,038,416 shares of common stock subject to outstanding awards and 1,424,636 shares of common stock available for future issuance under the 2015 Plan. As of December 31, 2022, there were 3,156,076 shares of common stock subject to outstanding awards and 0 shares of common stock available for future issuance under the 2015 Plan. In 2022, the Company established the 2022 Plan, under which the Company may grant options, restricted stock units, restricted stock, stock appreciation rights, dividend equivalents and other stock and cash-based awards to its employees and certain non-employees. As of December 31, 2022, the maximum number of shares of common stock reserved for issuance under the 2022 Plan was 2,464,807 shares. As of December 31, 2022, there were 609,014 shares of common stock subject to outstanding awards and 1,835,900 shares of common stock available for future issuance under the 2022 Plan.

The Company may grant options to purchase authorized but unissued shares of the Company's common stock. Options granted under the 2015 Plan and 2022 Plan include incentive stock options that can be granted only to the Company's employees and non-statutory stock options that can be granted to the Company's employees, consultants, advisors and directors.

The exercise prices, vesting and other restrictions of the awards to be granted under the 2015 Plan and 2022 Plan are determined by the Board, except that no stock option may be issued with an exercise price less than the fair market value of the common stock at the date of the grant or have a term in excess of ten years. Options granted under the 2015 Plan and 2022 Plan are exercisable in whole or in part at any time subsequent to vesting.

Stock Options

The following table provides the assumptions used in determining the fair value of option awards for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2022:

	<u>Year Ended December 31,</u>	
	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>
Expected volatility	70.0%	81.8%
Risk-free interest rate	0.60% - 1.10%	1.60% - 4.35%
Expected dividend yield	0%	0%
Expected term (in years)	6.25	5.95

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The weighted-average grant-date fair value of the options granted was \$1.14 and \$1.53 per share for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2022, respectively. The fair value of shares vested during the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2022 was \$1.72 and \$1.72 per share, respectively. The fair value of shares exercised during the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2022 was \$1.14 and \$1.62 per share, respectively.

The following table summarizes stock option activity for the year ended December 31, 2022 (in thousands, except share and per share amounts):

	Number of Shares	Weighted- Average Exercise Price	Weighted- Average Remaining Contractual Term	Aggregate Intrinsic Value
Outstanding at December 31, 2021	3,038,416	\$ 1.46	6.92	\$ 1,295
Granted	882,140	\$ 2.16		
Exercised	(129,103)	\$ 1.62		78
Forfeited/expired	(26,363)	\$ 1.82		
Outstanding at December 31, 2022	3,765,090	1.62	7.66	\$ 2,685
Vested and expected to vest at December 31, 2022	3,765,090	\$ 1.62	7.66	\$ 2,685
Exercisable at December 31, 2022	2,479,333	\$ 1.41	6.95	\$ 2,306

The Company has recorded stock-based compensation expense related to stock options of \$1.1 million and \$0.7 million for December 31, 2021 and 2022, respectively. The Company had an aggregate \$1.7 million of gross unrecognized stock-based compensation expense as of December 31, 2022 remaining to be amortized over a weighted-average period of 3.0 years.

Stock-based compensation expense related to stock options recorded in the accompanying statements of operations for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2022 was as follows (in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31,	
	2021	2022
Research and development	\$ 334	\$ 542
General and administrative	778	134
Total stock-based compensation expense	\$ 1,112	\$ 676

The Company has not recognized and does not expect to recognize in the near future, any tax benefit related to employee stock-based compensation expense as a result of the full valuation allowance related to its net deferred tax assets.

10. Income Taxes

A reconciliation of the expected income tax benefit computed using the federal statutory income tax rate to the Company's effective income tax rate was as follows for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2022:

	Year Ended December 31,	
	2021	2022
Income tax computed at federal statutory rate	21.00%	21.00%
State taxes, net of federal benefit	(0.01)	(0.00)
Permanent differences	(0.19)	(0.48)
Research and development credit	5.31	1.80
Valuation allowance	(26.11)	(22.32)
Effective income tax rate	(0.00%)	(0.00%)

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The Company's deferred tax assets as of December 31, 2021 and 2022, consisted of the following (in thousands):

	<u>Year Ended December 31,</u>	
	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>
Deferred tax assets:		
Net operating losses	\$ 7,791	\$ 12,663
R&D credit	2,455	3,076
Foreign tax credit	425	424
Operating lease liabilities	26	94
Section 174	—	2,194
Other	302	576
Total gross deferred tax assets	<u>10,998</u>	<u>19,027</u>
Deferred tax liabilities:		
Operating lease right-of-use assets	(24)	(88)
Other	(13)	(12)
Total gross deferred tax liabilities	<u>(37)</u>	<u>(100)</u>
Net deferred tax assets	<u>10,961</u>	<u>18,927</u>
Valuation allowance	<u>(10,961)</u>	<u>(18,927)</u>
Net deferred tax asset	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ —</u>

Deferred tax assets are reduced by a valuation allowance if, based on the weight of available positive and negative evidence, it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred tax assets will not be realized. For the year ended December 31, 2022, the valuation allowance for deferred tax assets increased by \$8.0 million. This increase was primarily related to the establishment of a valuation allowance against additional net operating loss, Section 174 capitalized research and experimental (R&E) costs and research credits generated in the current year.

As of December 31, 2022, the Company calculated \$62.5 million and \$0.2 million of federal and state (NOL) net operating loss carryforwards, respectively. These amounts are subject to certain return-to-provision adjustments. Of the \$62.5 million in federal NOL carryforwards, \$50.3 million is not subject to expiration and the other \$12.2 million begin to expire in 2030. The state NOL carryforwards begin to expire in 2040. In addition, as of December 31, 2022, the Company had \$3.7 million of federal R&D credit carryovers which begin to expire in 2032 and \$0.9 million of state credit carryovers, which can be carried forward indefinitely, and \$0.4 million of foreign tax credit carryover which will expire in 2029. These loss and credit carryforwards are subject to review and possible adjustment by the appropriate taxing authorities.

Utilization of the Company's NOL carryforwards and R&D credit carryforwards may be subject to a substantial annual limitation due to ownership change limitations that have occurred previously or that could occur in the future in accordance with Section 382 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (Section 382) as well as similar state provisions. These ownership changes may limit the amount of NOL and R&D credit carryforwards that can be utilized annually to offset future taxable income and taxes, respectively. In general, an ownership change as defined by Section 382 results from transactions increasing the ownership of certain shareholders or public companies in the stock of a corporation by more than 50% over a three-year period. Since its formation, the Company has raised capital through the issuance of capital stock on several occasions. The Company believes one or more of these financings resulted in an ownership change as defined by Section 382, and consequently the Company's ability to fully utilize its NOL carryforwards will likely be limited. As a current analysis has not been performed, the amount of such limitations, if any, cannot be accurately estimated at this time.

As of December 31, 2021 and 2022, the Company recorded \$0.6 million and \$0.7 million unrecognized tax benefits on R&D credits. The Company's policy is to recognize interest and penalties accrued on any uncertain tax positions as a component of income tax expense, if any, in its statements of income. For the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2022, no estimated interest or penalties were recognized on uncertain tax positions.

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The following reconciliation of the beginning and ending amount of gross unrecognized tax benefits, excluding interest and penalties, is as follows (in thousands):

	<u>Year Ended December 31,</u>	
	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>
Beginning balance of unrecognized tax benefits	\$ 463	\$ 580
Additions for current year tax positions	117	111
Ending balance of unrecognized tax benefits	<u>\$ 580</u>	<u>\$ 691</u>

None of the unrecognized tax benefits, if recognized, would impact the annual effective tax rate, due to the valuation allowance. The Company's unrecognized tax benefits are recorded as a reduction in deferred tax assets. The Company does not expect any significant increases or decreases to the Company's unrecognized tax benefits within the next 12 months. Due to the valuation allowance, future changes in the Company's unrecognized tax benefits will not impact the Company's effective tax rate. The Company has not incurred any material interest or penalties as of the current reporting date with respect to income tax matters.

Tax Cuts and Jobs Act's (TCJA) amendment to Section 174 required Research and Experimental (R&E) expenditures to be capitalized in the year the amounts are incurred for amounts paid in tax years starting after December 31, 2021. The capitalized amounts are then amortized over a period of five years, if the research is performed within the U.S., or 15 years, with respect to non-U.S. based research. The amended statute specifies that amortization will begin with the midpoint of the taxable year in which expenses are paid or incurred.

11. Debt

PPP Loan

In April 2020, the Company entered into the PPP Loan with SVB under the PPP, which is part of the CARES Act administered by the SBA. As part of the application for these funds, the Company in good faith, certified that the current economic uncertainty made the loan request necessary to support the ongoing operations of the Company. This certification further required the Company to take into account its current business activity and its ability to access other sources of liquidity sufficient to support ongoing operations in a manner that is not significantly detrimental to the business. Under the PPP, the Company received proceeds of \$0.2 million from the PPP Loan. In accordance with the requirements of the PPP, the Company used the proceeds from the PPP Loan primarily for payroll costs. The PPP Loan had a 1.00% interest rate per annum, was scheduled to mature in April 2022, and was subject to the terms and conditions applicable to loans administered by the SBA under the PPP. Under the terms of PPP, all or certain amounts of the PPP Loan may have been forgiven if they were used for qualifying expenses, as described in the CARES Act. Further, if, despite the good-faith belief that, given the Company's circumstances all eligibility requirements for the PPP Loan were satisfied, it was later determined the Company had violated any applicable laws or regulations or it was otherwise determined the Company was ineligible to receive the PPP Loan, it may have been required to repay the PPP Loan in its entirety and/or be subject to additional penalties. The Company recorded the entire amount of the PPP Loan as debt. Under the terms of the PPP Loan, monthly payments of principal and interest were due to commence in November 2020, however, the SBA deferred loan payments for borrowers who applied for loan forgiveness until the SBA remitted the borrower's loan forgiveness amount to the lender. No payments were made in 2020. In January 2021, the Company completed an application for forgiveness of the PPP Loan. In January 2021, the SBA approved the forgiveness of the PPP Loan, plus accrued interest.

In January 2021, the Company entered into a second loan agreement (the Second PPP Loan) with SVB under the PPP and received proceeds of \$0.2 million from the Second PPP Loan. The Second PPP Loan had a 1.00% interest rate per annum, was scheduled to mature in January 2026, and was subject to similar certifications, terms and conditions as applicable to the PPP Loan. The Company recorded the entire amount of the Second PPP Loan as debt. Under the terms of the Second PPP Loan, monthly payments of principal and interest were due to commence in June 2022, however, the SBA deferred loan payments for borrowers who applied for loan forgiveness until the

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SBA remitted the borrower's loan forgiveness amount to the lender. No payments were made in 2021. In June 2021, the SBA approved the forgiveness of the Second PPP Loan, plus accrued interest.

SVB Term Loan

In January 2021, the Company entered into the Loan Agreement with SVB for a term loan in three tranches. The Company drew down Tranche A funds in January 2021 for an original principal amount of \$5.0 million, in increments of \$2.5 million each. The Company drew down Tranche B funds in December 2021 for an original principal amount of \$10.0 million, in increments of \$5.0 million each, following the achievement of certain milestones. The Tranche C funds, for which the original principal amounts are not to exceed \$5.0 million, in increments of \$2.5 million each, were not drawn upon in 2021 or in 2022 and are only available on the achievement of certain milestones. In addition, at any time during the term of the Loan Agreement, the Company may request that SVB make one additional term loan available to the Company in an original principal amount equal to \$10.0 million. SVB, in its sole and absolute discretion, may grant or deny any such request from the Company for this term loan.

Funds received under the Loan Agreement (the Term Loan Advances) shall be interest-only during an interest-only period (the Interest-Only Period), with interest due and payable monthly on the first calendar day of each month. The Interest-Only Period, which was from January 8, 2021 through January 31, 2022, was able to be extended through July 31, 2022 if the Company achieved certain milestones (the Interest-Only Extension Milestones). The Interest-Only Period was extended to July 31, 2022 upon the draw down of Tranche B funds in December 2021. In August and September 2022, the Company entered into amendments to the Loan Agreement (the Loan Agreement Amendments). Per the Loan Agreement Amendments, the Interest-Only Period was extended from July 31, 2022 until October 31, 2022 and the net cash proceeds related to one of the Interest-Only Extension Milestones (Interest-Only Extension Milestone 1) were increased from \$50 million to \$80 million. In addition, if Interest-Only Extension Milestone 1 was achieved, the Interest-Only Period would be extended until January 31, 2023. Interest-Only Extension Milestone 1 was achieved in September 2022 as a result of the sale of Series E. Thereafter, the Term Loan Advances are payable in thirty, twenty-four, or eighteen equal monthly installments (dependent on the achievement of the Interest-Only Extension Milestones) of principal plus accrued and unpaid interest (each a Term Loan Payment) beginning on the first day of the next month following the end of the Interest-Only Period and continuing on the first day of each month thereafter.

The Term Loan Advances accrue interest at a floating per annum rate equal to the greater of 3.25% above the Prime Rate or 6.50%, provided however, the interest rate shall not exceed 7.50% at any time. Immediately upon the occurrence and during the continuance of an event of default, obligations bear interest at a rate per annum which is 5.0% above the rate that is otherwise applicable.

The Company's final Term Loan Payment, due on July 1, 2024, shall include all outstanding principal and accrued and unpaid interest on the Term Loan Advances, a final payment (the Final Payment), and all other outstanding obligations with respect to the Term Loan Advances. The Final Payment shall equal the aggregate original amount of all Term Loan Advances made by SVB to the Company multiplied by 8.50%. The Final Payment is in addition to, and not a substitution for, the regular monthly payments of principal plus accrued interest. After repayment, no Term Loan Advance (or any portion thereof) may be reborrowed.

The Company has the option to prepay all, but not less than all, of the Term Loan Advances advanced by SVB under the Loan Agreement, provided the Company delivers written notice to SVB of its election to prepay such Term Loan Advances at least thirty days prior to such prepayment and pays, on the date of such prepayment, all outstanding principal due in connection with the Term Loan Advances, plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon, a prepayment fee (the Prepayment Fee), the Final Payment, and all other sums, if any, that have become due and payable in connection with the Term Loan Advances.

If the Term Loan Advances are accelerated following the occurrence of an event of default, the Company shall immediately pay to SVB an amount equal to the sum of all outstanding principal, due in connection with the Term

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Loan Advances, plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon, a prepayment fee, the Final Payment, and all other sums, if any, that have become due and payable hereunder in connection with the Term Loan Advances. The prepayment fee equals 2.00% of the outstanding principal balance of the Term Loan Advances, if such prepayment occurs prior to January 8, 2022, or 1.00% of the outstanding principal balance of the Term Loan Advances if such prepayment occurs on or after January 8, 2022, but prior to January 8, 2023. The following situations constitutes an event of default; payment default, covenant default, material adverse change, attachment, levy, insolvency, judgements, penalties, misrepresentations, subordinated debt, guaranty, lien priority and governmental approvals.

In connection with the Loan Agreement, the Company entered into a Success Fee Agreement (the Success Fee Agreement) with SVB in January 2021. In accordance with the Success Fee Agreement, the Company agreed to pay to SVB an amount equal to (a) the quotient of (i) the aggregate original principal amount of all Term Loan Advances made by SVB to the Company divided by (ii) \$5 million, multiplied by (b) \$125,000 (the Success Fee), upon the closing of a success fee event (the Success Fee Event) and, in the event of an initial public offering (an IPO), within five business days of closing such IPO. The Success Fee Event means the earliest to occur of any one of the following after January 8, 2021: (a) any sale, license, transfer or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company or any of its subsidiaries; or (b) any reorganization, consolidation, or merger of the Company (or a subsidiary, but only if such subsidiary is a successor-in-interest to the Company's business) where the holders of the Company's securities (or such subsidiary's securities) before the transaction beneficially own less than 50% of the outstanding voting securities of the surviving entity after the transaction, or (c) an IPO by the Company or such subsidiary of its capital stock. The Company's obligation to pay SVB the Success Fee terminates on January 8, 2031.

As of December 31, 2022, the principal amounts of long-term debt maturities for each of the following fiscal years were as follows:

<u>Fiscal year</u>	
2023	\$ 8,966
2024	7,309
Total future principal payments	\$ 16,275
Less: unamortized debt discount and issuance costs	(777)
Carrying value of long-term debt	15,498
Less: current portion	(8,966)
Long-term debt, net of current portion	\$ 6,532

12. Net Loss Per Share Attributable to Common Stockholders

Basic and diluted net loss per share was calculated as follows (in thousands, except share and per share amounts):

	<u>Year Ended December 31,</u>	
	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>
Numerator:		
Net loss and comprehensive loss	\$ (12,839)	\$ (35,443)
Deemed dividend on redeemable convertible preferred stock issuances	—	(474)
Cumulative redeemable convertible preferred stock dividends	(5,544)	(7,871)
Net loss attributable to common stockholders	\$ (18,383)	\$ (43,788)
Denominator:		
Weighted-average common shares outstanding, basic and diluted	3,650,543	3,740,892
Net loss per share attributable to common stockholders, basic and diluted	\$ (5.04)	\$ (11.71)

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The Company's potentially dilutive securities, which include redeemable convertible preferred stock and stock options, have been excluded from the computation of diluted net loss per share as the effect would be to reduce the net loss per share. Basic and diluted net loss per share attributable to common stockholders is computed in conformity with the two-class method required for participating securities. The Company considers all series of its convertible preferred stock to be participating securities as the holders of such stock have the right to receive dividends on a pari passu basis in the event that a dividend is paid on common stock. Under the two-class method, the net loss attributable to common stockholders is not allocated to the convertible preferred stock as the preferred stockholders do not have a contractual obligation to share in the Company's losses.

The Company excluded the following from the computation of diluted net loss per share attributable to common stockholders as of December 31, 2021 and 2022 because including them would have had an anti-dilutive effect:

	Year Ended December 31,	
	2021	2022
Conversion of redeemable convertible preferred stock	18,066,721	29,857,244
Stock options outstanding	3,038,416	3,765,090
Total	21,105,137	33,622,334

13. Related Parties

In 2022, the Company entered into an agreement with an outside consulting firm for the provision of interim Chief Financial Officer (CFO) services. The Company paid the consulting firm for the provision of the interim CFO services rendered less than \$0.1 million for services rendered for the year ended December 31, 2022.

14. Subsequent Events

The Company evaluated subsequent events through October 27, 2023, the date on which the December 31, 2022 financial statements were issued, to ensure these financial statements include appropriate disclosure of events both recognized in the financial statements and events which occurred but were not recognized in the financial statements. The Company has further evaluated subsequent events through January 18, 2024. The Company has concluded that no subsequent events have occurred that require disclosure, except as described below.

Repayment of Term Loan

On May 12, 2023, the Company repaid all outstanding principal and accrued and unpaid interest on the Term Loan Advances under the Loan Agreement and all other outstanding obligations with respect to the Term Loan Advances under the Loan Agreement and made the Final Payment. The Company's obligation to pay SVB the Success Fee remains outstanding.

Series F Preferred Stock Securities Purchase Agreement

On July 28, 2023, the Company entered into a securities purchase agreement (the Series F Agreement) with certain investors to sell shares of Series F redeemable convertible preferred stock (Series F) at a price of \$1.2872 per share. In July 2023, the Company issued 81,587,937 shares of Series F redeemable convertible preferred stock to existing and new investors at a price of \$1.2872 per share for gross cash proceeds of \$105.0 million, less issuance costs of \$0.4 million, resulting in net proceeds of \$104.6 million.

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2024 Equity Incentive Plan (unaudited)

On January 11, 2024, the Company's board of directors and stockholders approved the 2024 Equity Incentive Plan (the 2024 Plan), which will become effective on the date immediately preceding the date on which the Company's registration statement will be declared effective by the SEC. The 2024 Plan will replace the 2022 Plan (see Note 9) as the Company's board of directors has determined to not make additional grants under the 2022 Plan following the closing of the offering. However, the 2015 and 2022 Plan will continue to govern outstanding equity awards granted under the 2015 and 2022 Plans. The 2024 Plan allows the Company to make equity-based and cash-based incentive awards to its officers, employees, directors and consultants.

The number of shares initially available for issuance under awards granted pursuant to the 2024 Plan (which number includes 494,807 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of stock options, to be granted in connection with the offering at an exercise price equal to the initial public offering price) will be the sum of (1) 10% of the number of "pricing date fully-diluted shares" (as defined in the 2024 Plan), plus (2) any shares of the Company's common stock which, as of the effective date of the 2024 Plan, remain available for issuance under the 2022 Plan, plus (3) any shares subject to outstanding awards under the 2015 Plan and 2022 Plan as of the effective date of the 2024 Plan that become available for issuance under the 2024 Plan thereafter in accordance with its terms.

2024 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (unaudited)

On January 11, 2024, the Company's board of directors and stockholders approved the 2024 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the 2024 ESPP), which will become effective on the date immediately preceding the date on which the Company's registration statement will be declared effective by the SEC. The number of shares initially available for issuance pursuant to the 2024 ESPP will be equal to a number of shares equal to 1% of the number of "pricing date fully-diluted shares" (as defined in the 2024 Plan).

Reverse Stock Split

On January 11, 2024, the Company's board of directors approved a 1-for-9.535 reverse stock split of its issued and outstanding common stock and stock option awards, which was effected on January 16, 2024. All issued and outstanding shares of common stock, stock option awards and per share data have been adjusted in these financial statements, on a retrospective basis, to reflect the reverse stock split for all periods presented. The par value of the common stock and preferred stock was not adjusted as a result of the reverse stock split. The number of authorized shares has not changed as the Company plans to file an amended and restated certificate of incorporation upon the closing of the offering.

The shares of common stock underlying outstanding stock options and other equity instruments were proportionately reduced and the respective exercise prices, if applicable, were proportionately increased in accordance with the terms of the agreements governing such securities. In addition, the conversion ratios for each series of the Company's Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock, which will automatically convert into shares of common stock upon the closing of the offering, were proportionally adjusted. Stockholders entitled to fractional shares as a result of the reverse stock split will receive a cash payment in lieu of receiving fractional shares.

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(In thousands, except share and per share amounts)

	December 31, 2022	September 30, 2023 (unaudited)
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 88,143	\$ 10,273
Marketable securities	55,338	193,476
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	3,424	5,958
Other receivables	303	1
Total current assets	147,208	209,708
Property and equipment, net	86	74
Operating lease right-of-use assets	420	476
Other assets	33	20
Deferred offering costs	—	1,607
Total assets	<u>\$ 147,747</u>	<u>\$ 211,885</u>
Liabilities, Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock and Stockholders' Deficit		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 985	\$ 1,961
Success fee liability, current portion	—	363
Long-term debt, current portion	8,966	—
Operating lease liabilities, current portion	189	215
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	5,289	9,164
Total current liabilities	15,429	11,703
Long-term debt	6,532	—
Success fee liability, non-current	352	13
Operating lease liabilities, net of current portion	257	302
Total liabilities	22,570	12,018
Commitments and contingencies (Note 5)		
Redeemable convertible preferred shares:		
Series A-1 redeemable convertible preferred stock, \$0.0001 par value per share; 5,075,000 shares authorized, issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2022 and September 30, 2023; liquidation value of \$3,570 as of December 31, 2022 and September 30, 2023	3,570	3,570
Series B redeemable convertible preferred stock, \$0.0001 par value per share; 11,973,000 shares authorized, issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2022 and September 30, 2023; liquidation value of \$10,000 as of December 31, 2022 and September 30, 2023	10,000	10,000
Series C redeemable convertible preferred stock, \$0.0001 par value per share; 73,598,283 shares authorized, issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2022 and September 30, 2023; liquidation value of \$22,000 as of December 31, 2022 and September 30, 2023	22,000	22,000
Series D redeemable convertible preferred stock, \$0.0001 par value per share; 53,271,754 shares authorized, issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2022 and September 30, 2023; liquidation value of \$47,300 as of December 31, 2022 and September 30, 2023	47,300	47,300
Series E redeemable convertible preferred stock, \$0.0001 par value per share; 112,422,700 shares authorized, issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2022 and September 30, 2023; liquidation value of \$120,000 as of December 31, 2022 and September 30, 2023, respectively	120,000	120,000
Series F redeemable convertible preferred stock, \$0.0001 par value per share; zero and 81,587,937 shares authorized, issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2022 and September 30, 2023, respectively; liquidation value of zero and \$105,020 as of December 31, 2022 and September 30, 2023, respectively	—	105,020
Stockholders' deficit:		
Common stock, \$0.0001 par value per share; 393,500,000 and 493,530,000 shares authorized as of December 31, 2022 and September 30, 2023, respectively; 3,842,694 and 5,068,598 shares issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2022 and September 30, 2023, respectively	—	1
Additional paid-in capital	3,642	5,802
Accumulated deficit	(81,335)	(113,826)
Total stockholders' deficit	(77,693)	(108,023)
Total liabilities, redeemable convertible preferred stock and stockholders' deficit	<u>\$ 147,747</u>	<u>\$ 211,885</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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Unaudited Condensed Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Loss
(In thousands, except share and per share amounts)

	Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,	
	2022	2023
Revenue:		
Research and collaboration revenue	\$ 191	\$ 203
Operating expenses:		
Research and development	21,371	29,837
General and administrative	4,751	6,883
Total operating expenses	26,122	36,720
Loss from operations	(25,931)	(36,517)
Other (expense) income, net:		
Interest (expense) income, net	(911)	4,084
Other (expense) income, net	(209)	(58)
Total other (expense) income, net	(1,120)	4,026
Net loss and comprehensive loss	\$ (27,051)	\$ (32,491)
Deemed dividend on redeemable convertible preferred stock issuances	(413)	(410)
Cumulative redeemable convertible preferred stock dividends	(4,162)	(12,846)
Net loss attributable to common stockholders	\$ (31,626)	\$ (45,747)
Net loss per share attributable to common stockholders, basic and diluted	\$ (8.50)	\$ (11.29)
Weighted-average shares of common stock outstanding, basic and diluted	3,721,600	4,053,280

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Unaudited Condensed Statements of Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock and Stockholders' Deficit
(In thousands, except share amounts)

	Series A-1 Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock		Series B Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock		Series C Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock		Series D Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock		Series E Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock		Series F Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock		Common Stock		Additional Paid-in Capital	Accumulated Deficit	Total Stockholders' Deficit
	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount			
Balance at December 31, 2021	5,075,000	\$ 3,570	11,973,000	\$ 10,000	73,598,283	\$ 22,000	53,271,754	\$ 47,300	—	\$ —	—	\$ —	3,713,579	\$ —	\$ 3,274	\$ (45,892)	\$ (42,61)
Issuance of Series E redeemable convertible preferred stock (inclusive of deemed dividend of \$413 to accrete to redemption value)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	67,277,209	71,812	—	—	—	—	(413)	—	(41)
Issuance of Common Stock	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	13,864	—	18	—	1
Stock-based compensation expense	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	528	—	52
Net loss	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(27,051)	(27,05)
Balance at September 30, 2022	<u>5,075,000</u>	<u>\$ 3,570</u>	<u>11,973,000</u>	<u>\$ 10,000</u>	<u>73,598,283</u>	<u>\$ 22,000</u>	<u>53,271,754</u>	<u>\$ 47,300</u>	<u>67,277,209</u>	<u>\$ 71,812</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>3,727,443</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 3,407</u>	<u>\$ (72,943)</u>	<u>\$ (69,53)</u>

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Unaudited Condensed Statements of Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock and Stockholders' Deficit
(In thousands, except share amounts)

	Series A-1 Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock		Series B Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock		Series C Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock		Series D Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock		Series E Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock		Series F Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock		Common Stock		Additional Paid-in Capital	Accumulated Deficit	Total Stockholders' Deficit
	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount			
Balance at December 31, 2022	5,075,000	\$ 3,570	11,973,000	\$ 10,000	73,598,283	\$ 22,000	53,271,754	\$ 47,300	112,422,700	\$ 120,000	—	\$ —	3,842,694	\$ —	\$ 3,642	\$ (81,335)	\$ (77)
Issuance of Series F redeemable convertible preferred stock (inclusive of deemed dividend of \$410 to accrete to redemption value)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	81,587,937	105,020	—	—	(410)	—	—
Issuance of Common Stock	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1,225,904	1	1,820	—	1
Stock-based compensation expense	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	750	—	—
Net loss	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(32,491)	(32)
Balance at September 30, 2023	<u>5,075,000</u>	<u>\$ 3,570</u>	<u>11,973,000</u>	<u>\$ 10,000</u>	<u>73,598,283</u>	<u>\$ 22,000</u>	<u>53,271,754</u>	<u>\$ 47,300</u>	<u>112,422,700</u>	<u>\$ 120,000</u>	<u>81,587,937</u>	<u>\$ 105,020</u>	<u>5,068,598</u>	<u>\$ 1</u>	<u>\$ 5,802</u>	<u>\$ (113,826)</u>	<u>\$ (108)</u>

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CG ONCOLOGY, INC.
Unaudited Condensed Statements of Cash Flows
(In thousands)

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2022	2023
Operating Activities		
Net loss	\$(27,051)	\$ (32,491)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities		
Depreciation and amortization	11	13
Amortization of loan fees	9	3
Final payment amortization and loss on debt extinguishment	336	767
Success fee amortization	37	49
Stock-based compensation expense	528	750
Non-cash lease expense	20	14
Changes in operating assets and liabilities		
Prepaid and current assets	362	(2,233)
Other assets	52	13
Accounts payable	(204)	630
Accrued expenses	2,925	2,867
Net cash used in operating activities	<u>(22,975)</u>	<u>(29,618)</u>
Investing Activities		
Purchase of marketable securities	—	(138,138)
Purchase of property and equipment	(15)	—
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(15)</u>	<u>(138,138)</u>
Financing Activities		
Proceeds from Series E redeemable convertible preferred stock financing, net of issuance costs	62,976	—
Proceeds from issuance of Series F redeemable convertible preferred stock, net of issuance costs	—	104,625
Payment of long-term debt	—	(16,290)
Deferred offering costs	—	(270)
Proceeds from exercise of common stock options	18	1,821
Net cash provided by financing activities	<u>62,994</u>	<u>89,886</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash, cash equivalent and restricted cash	40,004	(77,870)
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash at beginning of year	53,607	88,143
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash at end of period	<u>\$ 93,611</u>	<u>\$ 10,273</u>
Supplemental Disclosure of Cash Flow Instructions		
Cash paid for interest	\$ 804	\$ 376
Cash paid for taxes	\$ 28	\$ 40
Supplemental Schedule of Noncash Investing and Financing Activities		
Issuance costs unpaid for Series E and Series F redeemable convertible preferred stock	\$ 304	\$ 16
Receivables from issuance of Series E redeemable convertible preferred stock	\$ 13,727	\$ —
Deferred offering costs, unpaid and accrued	\$ —	\$ 1,338
Operating lease right-of-use asset obtained in exchange for lease liabilities	\$ 474	\$ 221

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1. Description of Business and Basis of Presentation

Description of Business

Cold Genesys Inc. was incorporated in California in September 2010, reincorporated in Delaware in November 2017 and is headquartered in Irvine, California. Cold Genesys, Inc. changed its name to CG Oncology, Inc. (the Company), in March 2020. The Company is a late-stage clinical biopharmaceutical company focused on developing and commercializing its product candidate, cretostimogene, for patients with bladder cancer. The Company is at a clinical stage and does not project to generate significant revenues if and until the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approves its primary asset, cretostimogene.

Liquidity and Management's Plans

As of September 30, 2023, the Company had approximately \$203.7 million of cash and cash equivalents and marketable securities and working capital of approximately \$198.0 million. The Company has a relatively limited operating history, and the revenue and income potential of the Company's business and market are unproven. The Company has experienced net losses and negative cash flows from operations since its inception and, as of September 30, 2023, the Company had an accumulated deficit of \$113.8 million. During the nine months ended September 30, 2023, the Company incurred a net loss of \$32.5 million and negative cash flows from operations of \$29.6 million. The Company will continue to incur significant costs and expenses related to its ongoing operations until it successfully develops, obtains regulatory approval and gains market acceptance of a product candidate and achieves a level of revenues adequate to support the Company's operations.

In the event the Company does or does not complete an initial public offering, the Company may pursue additional funding through private equity financings, debt financings, collaborations, strategic alliances and marketing, distribution or licensing arrangements. Although the Company has been successful in raising capital in the past, there is no assurance that the Company will be successful in obtaining such additional financing on terms acceptable to the Company, if at all, and the Company may not be able to enter into collaborations or other arrangements. If the Company is unable to obtain funding, the Company could be forced to delay, reduce or eliminate its research and development programs, which could adversely affect its business prospects and its ability to continue operations.

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying unaudited condensed financial statements as of September 30, 2023 and for the nine months ended September 30, 2022 and 2023 have been prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principle (U.S. GAAP) for interim financial information and pursuant to Article 10 of Regulation of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and notes required by U.S. GAAP for complete financial statements. These unaudited condensed financial statements include only normal and recurring adjustments that the Company believes are necessary to fairly state the Company's financial position and the results of its operations and cash flows. The results for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 are not necessarily indicative of the results expected for the full fiscal year or any subsequent interim period. The condensed balance sheet at December 31, 2022 has been derived from the audited financial statements at that date but does not include all disclosures required by U.S. GAAP for complete financial statements. Because all of the disclosures required by U.S. GAAP for complete financial statements are not included herein, these unaudited condensed financial statements and the notes accompanying them should be read in conjunction with the Company's audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2022 included elsewhere in this Registration Statement.

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2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The Company's significant accounting policies are disclosed in the audited consolidated financial statements appearing elsewhere in this prospectus. Since the date of such audited consolidated financial statements, there have been no changes to the Company's significant accounting policies, except as noted below.

Deferred Offering Costs

The Company capitalizes as deferred offering costs all direct and incremental legal, professional, accounting and other third-party fees incurred in connection with the Company's initial public offering (IPO). The deferred offering costs will be offset against the IPO proceeds upon the consummation of an offering. As of December 31, 2022 and September 30, 2023, respectively, the Company had zero and \$1.6 million in deferred offering costs, of which \$0.3 million were in accounts payable and \$1.0 million were in accrued expenses.

Classification of Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock

Classification of the Company's Series A-1, B, C, D, E and F redeemable convertible preferred stock is being treated as mezzanine equity and not as part of stockholders' deficit because the holders of such shares have liquidation rights in the event of a deemed liquidation that, in certain situations, are not solely within the control of the Company and would require the redemption of the then-outstanding redeemable convertible preferred stock. In addition, all of the Company's redeemable convertible preferred stock are redeemable with the passage of time on or after July 28, 2028, by class and if requested by a requisite majority of each class. See Note 7 for additional information.

The carrying values of the Series A-1, B, C, D, E and F redeemable convertible preferred stock are reported at their respective redemption values.

3. Fair Value Measurements

The following tables present the financial instruments carried at fair value on a recurring basis as of December 31, 2022 and September 30, 2023, respectively, in accordance with the ASC 820 hierarchy (in thousands):

	Fair Value Measurements at December 31, 2022			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Assets				
Cash equivalents	\$87,143	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 87,143
Marketable securities	\$ —	\$ 55,338	\$ —	\$ 55,338
Liabilities				
Success fee liability	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 352	\$ 352
	Fair Value Measurements at September 30, 2023			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Assets				
Cash equivalents	\$ 9,830	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 9,830
Marketable securities		\$ 193,476		\$ 193,476
Liabilities				
Success fee liability	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 376	\$ 376

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The Company's cash equivalents represent deposits in a short-term U.S. Treasury money market fund quoted in an active market and were classified as a Level 1 fair value measurement. Marketable securities represent fixed income securities (U.S. treasury bills) with original maturities greater than 90 days and were classified as a level 2 fair value measurement.

The success fee liability associated with the Loan and Security Agreement (the Loan Agreement) the Company entered into in January 2021 was classified as a Level 3 fair value measurement, due to the use of unobservable inputs. See Note 10 for additional information on the success fee.

There were no transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy during the year ended December 31, 2022 and the nine months ended September 30, 2023.

The following table provides a summary of the changes in the Company's Level 3 fair value measurement:

Balance, December 31, 2022	\$352
Change in fair value of success fee	24
Balance, September 30, 2023	<u>\$376</u>

4. Accrued Expenses and Other Current Liabilities

The components of accrued expenses and other current liabilities for the year ended December 31, 2022 and for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 were as follows (in thousands):

	December 31, 2022	September 30, 2023
External research and development expenses	\$ 3,136	\$ 4,775
Personnel-related expenses	1,833	2,929
Professional fees	147	393
Deferred offering costs	—	1,008
Other	173	59
Total accrued expenses and other current liabilities	<u>\$ 5,289</u>	<u>\$ 9,164</u>

5. Commitments and Contingencies***Operating Leases***

As of December 31, 2022 and September 30, 2023, the Company had two operating leases, in which the Company was the lessee for office space. As of December 31, 2022, the lease terms were through 2023 and 2025. As of September 30, 2023, the lease terms were through 2025 and 2026. The Company had no finance leases as of December 31, 2022 and September 30, 2023.

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The components of lease expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2022 and 2023 were as follows (in thousands):

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2022	2023
Lease cost		
Operating lease cost	\$ 117	\$ 175
Total lease cost	<u>\$ 117</u>	<u>\$ 175</u>
Other information		
Cash paid for amounts included in the measurement of lease liabilities, included in operating cash flows	\$ 97	\$ 161
Weighted-average remaining lease term	2.65	2.38
Weighted-average discount rate	1.63%	1.63%

Maturities of lease liabilities as of September 30, 2023 were as follows (in thousands):

<u>Year Ending December 31,</u>	
2023	\$ 58
2024	223
2025	187
2026	59
Total lease payment	527
Less: amount representing imputed interest	(10)
Total future minimum lease obligations	<u>\$517</u>

Legal Proceedings

A liability for loss contingencies arising from claims, assessments, litigation, fines, penalties, and other sources is recorded in the financial statements if it is determined that it is probable that a loss has been incurred, and that the amount (or range) of the loss can be reasonably estimated. There are no matters currently outstanding for which any liabilities have been accrued or require disclosure.

Indemnifications

In the ordinary course of business, the Company may provide indemnification of varying scope and terms to vendors, lessors, business partners, and other parties with respect to certain matters including, but not limited to, losses arising out of breach of such agreements or from intellectual property infringement claims made by third parties. In addition, the Company has entered into indemnification agreements with officers and members of its Board of Directors that will require the Company, among other things, to indemnify them against certain liabilities that may arise by reason of their status or service as directors or officers. As of September 30, 2023, the Company had not experienced any losses related to these indemnification obligations, and no claims with respect thereto were outstanding.

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6. License and Collaboration Agreements

Lepu Biotech Co., Ltd.

In March 2019, the Company entered into a development and license agreement with Lepu for cretostimogene (the Lepu License Agreement). Under the terms of the Lepu License Agreement, the Company granted to Lepu an exclusive license to develop, manufacture and commercialize cretostimogene and/or DDM to treat and/or prevent cancer in mainland China, including Hong Kong and Macau (the Lepu Territory). The Company is obligated to use commercially reasonable efforts to supply Lepu with its requirements of cretostimogene and DDM for its development activities at Lepu's cost and to periodically provide Lepu with manufacturing documentation and, at Lepu's cost, reasonably requested assistance related to the manufacture of clinical and, if applicable, commercial supplies of cretostimogene and DDM. The Company determined that control of the license was transferred to Lepu on March 2019 upon execution of the contract. Please refer to the audited financial statements appearing elsewhere in this prospectus for additional information on the Lepu License Agreement.

The Company recorded zero and less than \$0.1 million in development income for the nine months ended September 30, 2022 and 2023.

Kissei Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.

In March 2020, and amended as of September 2022, the Company entered into a license and collaboration agreement with Kissei (the Kissei License Agreement). Under the terms of the Kissei License Agreement, the Company granted to Kissei an exclusive license to certain intellectual property rights in Bangladesh, Bhutan, Brunei, Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Japan, South Korea, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan, Palau, Philippines, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Taiwan, Thailand and Vietnam (the Kissei Territory), for Kissei to develop and commercialize, but not manufacture, cretostimogene in combination with DDM (the Licensed Product) for all uses in oncology indications for which marketing approval is being sought. Under the Kissei Agreement, the Company and Kissei agree to use commercially reasonable efforts to collaborate on clinical development activities in the Kissei Territory and each party is responsible for conducting the applicable activities pursuant to an agreed development plan. Kissei is responsible for the costs of developing the Licensed Product in the Kissei Territory, and the Company is responsible for the costs of developing the Licensed Product outside the Kissei Territory (Global Development), provided that Kissei is responsible for a low-double digit percentage and the Company is responsible for a high-double digit percentage of the cost of development activities that cannot be attributed solely to the Kissei Territory or outside the Kissei Territory. The Company is obligated to supply and Kissei will exclusively purchase its clinical and commercial requirements of Licensed Product from the Company. Kissei is responsible for commercializing the Licensed Product in the Kissei Territory and is obligated to use commercially reasonable efforts to seek regulatory approval for and commercialize at least one Licensed Product in a specified indication. Until a certain period of time has passed after the first regulatory approval of the Licensed Product, the Company is prohibited from commercializing certain competing products worldwide and Kissei is prohibited from researching, developing or commercializing certain competing products worldwide. Please refer to the audited financial statements appearing elsewhere in this prospectus for additional information on the Kissei License Agreement.

The Company recorded \$0.2 million in development income for the nine months ended September 30, 2022 and 2023.

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7. Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock

Redeemable convertible preferred stock consisted of the following as of December 31, 2022 and September 30, 2023 (in thousands, except share amounts):

<u>December 31, 2022</u>	<u>Authorized Shares</u>	<u>Shares Issued and Outstanding</u>	<u>Liquidation & Carrying Value</u>	<u>Common Stock Issuable Upon Conversion</u>
Series A-1	5,075,000	5,075,000	\$ 3,570	1,252,438
Series B	11,973,000	11,973,000	\$ 10,000	3,508,584
Series C	73,598,283	73,598,283	\$ 22,000	7,718,740
Series D	53,271,754	53,271,754	\$ 47,300	5,586,959
Series E	112,422,700	112,422,700	\$ 120,000	11,790,523
<u>September 30, 2023</u>	<u>Authorized Shares</u>	<u>Shares Issued and Outstanding</u>	<u>Liquidation & Carrying Value</u>	<u>Common Stock Issuable Upon Conversion</u>
Series A-1	5,075,000	5,075,000	\$ 3,570	1,252,438
Series B	11,973,000	11,973,000	\$ 10,000	3,508,584
Series C	73,598,283	73,598,283	\$ 22,000	7,718,740
Series D	53,271,754	53,271,754	\$ 47,300	5,586,959
Series E	112,422,700	112,422,700	\$ 120,000	11,790,523
Series F	81,587,937	81,587,937	\$ 105,020	8,556,669

Series F Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock

On July 28, 2023, the Company entered into a securities purchase agreement (Series F Agreement) with certain investors to sell shares of Series F redeemable convertible preferred stock (Series F) at \$1.2872 per share. In July 2023, the Company issued 81,587,937 shares of Series F redeemable convertible preferred stock to existing and new investors at \$1.2872 per share for gross cash proceeds of \$105.0 million, less issuance costs of \$0.4 million, resulting in net proceeds of \$104.6 million.

Rights, Preferences, Privileges and Restrictions

Voting Rights

Each preferred stockholder is entitled to cast the number of votes equal to the number of whole shares of common stock into which the shares of preferred stock held by such holder are convertible at the time of such vote. All preferred stockholders are entitled to vote on all matters upon which holders of common stock have the right to vote, other than matters that must by law be voted by class or series vote.

Conversion Rights

Each share of redeemable convertible preferred stock is convertible at the option of the holder at any time into a share of common stock. Each share of convertible preferred stock is convertible into that number of common shares as is determined by dividing the applicable Initial Purchase Price (the Initial Purchase Price) of such share by the applicable conversion price. The conversion rate is subject to adjustment upon the occurrence of certain events, including diluting issues of shares, stock splits, stock combinations, certain dividends and distributions, a merger and a reorganization. The conversion rates for each series of redeemable convertible

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preferred stock as of September 30, 2023 are as follows: Series A-1 1:4.05, Series B 1:3.412, and Series C, D, E, and F 1:9.535.

All shares of the redeemable convertible preferred stock shall automatically be converted into shares of common stock, based on the then-effective applicable conversion rate (i) upon the closing of the sale of shares of common stock to the public at a price of at least \$1.33 per share (subject to appropriate adjustment in the event of any stock dividend, stock split, combination or other similar recapitalization with respect to the common stock), in a firm commitment underwritten public offering pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, covering the offer and sale of common stock for the account of the Company (1) which results in at least \$100.0 million of gross proceeds to the Company and (2) in which the pre-money valuation of the Company immediately prior to such public offering is at least \$700.0 million or (ii) upon the written consent of the holders of at least 75% of the then-outstanding shares of convertible preferred stock voting together as a single class and not as separate series, and on an as-converted to common stock basis.

Dividend Rights

Holders of Series F Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive, prior and in preference to any other class or series of capital stock, cumulative cash dividends, when, as and if declared by the Board, out of any funds that are legally available, at the rate of 8% of the Series F Initial Purchase Price of \$1.2872 per annum on each outstanding share of Series F Preferred Stock, subject to adjustment for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like with respect to such shares.

Following the issuance and distribution of dividends to holders of Series F Preferred Stock, holders of Series E Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive, prior and in preference to the holders of Series D Preferred Stock and Series C Preferred Stock (together, the Senior Preferred Stock), Series B Preferred Stock, Series A-1 Preferred Stock and common stock, cumulative cash dividends, when, as and if declared by board of directors, out of any funds that are legally available, at the rate of 8% of the Series E Initial Purchase Price per annum on each outstanding share of Series E Preferred Stock, subject to adjustment for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like with respect to such shares.

Following the issuance and distribution of dividends to holders of Series F Preferred Stock and Series E Preferred Stock, holders of Series D Preferred Stock and Series C Preferred Stock (together, the Senior Preferred Stock) shall be entitled to receive, on a pari passu basis and prior and in preference to the holders of Series B Preferred Stock, Series A-1 Preferred Stock and common stock, cumulative cash dividends, when, as and if declared by the Board, out of any funds that are legally available, at the rate of (i) with respect to the Series E Preferred Stock, 8% of the Series E Initial Purchase Price per annum on each outstanding share of Series E Preferred Stock, subject to adjustment for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like with respect to such shares (ii) with respect to the Series D Preferred Stock, 8% of the Series D Initial Purchase Price per annum on each outstanding share of Series D Preferred Stock, subject to adjustment for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like with respect to such shares and (iii) with respect to the Series C Preferred Stock, 8% of the Series C Initial Purchase Price per annum on each outstanding share of Series C Preferred Stock, subject to adjustment for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like with respect to such shares.

Following the issuance and distribution of dividends to holders of Series F Preferred Stock, Series E Preferred Stock and Senior Preferred Stock, holders of Series B Preferred Stock and Series A-1 Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive, on a pari passu basis and prior and in preference to the holders of common stock, noncumulative cash dividends, when, as and if declared by the Board of Directors, out of any funds that are

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legally available, at the rate of (i) with respect to the Series B Preferred Stock, 8% of the Series B Initial Purchase Price per annum on each outstanding share of Series B Preferred Stock, subject to adjustment for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like with respect to such shares and (ii) with respect to the Series A-1 Preferred Stock, 8% of the Series A-1 Initial Purchase Price per annum on each outstanding share of Series A-1 Preferred Stock, subject to adjustment for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like with respect to such shares.

No distributions shall be made with respect to the common stock unless dividends on the redeemable convertible preferred stock have been declared and all declared dividends on the redeemable convertible preferred stock have been paid or set aside for payment to the redeemable convertible preferred stockholders. The right to receive dividends on shares of Series B Preferred Stock and Series A-1 Preferred Stock shall not be cumulative, and no right to dividends shall accrue to holders of Series B Preferred Stock and Series A-1 Preferred Stock by reason of the fact that dividends on said shares are not declared or paid. Payment of any dividends to the holders of Series B Preferred Stock and Series A-1 Preferred Stock shall be on a pro rata, pari passu basis in proportion to the dividend rate for the Series B Preferred Stock and Series A-1 Preferred Stock, as applicable.

After payment of the full amount of any dividends to holders of redeemable convertible preferred stock, any additional dividends shall be distributed among all holders of common stock and all holders of redeemable convertible preferred stock in proportion to the number of shares of common stock which would be held by each such holder if all such shares of redeemable convertible preferred stock were converted to common stock at the then-effective applicable conversion rate. The Company has not declared or paid any dividends for the year ended December 31, 2022 and the nine months ended September 30, 2023.

Liquidation Preference

In the event of any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding-up of the Company, or a deemed liquidation event of the Company (which includes certain mergers, acquisitions, and asset transfers), before any distribution or payment shall be made to the holders of common stock:

- (i) The holders of Series F Preferred Stock shall be entitled to be paid out of the assets of the Company, prior and in preference to any distribution of the proceeds of such liquidation, dissolution or winding up to the holders of Series E Preferred Stock, Senior Preferred Stock, Series B Preferred Stock, Series A-1 Preferred Stock or common stock, an amount per share of Series F Preferred Stock equal to the Series F Initial Purchase Price, plus all declared but unpaid dividends on the Series E Preferred Stock, for each share of Series F Preferred Stock then held.
- (ii) Following the distribution pursuant to holders of Series F Preferred Stock, the holders of Series E Preferred Stock shall be entitled to be paid out of the assets of the Company, prior and in preference to any distribution of the proceeds of such liquidation, dissolution or winding up to the holders of Senior Preferred Stock, Series B Preferred Stock, Series A-1 Preferred Stock or common stock, an amount per share of Series E Preferred Stock equal to the Series E Initial Purchase Price, plus all declared but unpaid dividends on the Series E Preferred Stock, for each share of Series E Preferred Stock then held.
- (iii) Following the distribution pursuant to holders of Series F Preferred Stock and Series E Preferred Stock, the holders of each series of Senior Preferred Stock shall be entitled to be paid out of the assets of the Company, on a pari passu basis and prior and in preference to any distribution of the proceeds of such liquidation, dissolution or winding up to the holders of Series B Preferred Stock, Series A-1 Preferred Stock or common stock, (i) with respect to the Series D Preferred Stock, an amount per

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share of Series D Preferred Stock equal to the Series D Initial Purchase Price, plus all declared but unpaid dividends on the Series D Preferred Stock, for each share of Series D Preferred Stock then held and (ii) with respect to the Series C Preferred Stock, an amount per share of Series C Preferred Stock equal to the Series C Initial Purchase Price, plus all declared but unpaid dividends on the Series C Preferred Stock, for each share of Series C Preferred Stock then held.

- (iv) Following the distributions pursuant to holders of Series F Preferred Stock, Series E Preferred Stock and Senior Preferred Stock, the holders of Series B Preferred Stock and Series A-1 Preferred Stock shall be entitled to be paid out of the assets of this Corporation, on a pari passu basis (i) with respect to the Series B Preferred Stock, an amount per share of Series B Preferred Stock equal to the Series B Initial Purchase Price, plus all declared but unpaid dividends on the Series B Preferred Stock, for each share of Series B Preferred Stock then held; and (ii) with respect to the Series A-1 Preferred Stock, an amount per share of Series A-1 Preferred Stock equal to the Series A-1 Initial Purchase Price, plus all declared but unpaid dividends on the Series A-1 Preferred Stock, for each share of Series A-1 Preferred Stock then held by them.
- (v) If, upon any such liquidation, dissolution or winding up, the assets of the Company shall be insufficient to make payment in full of the liquidation preferences described in (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv) above, then such assets shall be distributed in the following order of priority: (a) to the holders of Series F Preferred Stock in preference and ratably in proportion to the full amounts to which they would otherwise be respectively entitled pursuant to in (i) above, (b) any remaining assets then to the holders of Series E Preferred Stock in preference and ratably in proportion to the full amounts to which they would otherwise be respectively entitled pursuant to (ii) above, (c) any remaining assets then to the holders of each series of Senior Preferred Stock in preference and ratably in proportion to the full amounts to which they would otherwise be respectively entitled pursuant to (iii) above, and (d) any remaining assets then to the holders of Series B Preferred Stock and Series A-1 Preferred Stock ratably in proportion to the full amounts to which they would otherwise be respectively entitled pursuant to (iv) above.

After the payment of the full liquidation preferences as set out above, the remaining assets of the Company legally available for distribution, if any, shall be distributed ratably to the holders of the common stock, Series F Preferred Stock on an as-converted to common stock basis, Series E Preferred Stock on an as-converted to common stock basis, Senior Preferred Stock on an as-converted to common stock basis and Series A-1 Preferred Stock on an as-converted to common stock basis; provided, however, that if the aggregate amount which a holder of a share of Series A-1 Preferred Stock is entitled to receive exceeds the sum of three times the Series A-1 Initial Purchase Price plus declared but unpaid dividends thereon, such holder of Series A-1 Preferred Stock shall cease participating in such distribution as to such Series A-1 Preferred Stock, and the balance shall be distributed ratably to the holders of common stock, Series F Preferred Stock on an as-converted to common stock basis, Series E Preferred Stock on an as-converted to common stock basis and Senior Preferred Stock on an as-converted to common stock basis.

Redemption Rights

At any time, following July 28, 2028, Convertible Preferred Shares are redeemable as follows:

- (i) If requested in writing by holders of a majority of the then-outstanding shares of Series A-1 redeemable convertible preferred stock, all of the outstanding Series A-1 redeemable convertible preferred stock shall be redeemed by paying in cash in exchange for the shares of Series A-1 redeemable convertible preferred stock to be redeemed an amount equal to the Series A-1 Initial Purchase Price per share of Series A-1 redeemable convertible preferred stock (as adjusted for any

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stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like with respect to such shares), plus any and all declared but unpaid dividends with respect to such shares of Series A-1 redeemable convertible preferred stock.

- (ii) If requested in writing by holders of a majority of the then-outstanding shares of Series B redeemable convertible preferred stock, all of the outstanding Series B Preferred Stock shall be redeemed by paying in cash in exchange for the shares of Series B redeemable convertible preferred stock to be redeemed an amount equal to the Series B Initial Purchase Price per share of Series B redeemable convertible preferred stock (as adjusted for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like with respect to such shares), plus any and all declared but unpaid dividends with respect to such shares of Series B redeemable convertible preferred stock.
- (iii) If requested in writing by holders of 66.67% of the then-outstanding shares of Series C redeemable convertible preferred stock and to the extent affirmatively elected by a holder not to redeem, shares of the outstanding Series C redeemable convertible preferred stock shall be redeemed by paying in cash in exchange for the shares of Series C redeemable convertible preferred stock to be redeemed an amount equal to the Series C Initial Purchase Price per share of Series C redeemable convertible preferred stock (as adjusted for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like with respect to such shares), plus any and all declared but unpaid dividends with respect to such shares of Series C redeemable convertible preferred stock.
- (iv) If requested in writing by holders of a majority of the then-outstanding shares of Series D redeemable convertible preferred stock and to the extent affirmatively elected by a holder not to redeem, shares of the outstanding Series D redeemable convertible preferred stock shall be redeemed by paying in cash in exchange for the shares of Series D redeemable convertible preferred stock to be redeemed an amount equal to the Series D Initial Purchase Price per share of Series D redeemable convertible preferred stock (as adjusted for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like with respect to such shares), plus any and all declared but unpaid dividends with respect to such shares of Series D redeemable convertible preferred stock.
- (v) If requested in writing by holders of a majority of the then-outstanding shares of Series E redeemable convertible preferred stock and to the extent affirmatively elected by a holder not to redeem, all of the outstanding Series E Preferred Stock shall be redeemed by paying in cash in exchange for the shares of Series E Preferred Stock to be redeemed (other than those holders of Series E Preferred Stock that affirmatively choose to not participate in such redemption) an amount equal to: the Series E Initial Purchase Price per share of Series E Preferred Stock (as adjusted for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like with respect to such shares), plus any and all declared but unpaid dividends with respect to such shares of Series E Preferred Stock.
- (vi) If requested in writing by holders of a majority of the then-outstanding shares of Series F redeemable convertible preferred stock and to the extent affirmatively elected by a holder not to redeem, all of the outstanding Series F Preferred Stock shall be redeemed by paying in cash in exchange for the shares of Series F Preferred Stock to be redeemed (other than those holders of Series F Preferred Stock that affirmatively choose to not participate in such redemption) an amount equal to: the Series F Initial Purchase Price per share of Series F Preferred Stock (as adjusted for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like with respect to such shares), plus any and all declared but unpaid dividends with respect to such shares of Series F Preferred Stock.

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8. Common Stock

The Company is authorized to issue up to 393,500,000 and 493,530,000 shares of common stock at December 31, 2022 and September 30, 2023, respectively, of which 3,842,694 and 5,068,598 shares were issued and outstanding at December 31, 2022 and September 30, 2023, respectively.

Voting, dividend and liquidation rights of the holders of the common stock are subject to and qualified by the rights, powers and preferences of the holders of the preferred stock.

Voting

Each holder of outstanding shares of common stock shall be entitled to one vote in respect of each share. The holders of outstanding shares of common stock, voting together as a single class, shall be entitled to elect one director. The number of authorized shares of common stock may be increased or decreased by the affirmative vote of a majority of the outstanding shares of common stock and preferred stock voting together as a single class.

Dividends

Subject to the payment in full of all preferential dividends to which the holders of the preferred stock are entitled, the holders of common stock shall be entitled to receive dividends out of funds legally available therefor at such times and in such amounts as the board of directors may determine in its sole discretion, with holders of preferred stock and common stock sharing *pari passu* in such dividends.

Liquidation Rights

After payment in full of all preferential amounts to which the holders of preferred stock are entitled upon any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding-up of the Company or deemed liquidation event of the Company, all of the remaining assets of the Company available for distribution to the stockholders shall be distributed among the holders of the preferred stock and common stock, pro rata based on the number of shares held by each such holder on an as converted to common stock basis.

Reserved Shares

As of September 30, 2023, the Company reserved the following shares of common stock for issuance upon conversion of the outstanding redeemable convertible preferred stock and exercise of stock options:

	September 30, 2023
Conversion of redeemable convertible preferred stock	38,413,913
Stock options available for issuance	1,123,823
Stock options outstanding	4,688,990
Total	<u>44,226,726</u>

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In 2015, the Company established the 2015 Plan, under which the Company may grant options and restricted stock to its employees and certain non-employees. The maximum number of shares of common stock reserved for issuance under the 2015 Plan is 3,405,091 shares. As of September 30, 2023, there were 1,914,774 shares of common stock subject to outstanding awards under the 2015 Plan. In 2022, the Company established the 2022 Plan, under which the Company may grant options, restricted stock units, restricted stock, stock appreciation rights, dividend equivalents and other stock and cash-based awards to its employees and certain non-employees. The maximum number of shares of common stock reserved for issuance under the 2022 Plan is 3,927,889 shares. As of September 30, 2023, there were 2,774,216 shares of common stock subject to outstanding awards and 1,123,823 shares of common stock remaining and available for issuance under the 2022 Plan.

The Company may grant options to purchase authorized but unissued shares of the Company's common stock. Options granted under the 2015 Plan and 2022 Plan include incentive stock options that can be granted only to the Company's employees and non-statutory stock options that can be granted to the Company's employees, consultants, advisors and directors.

The exercise prices, vesting and other restrictions of the awards to be granted under the 2015 Plan and 2022 Plan are determined by the Board, except that no stock option may be issued with an exercise price less than the fair market value of the common stock at the date of the grant or have a term in excess of ten years. Options granted under the 2015 Plan and 2022 Plan are exercisable in whole or in part at any time subsequent to vesting.

Stock Options

The following table provides the assumptions used in determining the fair value of option awards for the nine months ended September 30, 2022 and 2023:

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2022	2023
Expected volatility	80.6%	81.7%
Risk-free interest rate	1.60% - 2.88%	3.58% - 4.35%
Expected dividend yield	0%	0%
Expected term (in years)	5.81	6.05

The weighted average grant-date fair value of the options granted was \$1.24 and \$3.24 per share for the nine months ended September 30, 2022 and 2023, respectively. The fair value of shares vested during the nine months ended September 30, 2022 and 2023 was \$1.72 and \$2.00 per share, respectively. The fair value of shares exercised during the nine months ended September 30, 2022 and 2023 was \$1.72 and \$1.43 per share, respectively.

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The following table summarizes stock option activity for the nine months ended September 30, 2023 (in thousands, except share and per share amounts):

	Number of Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Term (Years)	Aggregate Intrinsic Value
Outstanding at December 31, 2022	3,765,090	\$ 1.62	7.66	\$ 2,685
Granted	2,317,018	\$ 4.48		
Exercised	(1,225,957)	\$ 1.43		3,962
Forfeited	(167,161)	\$ 2.38		
Outstanding at September 30, 2023	4,688,990	\$ 3.05	8.38	\$ 15,515
Vested and expected to vest at September 30, 2023	4,688,990	\$ 3.05	8.38	\$ 1,515
Exercisable at September 30, 2023	1,626,947	\$ 1.53	6.57	\$ 7,897

The Company has recorded stock-based compensation expense related to stock options of \$0.5 million and \$0.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2022 and 2023, respectively. The Company had an aggregate \$8.3 million of gross unrecognized stock-based compensation expense as of September 30, 2023 remaining to be amortized over a weighted average period of 3.4 years.

Stock-based compensation expense related to stock options recorded in the accompanying statements of operations for the nine months ended September 30, 2022 and 2023 was as follows (in thousands):

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2022	2023
Research and development	\$ 455	\$ 430
General and administrative	73	320
Total stock-based compensation expense	\$ 528	\$ 750

The Company has not recognized and does not expect to recognize in the near future, any tax benefit related to employee stock-based compensation expense as a result of the full valuation allowance related to its net deferred tax assets.

10. Debt

In January 2021, the Company entered into the Loan Agreement with SVB for a term loan in three tranches. The Company drew down Tranche A funds in January 2021 for an original principal amount of \$5.0 million, in increments of \$2.5 million each. The Company drew down Tranche B funds in December 2021 for an original principal amount of \$10.0 million, in increments of \$5.0 million each, following the achievement of certain milestones. The Tranche C funds, for which the original principal amounts were not to exceed \$5.0 million, in increments of \$2.5 million each, were not drawn upon in 2021 or in 2022 and were only available on the achievement of certain milestones. In addition, at any time during the term of the Loan Agreement, the Company may have requested that SVB make one additional term loan available to the Company in an original principal amount equal to \$10.0 million. SVB, in its sole and absolute discretion, may have granted or denied any such request from the Company for this term loan. Please refer to the audited financial statements appearing elsewhere

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in this prospectus for additional information on the Loan Agreement, including the funds received under the Loan Agreement (the Term Loan Advances), a final payment (the Final Payment) and information on the Company's past debt agreements.

In connection with the Loan Agreement, the Company entered into a Success Fee Agreement (the Success Fee Agreement) with SVB in January 2021. In accordance with the Success Fee Agreement, the Company agreed to pay to SVB an amount equal to (a) the quotient of (i) the aggregate original principal amount of all Term Loan Advances made by SVB to the Company divided by (ii) \$5 million, multiplied by (b) \$125,000 (the Success Fee), upon the closing of a success fee event (the Success Fee Event) and, in the event of an initial public offering (an IPO), within five business days of closing such IPO. The Success Fee Event means the earliest to occur of any one of the following after January 8, 2021: (a) any sale, license, transfer or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company or any of its subsidiaries; or (b) any reorganization, consolidation, or merger of the Company (or a subsidiary, but only if such subsidiary is a successor-in-interest to the Company's business) where the holders of the Company's securities (or such subsidiary's securities) before the transaction beneficially own less than 50% of the outstanding voting securities of the surviving entity after the transaction, or (c) an IPO by the Company or such subsidiary of its capital stock. The Company's obligation to pay SVB the Success Fee terminates on January 8, 2031.

On May 12, 2023, the Company repaid all outstanding principal and accrued and unpaid interest on the Term Loan Advances under the Loan Agreement and all other outstanding obligations with respect to the Term Loan Advances under the Loan Agreement and made the Final Payment. The Company's obligation to pay SVB the Success Fee remains outstanding.

11. Net Loss Per Share Attributable to Common Stockholders

Basic and diluted net loss per share was calculated as follows (in thousands, except share and per share amounts):

	Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,	
	2022	2023
Numerator:		
Net loss and comprehensive loss	\$ (27,051)	\$ (32,491)
Deemed dividend on redeemable convertible preferred stock issuances	(413)	(410)
Cumulative redeemable convertible preferred stock dividends	(4,162)	(12,846)
Net loss attributable to common stockholders	<u>\$ (31,626)</u>	<u>\$ (45,747)</u>
Denominator:		
Weighted-average common shares outstanding, basic and diluted	<u>3,721,600</u>	<u>4,053,280</u>
Net loss per share attributable to common stockholders, basic and diluted	<u>\$ (8.50)</u>	<u>\$ (11.29)</u>

The Company's potentially dilutive securities, which include redeemable convertible preferred stock and stock options, have been excluded from the computation of diluted net loss per share as the effect would be to reduce the net loss per share. Basic and diluted net loss per share attributable to common stockholders is computed in conformity with the two-class method required for participating securities. The Company considers all series of its convertible preferred stock to be participating securities as the holders of such stock have the right to receive dividends on a pari passu basis in the event that a dividend is paid on common stock. Under the

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two-class method, the net loss attributable to common stockholders is not allocated to the convertible preferred stock as the preferred stockholders do not have a contractual obligation to share in the Company's losses.

The Company excluded the following from the computation of diluted net loss per share attributable to common stockholders at September 30, 2022 and 2023 because including them would have had an anti-dilutive effect:

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2022	2023
Conversion of redeemable convertible preferred stock	25,122,532	38,413,913
Stock options outstanding	3,261,925	4,688,990
Total	28,384,457	43,102,903

12. Related Parties

The Company paid Danforth Advisors, LLC for Stephen DiPalma's services as part-time CFO approximately less than \$0.1 million and \$0.2 million for services rendered for the nine months ended September 30, 2022 and 2023, respectively.

13. Subsequent Events

The Company has evaluated all subsequent events and transactions through December 4, 2023, the date the unaudited condensed financial statements were issued, to ensure these financial statements include appropriate disclosure of events both recognized in the financial statements and events which occurred but were not recognized in the financial statements. The Company has further evaluated subsequent events for purposes of the interim financial statements as of September 30, 2023, and for the nine months then ended, through January 18, 2024. The Company has concluded that no subsequent event has occurred that requires disclosure, except as described below.

2024 Equity Incentive Plan (unaudited)

On January 11, 2024, the Company's board of directors and stockholders approved the 2024 Equity Incentive Plan (the 2024 Plan), which will become effective on the date immediately preceding the date on which the Company's registration statement will be declared effective by the SEC. The 2024 Plan will replace the 2022 Plan (see Note 9) as the Company's board of directors has determined to not make additional grants under the 2022 Plan following the closing of the offering. However, the 2015 and 2022 Plan will continue to govern outstanding equity awards granted under the 2015 and 2022 Plans. The 2024 Plan allows the Company to make equity-based and cash-based incentive awards to its officers, employees, directors and consultants. The number of shares initially available for issuance under awards granted pursuant to the 2024 Plan (which number includes 494,807 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of stock options, to be granted in connection with the offering at an exercise price equal to the initial public offering price) will be the sum of (1) 10% of the number of "pricing date fully-diluted shares" (as defined in the 2024 Plan), plus (2) any shares of the Company's common stock which, as of the effective date of the 2024 Plan, remain available for issuance under the 2022 Plan, plus (3) any shares subject to outstanding awards under the 2015 Plan and 2022 Plan as of the effective date of the 2024 Plan that become available for issuance under the 2024 Plan thereafter in accordance with its terms.

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2024 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (unaudited)

On January 11, 2024, the Company's board of directors and stockholders approved the 2024 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the 2024 ESPP), which will become effective on the date immediately preceding the date on which the Company's registration statement will be declared effective by the SEC. The number of shares initially available for issuance pursuant to the 2024 ESPP will be equal to a number of shares equal to 1% of the number of "pricing date fully-diluted shares" (as defined in the 2024 Plan).

Reverse Stock Split

On January 11, 2024, the Company's board of directors approved a 1-for-9.535 reverse stock split of its issued and outstanding common stock and stock option awards which was effected on January 16, 2024. All issued and outstanding shares of common stock, stock option awards and per share data have been adjusted in these unaudited condensed financial statements, on a retrospective basis, to reflect the reverse stock split for all periods presented. The par value of the common stock and preferred stock was not adjusted as a result of the reverse stock split. The number of authorized shares has not changed as the Company plans to file an amended and restated certificate of incorporation upon the closing of the offering.

The shares of common stock underlying outstanding stock options and other equity instruments were proportionately reduced and the respective exercise prices, if applicable, were proportionately increased in accordance with the terms of the agreements governing such securities. In addition, the conversion ratios for each series of the Company's Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock, which will automatically convert into shares of common stock upon the closing of the offering, were proportionally adjusted. Stockholders entitled to fractional shares as a result of the reverse stock split will receive a cash payment in lieu of receiving fractional shares.

11,800,000 Shares



Common Stock

Prospectus

Morgan Stanley

Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC

Cantor

LifeSci Capital

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Through and including _____, 2024 (the 25th day after the date of this prospectus), all dealers effecting transactions in these securities, whether or not participating in this offering, may be required to deliver a prospectus. This is in addition to a dealer's obligation to deliver a prospectus when acting as an underwriter and with respect to an unsold allotment or subscription.

Part II**INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS****Item 13. Other Expenses of Issuance and Distribution.**

The following table indicates the expenses to be incurred in connection with the offering described in this registration statement, other than underwriting discounts and commissions, all of which will be paid by us. All amounts are estimated except the SEC registration fee, the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. (FINRA) filing fee and the Nasdaq Global Select Market listing fee.

	Amount Paid or to Be Paid
SEC registration fee	\$ 36,053
FINRA filing fee	\$ 37,139
Nasdaq Global Select Market listing fee	\$ 25,000
Accountants' fees and expenses	\$ 1,000,000
Legal fees and expenses	\$ 2,750,000
Consulting fees and related expenses	\$ 1,000,000
Transfer Agent's fees and expenses	\$ 100,000
Printing and engraving expenses	\$ 350,000
Miscellaneous	\$ 201,808
Total expenses	<u>\$ 5,500,000</u>

Item 14. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.

Section 102 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware permits a corporation to eliminate the personal liability of directors of a corporation to the corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for a breach of fiduciary duty as a director, except where the director breached his duty of loyalty, failed to act in good faith, engaged in intentional misconduct or knowingly violated a law, authorized the payment of a dividend or approved a stock repurchase in violation of Delaware corporate law or obtained an improper personal benefit. Our certificate of incorporation provides that no director of the Registrant shall be personally liable to it or its stockholders for monetary damages for any breach of fiduciary duty as a director, notwithstanding any provision of law imposing such liability, except to the extent that the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware prohibits the elimination or limitation of liability of directors for breaches of fiduciary duty.

Section 145 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware provides that a corporation has the power to indemnify a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation, or a person serving at the request of the corporation for another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise in related capacities against expenses (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by the person in connection with an action, suit or proceeding to which he was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, ending or completed action, suit or proceeding by reason of such position, if such person acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation, and, in any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful, except that, in the case of actions brought by or in the right of the corporation, no indemnification shall be made with respect to any claim, issue or matter as to which such person shall have been adjudged to be liable to the corporation unless and only to the extent that the Court of Chancery or other adjudicating court determines that, despite the adjudication of liability but in view of all of the circumstances of the case, such person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnity for such expenses which the Court of Chancery or such other court shall deem proper.

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and our amended and restated bylaws, each of which will become effective immediately prior to the closing of this offering, will provide that we will indemnify each

person who was or is a party or threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding (other than an action by or in the right of us) by reason of the fact that he or she is or was, or has agreed to become, a director or officer, or is or was serving, or has agreed to serve, at our request as a director, officer, partner, employee or trustee of, or in a similar capacity with, another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise (all such persons being referred to as an "Indemnitee"), or by reason of any action alleged to have been taken or omitted in such capacity, against all expenses (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred in connection with such action, suit or proceeding and any appeal therefrom, if such Indemnitee acted in good faith and in a manner he or she reasonably believed to be in, or not opposed to, our best interests, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, he or she had no reasonable cause to believe his or her conduct was unlawful. Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and our amended and restated bylaws, each as currently in effect, provide that we will indemnify any Indemnitee who was or is a party to an action or suit by or in the right of us to procure a judgment in our favor by reason of the fact that the Indemnitee is or was, or has agreed to become, a director or officer, or is or was serving, or has agreed to serve, at our request as a director, officer, partner, employee or trustee of, or in a similar capacity with, another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, or by reason of any action alleged to have been taken or omitted in such capacity, against all expenses (including attorneys' fees) and, to the extent permitted by law, amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred in connection with such action, suit or proceeding, and any appeal therefrom, if the Indemnitee acted in good faith and in a manner he or she reasonably believed to be in, or not opposed to, our best interests, except that no indemnification shall be made with respect to any claim, issue or matter as to which such person shall have been adjudged to be liable to us, unless a court determines that, despite such adjudication but in view of all of the circumstances, he or she is entitled to indemnification of such expenses. Notwithstanding the foregoing, to the extent that any Indemnitee has been successful, on the merits or otherwise, he or she will be indemnified by us against all expenses (including attorneys' fees) actually and reasonably incurred in connection therewith. Expenses must be advanced to an Indemnitee under certain circumstances.

We have entered into indemnification agreements with each of our directors and officers. These indemnification agreements may require us, among other things, to indemnify our directors and officers for some expenses, including attorneys' fees, judgments, fines and settlement amounts incurred by a director or officer in any action or proceeding arising out of his or her service as one of our directors or officers, or any of our subsidiaries or any other company or enterprise to which the person provides services at our request.

We maintain a general liability insurance policy that covers certain liabilities of directors and officers of our corporation arising out of claims based on acts or omissions in their capacities as directors or officers.

In any underwriting agreement we enter into in connection with the sale of common stock being registered hereby, the underwriters will agree to indemnify, under certain conditions, us, our directors, our officers and persons who control us within the meaning of the Securities Act, against certain liabilities.

Item 15. Recent Sales of Unregistered Securities.

Set forth below is information regarding unregistered securities issued by us since October 1, 2020 to the date of this registration statement. Also included is the consideration received by us for such securities and information relating to the section of the Securities Act, or rule of the SEC, under which exemption from registration was claimed.

(a) Issuances of Securities

1. In October 2020, we issued to investors an aggregate of 3,040,881 shares of Series D redeemable convertible preferred stock at a purchase price of \$0.8879 per share, for aggregate consideration of approximately \$2.7 million
2. In September 2022 and October 2022, we issued to investors an aggregate of 112,422,700 shares of Series E redeemable convertible preferred stock at a purchase price of \$1.0674 per share, for aggregate consideration of approximately \$120 million.

3. In July 2023, we issued to investors an aggregate of 81,587,937 shares of Series F redeemable convertible preferred stock at a purchase price of \$1.2872 per share, for aggregate consideration of approximately \$105 million.

No underwriters were involved in the foregoing issuances of securities. The securities described in this section (a) of Item 15 were issued to investors in reliance upon the exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act, as set forth in Section 4(a)(2) under the Securities Act and Regulation D promulgated thereunder, for transactions by an issuer not involving any public offering, to the extent an exemption from such registration was required. All holders of securities described above represented to us in connection with their purchase or issuance that they were accredited investors and were acquiring the securities for their own account for investment purposes only and not with a view to, or for sale in connection with, any distribution thereof and that they could bear the risks of the investment and could hold the securities for an indefinite period of time. The holders received written disclosures that the securities had not been registered under the Securities Act and that any resale must be made pursuant to a registration statement or an available exemption from such registration.

(b) Grants of Stock Options

1. From October 1, 2020 through the date of this registration statement, we granted stock options to purchase an aggregate of 5,945,478 shares of our common stock at a weighted-average exercise price of \$4.05 per share, to certain of our employees, consultants and directors in connection with services provided to us by such persons. 708,733 of these options have been exercised and 214,935 have been cancelled, forfeited and expired through the date of this registration statement.

The stock options and common stock issuable upon exercise of such options as described in this section (b) of Item 15 were issued pursuant to written compensatory plans or arrangements with our employees and directors, in reliance on the exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act provided by Rule 701 promulgated under the Securities Act or the exemption set forth in Section 4(a)(2) under the Securities Act and Regulation D promulgated thereunder relative to transactions by an issuer not involving any public offering. All recipients either received adequate information about us or had access, through employment or other relationships, to such information.

All of the foregoing securities are deemed restricted securities for purposes of the Securities Act. All certificates representing the issued shares of capital stock described in this Item 15 included appropriate legends setting forth that the securities had not been registered and the applicable restrictions on transfer.

Item 16. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules.

- (c) **Exhibits.** See Exhibit Index attached to this registration statement, which is incorporated by reference herein.
- (d) **Financial Statement Schedules.** Schedules not listed above have been omitted because the information required to be set forth therein is not applicable or is shown in the financial statements or notes thereto.

Item 17. Undertakings.

The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes to provide to the underwriters, at the closing specified in the underwriting agreement, certificates in such denominations and registered in such names as required by the underwriters to permit prompt delivery to each purchaser.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the SEC such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the

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Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

The undersigned hereby undertakes that:

- (1) For purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, the information omitted from the form of prospectus filed as part of this registration statement in reliance upon Rule 430A and contained in a form of prospectus filed by the registrant pursuant to Rule 424(b)(1) or (4) or 497(h) under the Securities Act shall be deemed to be part of this registration statement as of the time it was declared effective.
- (2) For the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each post-effective amendment that contains a form of prospectus shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Exhibit Index</u> <u>Description of Exhibit</u>
1.1	Form of Underwriting Agreement
3.1	Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation, as amended (currently in effect)
3.2*	Bylaws (currently in effect)
3.3	Form of Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (to be effective immediately prior to the closing of this offering)
3.4*	Form of Amended and Restated Bylaws (to be effective immediately prior to the closing of this offering)
4.1	Specimen stock certificate evidencing the shares of common stock
4.2	Amended and Restated Investors' Rights Agreement, dated July 28, 2023, as amended, by and among the Registrant and certain of its stockholders
5.1	Opinion of Latham & Watkins LLP
10.1#*	CG Oncology, Inc. 2015 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended, and form of stock grant agreement and form of stock option agreement thereunder
10.2#*	CG Oncology, Inc. 2022 Incentive Award Plan, as amended, and form of stock option agreement, form of stock option agreement (early exercise) and form of restricted stock unit agreement thereunder
10.3#	CG Oncology, Inc. 2024 Incentive Award Plan and form of stock option agreement and form of restricted stock unit agreement thereunder
10.4#	CG Oncology, Inc. 2024 Employee Stock Purchase Plan
10.5#	Non-Employee Director Compensation Program
10.6†*	Development and License Agreement, dated March 11, 2019, between the Lepu Biotech Co., Ltd. and the Registrant
10.7†*	License and Collaboration Agreement, dated March 26, 2020, between Kissei Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. and the Registrant
10.8†*	First Amendment to the License and Collaboration Agreement, dated September 15, 2022, between Kissei Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. and the Registrant
10.9#*	Form of Indemnification Agreement for Directors and Officers
10.10#*	Policy for the Recovery of Erroneously Awarded Compensation
10.11#*	Annual Bonus Plan
10.12#*	Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, effective March 15, 2023, between Arthur Kuan and the Registrant
10.13#*	Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, effective December 13, 2023, between Arthur Kuan and the Registrant
10.14#*	Employment Agreement, effective July 9, 2023, between Ambaw Bellete and the Registrant
10.15#*	Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, effective December 13, 2023, between Ambaw Bellete and the Registrant
10.16#*	Employment Agreement, effective August 14, 2023, between Vijay Kasturi and the Registrant
10.17#*	Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, effective December 13, 2023, between Vijay Kasturi and the Registrant

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Description of Exhibit

10.18#	Employment Agreement, effective January 16, 2024, between Corleen Roche and the Registrant
23.1	Consent of Ernst & Young LLP, independent registered public accounting firm
23.2	Consent of Latham & Watkins LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1)
24.1*	Power of Attorney (included on signature page)
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* Previously filed.

Indicates management contract or compensatory plan.

† Portions of this exhibit (indicated by asterisks) have been omitted pursuant to Item 601 of Regulation S-K because it is both not material and is the type that the registrant treats as private or confidential.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Irvine, State of California, on this 18th day of January, 2024.

CG ONCOLOGY, INC.

By: /s/ Arthur Kuan

Arthur Kuan
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities held on the dates indicated.

<u>Signature</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
<u>/s/ Arthur Kuan</u> Arthur Kuan	Chairman and Chief Executive Officer (principal executive officer)	January 18, 2024
<u>/s/ Corleen Roche</u> Corleen Roche	Chief Financial Officer (principal financial and accounting officer)	January 18, 2024
<u>*</u> Susan Graf	Director	January 18, 2024
<u>*</u> Brian Liu, M.D.	Director	January 18, 2024
<u>*</u> James J. Mulé, IPh.D.	Director	January 18, 2024
<u>*</u> Leonard Post, Ph.D.	Director	January 18, 2024
<u>*</u> Simone Song	Director	January 18, 2024
<u>*</u> Victor Tong, Jr.	Director	January 18, 2024

By: /s/ Arthur Kuan
Arthur Kuan
Attorney-in-fact

[•] Shares

CG ONCOLOGY, INC.
COMMON STOCK, PAR VALUE \$0.0001 PER SHARE

UNDERWRITING AGREEMENT

[•], 2024

Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC
Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC
Cantor Fitzgerald & Co.

c/o Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC
1585 Broadway
New York, New York 10036

c/o Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC
200 West Street
New York, New York 10282

c/o Cantor Fitzgerald & Co.
110 East 59th Street
New York, New York 10022

Ladies and Gentlemen:

CG Oncology, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the “**Company**”), proposes, subject to terms and conditions stated in this agreement (this “**Agreement**”), to issue and sell to the several Underwriters named in Schedule I hereto (the “**Underwriters**”), for whom Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC, Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC and Cantor Fitzgerald & Co. are acting as representatives (the “**Representatives**”), [•] shares of its common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share (the “**Firm Shares**”). The Company also proposes to issue and sell to the several Underwriters not more than an additional [•] shares of its common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share (the “**Additional Shares**”), if and to the extent that the Representatives shall have determined to exercise, on behalf of the Underwriters, the right to purchase such shares of common stock granted to the Underwriters in Section 2 hereof. The Firm Shares and the Additional Shares are hereinafter collectively referred to as the “**Shares**.” The shares of common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share, of the Company to be outstanding after giving effect to the sales contemplated hereby are hereinafter referred to as the “**Common Stock**.” In the event that the Company has no subsidiaries, or only one subsidiary, then all references herein to “subsidaries” of the Company shall be deemed to refer to no subsidiary, or such single subsidiary, *mutatis mutandis*.

The Company has filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “**Commission**”) a registration statement on Form S-1 (File No. 333-276350), including a preliminary prospectus, relating to the Shares. The registration statement as amended at the time it becomes effective, including the information (if any) deemed to be part of the registration statement at the time of effectiveness pursuant to Rule 430A under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “**Securities Act**”), is hereinafter referred to as

the “**Registration Statement**”; the prospectus in the form first used to confirm sales of Shares (or in the form first made available to the Underwriters by the Company to meet requests of purchasers pursuant to Rule 173 under the Securities Act) is hereinafter referred to as the “**Prospectus**.” If the Company has filed an abbreviated registration statement to register additional shares of Common Stock pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act (a “**Rule 462 Registration Statement**”), then any reference herein to the term “**Registration Statement**” shall be deemed to include such Rule 462 Registration Statement.

For purposes of this Agreement, “**free writing prospectus**” has the meaning set forth in Rule 405 under the Securities Act, “**preliminary prospectus**” shall mean each prospectus used prior to the effectiveness of the Registration Statement, and each prospectus that omitted information pursuant to Rule 430A under the Securities Act that was used after such effectiveness and prior to the execution and delivery of this Agreement, “**Time of Sale Prospectus**” means the preliminary prospectus contained in the Registration Statement at the time of its effectiveness together with the documents and pricing information set forth in Schedule II hereto, and “**broadly available road show**” means a “bona fide electronic road show” as defined in Rule 433(h)(5) under the Securities Act that has been made available without restriction to any person. As used herein, the terms “Registration Statement,” “preliminary prospectus,” “Time of Sale Prospectus” and “Prospectus” shall include the documents, if any, incorporated by reference therein as of the date hereof.

1. *Representations and Warranties.* The Company represents and warrants to and agrees with each of the Underwriters that:

(a) The Registration Statement has become effective; no stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement is in effect, and no proceedings for such purpose or pursuant to Section 8A under the Securities Act are pending before or, to the Company’s knowledge, threatened by the Commission.

(b) (i) The Registration Statement, when it became effective, did not contain and, as amended or supplemented, if applicable, as of the date of such amendment or supplement, will not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, (ii) the Registration Statement and the Prospectus comply and, as amended or supplemented, if applicable, as of the date of such amendment or supplement, will comply in all material respects with the Securities Act and the applicable rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder, (iii) the Time of Sale Prospectus does not, and at the time of each sale of the Shares in connection with the offering when the Prospectus is not yet available to prospective purchasers and at the Closing Date (as defined in Section 4), the Time of Sale Prospectus, as then amended or supplemented by the Company, if applicable, will not, contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, (iv) each

broadly available road show, if any, when considered together with the Time of Sale Prospectus, does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading and (v) the Prospectus, as of its date, does not contain and, as amended or supplemented, if applicable, as of the date of such amendment or supplement, will not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, except that the representations and warranties set forth in this paragraph do not apply to statements or omissions in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Prospectus or the Prospectus based upon information relating to any Underwriter furnished to the Company in writing by such Underwriter through the Representatives expressly for use therein.

(c) The Company is not an “ineligible issuer” in connection with the offering pursuant to Rules 164, 405 and 433 under the Securities Act. Any free writing prospectus that the Company is required to file pursuant to Rule 433(d) under the Securities Act has been, or will be, filed with the Commission in accordance with the requirements of the Securities Act and the applicable rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder. Each free writing prospectus that the Company has filed, or is required to file, pursuant to Rule 433(d) under the Securities Act or that was prepared by or on behalf of or used or referred to by the Company complies or will comply, as of the date of such filing, in all material respects with the applicable requirements of the Securities Act and the applicable rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder. Except for the free writing prospectuses, if any, identified in Schedule II hereto, and electronic road shows, if any, each furnished to the Representatives before first use, the Company has not prepared, used or referred to, and will not, without the prior consent of the Representatives, prepare, use or refer to, any free writing prospectus.

(d) The Company has been duly incorporated, is validly existing as a corporation in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its incorporation, has the corporate power and authority to own or lease its property and to conduct its business as described in each of the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Prospectus and the Prospectus and is duly qualified to transact business and is in good standing in each jurisdiction in which the conduct of its business or its ownership or leasing of property requires such qualification, except to the extent that the failure to be so qualified or be in good standing would not, singly or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the Company and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole.

(e) The Company has no subsidiaries and does not, directly or indirectly, own any capital stock or other equity or ownership or proprietary interest in any corporation, partnership, association, trust or other entity.

(f) This Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company.

(g) The authorized capital stock of the Company conforms as to legal matters, in all material respects, to the description thereof contained in each of the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Prospectus and the Prospectus.

(h) The shares of Common Stock outstanding prior to the issuance of the Shares have been duly authorized and are validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable.

(i) The Shares have been duly authorized and, when issued, delivered and paid for in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, will be validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable, and the issuance of the Shares will not be subject to any preemptive or similar rights that have not been validly waived.

(j) With respect to the stock options granted pursuant to the stock-based compensation plans of the Company and its subsidiaries (the “**Company Stock Plans**”), (i) each grant of a stock option was duly authorized no later than the date on which the grant of such stock option was by its terms to be effective by all necessary corporate action, including, as applicable, approval by the board of directors of the Company (or a duly constituted and authorized committee thereof) and any required stockholder approval by the necessary number of votes or written consents, and the award agreement governing such grant (if any) was duly executed and delivered by each party thereto, and (ii) each such grant was made in accordance with the terms of the Company Stock Plans, and all applicable laws and regulatory rules or requirements, including all applicable federal securities laws.

(k) The execution and delivery by the Company of, and the performance by the Company of its obligations under, this Agreement will not contravene (i) any provision of applicable law, (ii) the certificate of incorporation or by-laws of the Company, (iii) any agreement or other instrument binding upon the Company or any of its subsidiaries that is material to the Company and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole, or (iv) any judgment, order or decree of any governmental body, agency or court having jurisdiction over the Company or any subsidiary, except in this case of clauses (i), (iii) and (iv), where such contravention would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the Company, and no consent, approval, authorization or order of, or qualification with, any governmental body, agency or court is required for the performance by the Company of its obligations under this Agreement, except such as have been obtained or waived or as may be required by the securities or Blue Sky laws of the various states or foreign jurisdictions or the rules and regulations of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (“**FINRA**”) in connection with the offer and sale of the Shares.

(l) There has not occurred any material adverse change, or any development involving a prospective material adverse change, in the condition, financial or otherwise, or in the earnings, business or operations of the Company and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole, from that set forth in the Time of Sale Prospectus.

(m) Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries is (i) in violation of its respective certificate of incorporation or bylaws; (ii) in default, and no event has occurred that, with notice or lapse of time or both, would constitute such a default, in the due performance or observance of any term, covenant or condition contained in any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, loan agreement or other agreement or instrument to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries is a party or by which the Company or any of its subsidiaries is bound or to which any of the property or assets of the Company or any of its subsidiaries is subject; or (iii) in violation of any law or statute or any judgment, order, rule or regulation of any court or arbitrator or governmental or regulatory authority applicable to the Company, any of its subsidiaries or their respective businesses and properties, except, in the case of clauses (ii) and (iii) above, for any such default or violation that would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a material adverse effect on the Company and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole.

(n) There are no legal or governmental proceedings pending or, to the Company's knowledge, threatened to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries is a party or to which any of the properties of the Company or any of its subsidiaries is subject (i) other than proceedings accurately described in all material respects in each of the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Prospectus and the Prospectus and proceedings that would not, singly or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the Company and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole, or on the power or ability of the Company to perform its obligations under this Agreement or to consummate the transactions contemplated by each of the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Prospectus and the Prospectus or (ii) that are required to be described in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Prospectus or the Prospectus and are not so described in all material respects; and there are no statutes, regulations, contracts or other documents to which the Company is subject or by which the Company is bound that are required to be described in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Prospectus or the Prospectus or to be filed as exhibits to the Registration Statement that are not described in all material respects or filed as required.

(o) Each preliminary prospectus filed as part of the Registration Statement as originally filed or as part of any amendment thereto, or filed pursuant to Rule 424 under the Securities Act, complied when so filed in all material respects with the applicable requirements of the Securities Act and the applicable rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder.

(p) The Company is not, and after giving effect to the offering and sale of the Shares and the application of the proceeds thereof as described in each of the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Prospectus and the Prospectus will not be, required to register as an "investment company" as such term is defined in the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

(q) The Company and each of its subsidiaries (i) are in compliance with any and all applicable foreign, federal, state and local laws and regulations relating to the protection of human health and safety, the environment or hazardous or toxic substances or wastes, pollutants or contaminants (“**Environmental Laws**”), (ii) has received all permits, licenses or other approvals required of them under applicable Environmental Laws to conduct their respective businesses and (iii) is in compliance with all terms and conditions of any such permit, license or approval, except where such noncompliance with Environmental Laws, failure to receive required permits, licenses or other approvals or failure to comply with the terms and conditions of such permits, licenses or approvals would not, singly or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the Company and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole.

(r) There are no costs or liabilities associated with Environmental Laws (including, without limitation, any capital or operating expenditures required for clean-up, closure of properties or compliance with Environmental Laws or any permit, license or approval, any related constraints on operating activities and any potential liabilities to third parties) which would, singly or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the Company and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole.

(s) There are no contracts, agreements or understandings between the Company and any person granting such person the right to require the Company to file a registration statement under the Securities Act with respect to any securities of the Company or to require the Company to include such securities with the Shares registered pursuant to the Registration Statement, except as otherwise have been validly waived in connection with the issuance and sale of the Shares contemplated hereby and as described in the Time of Sale Prospectus and the Prospectus.

(t) (i) None of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates, or any director, officer, or employee thereof, nor, to the Company’s knowledge, any agent or representative of the Company or of any of its subsidiaries or controlled affiliates, has taken or will take any action in furtherance of an offer, payment, promise to pay, or authorization or approval of the payment, giving or receipt of money, property, gifts or anything else of value, directly or indirectly, to any government official (including any officer or employee of a government or government-owned or controlled entity or of a public international organization, or any person acting in an official capacity for or on behalf of any of the foregoing, or any political party or party official or candidate for political office) (“**Government Official**”) in order to influence official action, or to any person in violation of any applicable anti-corruption laws; (ii) the Company and each of its subsidiaries and each of its controlled affiliates has conducted their businesses in

compliance with applicable anti-corruption laws and have instituted and maintained and will continue to maintain policies and procedures reasonably designed to promote and achieve compliance with such laws and with the representations and warranties contained herein; and (iii) neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries will use, directly or indirectly, the proceeds of the offering in furtherance of an offer, payment, promise to pay, or authorization of the payment or giving of money, or anything else of value, to any person in violation of any applicable anti-corruption laws.

(u) The operations of the Company and each of its subsidiaries are and have been conducted at all times in material compliance with all applicable financial recordkeeping and reporting requirements, including those of the Bank Secrecy Act, as amended by Title III of the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (USA PATRIOT Act), and the applicable anti-money laundering statutes of jurisdictions where the Company and each of its subsidiaries conduct business, the rules and regulations thereunder and any related or similar rules, regulations or guidelines, issued, administered or enforced by any governmental agency (collectively, the “**Anti-Money Laundering Laws**”), and no action, suit or proceeding by or before any court or governmental agency, authority or body or any arbitrator involving the Company or any of its subsidiaries with respect to the Anti-Money Laundering Laws is pending or, to the best knowledge of the Company, threatened.

(v) (i) None of the Company, any of its subsidiaries, or any director, officer, or employee thereof, or, to the Company’s knowledge, any agent, controlled affiliate or representative of the Company or any of its subsidiaries, is an individual or entity (“**Person**”) that is, or is owned or controlled by one or more Persons that are:

(A) the subject of any sanctions administered or enforced by the U.S. Department of the Treasury’s Office of Foreign Assets Control, the United Nations Security Council, the European Union, His Majesty’s Treasury, or other relevant sanctions authority (collectively, “**Sanctions**”), or

(B) located, organized or resident in a country or territory that is the subject of Sanctions (including, without limitation, Crimea, Cuba, Iran, North Korea, Syria, and the Donetsk People’s Republic and Luhansk People’s Republic located in Ukraine).

(ii) The Company will not, directly or indirectly, use the proceeds of the offering, or lend, contribute or otherwise make available such proceeds to any subsidiary, joint venture partner or other Person:

(A) to fund or facilitate any activities or business of or with any Person or in any country or territory that, at the time of such funding or facilitation, is the subject of Sanctions; or

(B) in any other manner that will result in a violation of Sanctions by any Person (including any Person participating in the offering, whether as underwriter, advisor, investor or otherwise).

(iii) The Company and each of its subsidiaries have not knowingly engaged in, are not now knowingly engaged in, and will not engage in, any dealings or transactions with any Person, or in any country or territory, that at the time of the dealing or transaction is or was the subject of Sanctions.

(w) Subsequent to the respective dates as of which information is given in each of the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Prospectus and the Prospectus, (i) the Company and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole, have not incurred any material liability or obligation, direct or contingent, nor entered into any material transaction; (ii) the Company has not purchased any of its outstanding capital stock (other than from its employees or other service providers in connection with the termination of their service pursuant to the terms of the equity compensation plans or agreements described in the Time of Sale Prospectus), nor declared, paid or otherwise made any dividend or distribution of any kind on its capital stock other than ordinary and customary dividends; and (iii) there has not been any material change in the capital stock, short-term debt or long-term debt of the Company and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole, except in each case as described in each of the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Prospectus and the Prospectus, respectively.

(x) The Company and each of its subsidiaries have good and marketable title in fee simple to all real property and good and marketable title to all personal property owned by them which is material to the business of the Company and its subsidiaries, in each case free and clear of all liens, encumbrances and defects except such as do not materially affect the value of such property and do not materially interfere with the use made and proposed to be made of such property by the Company and its subsidiaries; and any real property and buildings held under lease by the Company and its subsidiaries are held by them under valid, subsisting and enforceable leases with such exceptions as are not material and do not interfere with the use made and proposed to be made of such property and buildings by the Company and its subsidiaries.

(y) To the Company's knowledge, the Company and its subsidiaries own or have valid and enforceable licenses or other rights to practice and use all technology, patents and patent applications, copyrights, trademarks, trademark registrations, service marks, service mark registrations, trade names, service names and know-how (including trade secrets and other unpatented and/or unpatentable proprietary or confidential information, systems or procedures) and all other technology and intellectual property rights necessary for or used in the conduct of the business of the Company and its subsidiaries (including as described in the Time of Sale Prospectus and the Prospectus (collectively, the "**Company Intellectual Property**"). Except as disclosed in the Time of Sale Prospectus and the Prospectus, (i) to the Company's knowledge, the conduct of the Company's and its subsidiaries' respective business and the proposed conduct of its business (including the development and commercialization of the product candidates described in the Time of Sale Prospectus and the Prospectus) has not and will not infringe or misappropriate any intellectual property rights of others; (ii) to the Company's knowledge, there are no ownership rights of third parties to any of the Company Intellectual Property owned by the Company or any of its subsidiaries, and such Company Intellectual Property is owned by the Company free and clear of all liens, security interests, or encumbrances; (iii) the registered patents, trademarks and copyrights held or licensed by the Company and its subsidiaries included within the Company Intellectual Property are subsisting, and, to the Company's knowledge, valid and enforceable, and the patent, trademark, and copyright applications included within the Company Intellectual Property are subsisting and have not been abandoned, except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a material adverse effect on the Company; (iv) to the Company's knowledge, there is no infringement by third parties of any of the Company Intellectual Property; (v) no action, suit, claim or other proceeding is pending or threatened in writing alleging that the Company or any of its subsidiaries is infringing, misappropriating, diluting or otherwise violating, or would, upon the commercialization of any product or service proposed in the Time of Sale Prospectus and the Prospectus as under development, infringe, misappropriate, dilute, or otherwise violate any rights of others with respect to any of the Company's product candidates, processes or Company Intellectual Property; (vi) no action, suit, claim or other proceeding is pending, or is threatened in writing, challenging the validity, enforceability, scope, registration, ownership or use of any Company Intellectual Property; (vii) the Company has not received written notice of any claim of infringement, misappropriation or conflict with any asserted rights of others with respect to any of the Company's products, proposed products, processes or Company Intellectual Property; (viii) to the Company's knowledge, no employee, consultant or independent contractor of the Company or any of its subsidiaries ("**Company Personnel**") is in or has ever been in violation in any respect of any term of any employment contract, patent disclosure agreement, invention assignment agreement, non-competition agreement, non-solicitation agreement, or nondisclosure agreement it has with the Company; (ix) the Company has taken commercially reasonable measures to protect its confidential information and trade secrets and to maintain and safeguard the Company Intellectual Property, including the execution of appropriate nondisclosure and confidentiality agreements; (x) the Company and its subsidiaries have complied with the material terms of each material agreement pursuant to which material intellectual property has been licensed to the Company or any of its subsidiaries, and all such

agreements are in full force and effect; (xi) to the Company's knowledge, none of the Company Intellectual Property has been obtained or is being used by the Company in violation of any contractual obligation binding on the Company; (xii) to the Company's knowledge, the use of the product candidates described in the Time of Sale Prospectus and the Prospectus as under development by the Company fall within the scope of the claims of one or more patents or patent applications owned by, or exclusively licensed to, the Company; and (xiii) to the Company's knowledge, the duties of candor and good faith required by the United States Patent and Trademark Office during the prosecution of the United States patents and patent applications included in the Company Intellectual Property have been complied with.

(z) Except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a material adverse effect on the Company and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole, (A) each Plan (as defined below) has been maintained in compliance with its terms and the requirements of any applicable statutes, orders, rules and regulations, including but not limited to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("**ERISA**") and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "**Code**"); (B) no non-exempt prohibited transaction, within the meaning of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code, has occurred with respect to any Plan; (C) for each Plan, no failure to satisfy the minimum funding standards (within the meaning of Section 412 of the Code or Section 302 of ERISA), whether or not waived, has occurred or is reasonably expected to occur; (D) no "reportable event" (within the meaning of Section 4043(c) of ERISA, other than those events as to which notice is waived) has occurred or is reasonably expected to occur with respect to any Plan that is a "Pension Plan" (within the meaning of Section 3(2) of ERISA) (together with any multiemployer plan within the meaning of Section 4001(a)(3) of ERISA, a "**Pension Plan**"); and (E) neither the Company nor any member of its "Controlled Group" (defined as any entity, whether or not incorporated, that is under common control with the Company within the meaning of Section 4001(a)(14) of ERISA or any entity that would be regarded as a single employer with the Company under Section 414(b), (c), (m) or (o) of the Code) has incurred, nor is reasonably expected to incur, any liability under Title IV of ERISA (other than contributions to any Plan or any Pension Plan or premiums to the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, in the ordinary course and without default) with respect to the termination of, withdrawal from or failure to make required contributions to, any Pension Plan. For purposes of this paragraph, (x) the term "Plan" means an employee benefit plan, within the meaning of Section 3(3) of ERISA, subject to Title IV of ERISA, for which the Company has any liability (whether absolute or contingent).

(aa) Except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a material adverse effect on the Company, no labor dispute with the employees of the Company or any of its subsidiaries exists, or, to the knowledge of the Company, is imminent; and the Company is not aware of any existing, threatened or imminent labor disturbance by the employees of any of its principal suppliers, manufacturers or contractors that would, singly or in the aggregate, have a material adverse effect on the Company and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole.

(bb) The Company and each of its subsidiaries are insured by insurers of recognized financial responsibility against such losses and risks and in such amounts as in the Company's reasonable judgment are prudent and customary in the businesses in which they are engaged; neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has been refused any insurance coverage sought or applied for; and neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has any reason to believe that it will not be able to renew its existing insurance coverage as and when such coverage expires or to obtain similar coverage from similar insurers as may be necessary to continue its business at a cost that would not, singly or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the Company and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole.

(cc) The Company and each of its subsidiaries possess all certificates, authorizations and permits issued by the appropriate federal, state or foreign regulatory authorities necessary to conduct their respective businesses, and neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has received any notice of proceedings relating to the revocation or modification of any such certificate, authorization or permit which, singly or in the aggregate, if the subject of an unfavorable decision, ruling or finding, would have a material adverse effect on the Company and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole.

(dd) The financial statements included in each of the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Prospectus and the Prospectus, together with the related schedules and notes thereto, comply as to form in all material respects with the applicable accounting requirements of the Securities Act and present fairly in all material respects the consolidated financial position of the Company and its subsidiaries as of the dates shown and its results of operations and cash flows for the periods shown, and such financial statements have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States ("U.S. GAAP") applied on a consistent basis throughout the periods covered thereby except for any normal year-end adjustments in the Company's quarterly financial statements. The other financial information included in each of the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Prospectus and the Prospectus has been derived from the accounting records of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries and presents fairly in all material respects the information shown thereby.

(ee) [Reserved].

(ff) Ernst & Young LLP, which has expressed its opinion and certified certain of the financial statements of the Company filed with the Commission as part of the Registration Statement and included in each of the Time of Sale Prospectus and the Prospectus, is an independent registered public accounting firm with respect to the Company and its subsidiaries within the applicable rules and regulations adopted by the Commission and the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) and as required by the Securities Act.

(gg) The Company and each of its subsidiaries maintain a system of internal accounting controls sufficient to provide reasonable assurance that (i) transactions are executed in accordance with management's general or specific authorizations; (ii) transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP and to maintain asset accountability; (iii) access to assets is permitted only in accordance with management's general or specific authorization; and (iv) the recorded accountability for assets is compared with the existing assets at reasonable intervals and appropriate action is taken with respect to any differences. Since the end of the Company's most recent audited fiscal year, there has been (i) no material weakness in the Company's internal control over financial reporting (whether or not remediated) and (ii) no change in the Company's internal control over financial reporting that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

(hh) The statistical, industry and market related data included in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Prospectus and the Prospectus are based on or derived from sources that the Company believes, after reasonable inquiry, to be reliable and accurate. To the Company's knowledge, after reasonable investigation, it does not require the consent of any third party for the use of any such data.

(ii) To the extent required under applicable rules, the Company maintains disclosure controls and procedures that comply with the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "**Exchange Act**"); such disclosure controls and procedures have been designed to ensure that material information relating to the Company and its subsidiaries is made known to the Company's principal executive officer and principal financial officer by others within those entities; and such disclosure controls and procedures are effective.

(jj) Except as described in the Time of Sale Prospectus and the Registration Statement, the Company has not sold, issued or distributed any shares of Common Stock during the six-month period preceding the date hereof, including any sales pursuant to Rule 144A under, or Regulation D or S of, the Securities Act, other than shares issued pursuant to employee benefit plans, equity incentive plans or other employee compensation plans or pursuant to outstanding options, rights or warrants.

(kk) The Company and each of its subsidiaries have filed all federal, state, local and foreign tax returns required to be filed through the date of this Agreement or have requested extensions thereof (except where the failure to file would not, singly or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the Company and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole) and have

paid all taxes required to be paid thereon or pursuant to any assessment received by the Company and its subsidiaries (except for cases in which the failure to file or pay would not, singly or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the Company and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole, or, except as currently being contested in good faith and for which reserves required by U.S. GAAP have been established in the financial statements of the Company), and no tax deficiency has been determined adversely to the Company or any of its subsidiaries which, singly or in the aggregate, has had (nor does the Company nor any of its subsidiaries have any notice or knowledge of any tax deficiency which could reasonably be expected to be determined adversely to the Company or its subsidiaries and which could reasonably be expected to have) a material adverse effect on the Company and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole.

(ll) The Company has taken all necessary actions to ensure that, upon the effectiveness of the Registration Statement, it will be in compliance with all provisions of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, as amended (the “**Sarbanes-Oxley Act**”), and all rules and regulations promulgated thereunder applicable to the Company at such time, and is taking steps designed to ensure that it will be in compliance, at all times, with the other provisions of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act when they become applicable to the Company after the effectiveness of the Registration Statement.

(mm) The Company has not taken, directly or indirectly, any action designed to, or that would reasonably be expected to, cause or result in any stabilization or manipulation of the price of the Shares.

(nn) From the time of initial confidential submission of the Registration Statement to the Commission through the date hereof, the Company has been and is an “emerging growth company,” as defined in Section 2(a) of the Securities Act (an “**Emerging Growth Company**”).

(oo) The Company (i) has not alone engaged in any Testing-the-Waters Communication with any person other than Testing-the-Waters Communications with the consent of the Representatives with entities that are reasonably believed to be qualified institutional buyers within the meaning of Rule 144A under the Securities Act or institutions that are reasonably believed to be accredited investors within the meaning of Rule 501 under the Securities Act and (ii) has not authorized anyone other than the Representatives to engage in Testing-the-Waters Communications. The Company reconfirms that the Representatives have been authorized to act on its behalf in undertaking Testing-the-Waters Communications. The Company has not distributed any Testing-the-Waters Communication that is a written communication within the meaning of Rule 405 under the Securities Act other than those listed on Schedule III hereto. “**Testing-the-Waters Communication**” means any communication with potential investors undertaken in reliance on Section 5(d) or Rule 163B of the Securities Act.

(pp) As of the time of each sale of the Shares in connection with the offering when the Prospectus is not yet available to prospective purchasers, none of (A) the Time of Sale Prospectus, (B) any free writing prospectus, when considered together with the Time of Sale Prospectus, and (C) any individual Testing-the-Waters Communication, when considered together with the Time of Sale Prospectus, included, includes or will include an untrue statement of a material fact or omitted, omits or will omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.

(qq) The preclinical tests and clinical trials, and other studies (collectively, “**Studies**”) conducted or sponsored by the Company or in which the Company has participated with respect to its product candidate that are described in, or the results of which are referred to in, the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Prospectus or the Prospectus were and, if still pending, are being conducted in all material respects in accordance with all applicable Health Care Laws and any other applicable rules or regulations to which they are subject; each description of the results of such Studies is accurate in all material respects, and the Company has no knowledge of any other Studies the results of which are inconsistent with, or otherwise call into question, the results described or referred to in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Prospectus or the Prospectus; the Company has made all such filings and obtained all such approvals or authorizations as may be required by the Food and Drug Administration (the “**FDA**”) of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services or from any other U.S. or foreign government or drug regulatory agency, or health care facility Institutional Review Board for the conduct of such Studies (collectively, the “**Regulatory Agencies**”), except where the failure to make such filing or obtain such approval would not reasonably be expected to, individually or in the aggregate, result in a material adverse effect on the Company; the Company has not received any written notice of, or written correspondence from, any Regulatory Agency requiring the termination or suspension of any Studies currently being conducted or proposed to be conducted by or on behalf of the Company, nor is the Company aware of any reasonable grounds for such written notice or correspondence.

(rr) The Company and to the Company’s knowledge, its directors, officers, employees, and agents, are and at all relevant times have been, in compliance with all applicable Health Care Laws except where such non-compliance would not reasonably be expected to, individually or in the aggregate, result in a material adverse effect on the Company. For purposes of this Agreement, “**Health Care Laws**” means: (i) the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. §§ 301 et seq.), the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. §§ 201 et seq.) and the regulations promulgated thereunder; (ii) all federal, state, local and all foreign health care related fraud and abuse laws, including, without limitation, the U.S. Anti-Kickback Statute (42 U.S.C. §1320a-7b(b)), the U.S. False Statements Law (42 U.S.C. §1320a-7b(a)), the Civil Monetary Penalties Law (42 U.S.C. §1320a-7a), the U.S. Civil False Claims Act (31 U.S.C.

§3729 et seq.), all criminal laws relating to health care fraud and abuse, including but not limited to 18 U.S.C. §§ 286 and 287, and the health care fraud criminal provisions under the U.S. Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (“HIPAA”) (42 U.S.C. §§ 1320d et seq.), the Physician Payments Sunshine Act (42 U.S.C. §1320a-7h), the exclusions law (42 U.S.C. §1320a-7), the statutes and regulations of applicable government funded or sponsored healthcare programs, including but not limited to the Medicare (Title XVIII of the Social Security Act) and Medicaid (Title XIX of the Social Security Act); (iii) licensure, quality, safety and accreditation requirements enforced by applicable governmental authorities; and (iv) any and all other comparable health care laws and regulations applicable to the ownership, testing, development, manufacture, packaging, processing, use, distribution, marketing, advertising, labeling, promotion, sale, offer for sale, storage, import, export or disposal of any product manufactured or distributed by the Company. The Company has not received written notice of any claim, action, suit, proceeding, hearing, enforcement, investigation, arbitration or other action from any court or arbitrator or governmental or regulatory authority or third party alleging that any product, operation, or activity is in material violation of any applicable Health Care Laws, and, to the Company’s knowledge, no such claim, action, suit, proceeding, hearing, enforcement, investigation, arbitration or other action is threatened. The Company is not a party to any corporate integrity agreements, monitoring agreements, consent decrees, settlement orders, or similar agreements with or imposed by any governmental or regulatory authority. Additionally, neither the Company nor any of the Company’s employees, officers, directors, contractors or, to the Company’s knowledge, any of its agents, is or has been excluded, suspended or debarred from participation in any U.S. federal health care program or human clinical research or, to the knowledge of the Company, is subject to a governmental inquiry, investigation, proceeding, or other similar action that could reasonably be expected to result in debarment, suspension, or exclusion, or engaged in any conduct that would reasonably be expected to result in debarment, suspension, or exclusion. Except as not reasonably be expected to, individually or in the aggregate, result in a material adverse effect on the Company, the Company has filed, obtained, maintained or submitted all reports, documents, forms, notices, applications, records, claims, submissions and supplements or amendments as required by any applicable Health Care Laws, and all such reports, documents, forms, notices, applications, records, claims, submissions and supplements or amendments were timely, complete, accurate and not misleading on the date filed in all respects (or were corrected or supplemented by a subsequent submission). Except in each case as would not reasonably be expected to, individually or in the aggregate, result in a material adverse effect on the Company (A) possesses and is in compliance with all licenses, certificates, approvals, clearances, exemptions, authorizations, permits and supplements or amendments thereto required by any applicable Health Care Laws, (B) has fulfilled and performed all of its obligations with respect to all such licenses, sublicenses, certificates, permits and other authorizations, and (C) to the Company’s knowledge, no event has occurred which allows, or after notice or lapse of time would allow, revocation or termination thereof or results in any other impairment of the rights of the holder.

(ss) The Company: (A) is and at all relevant times has been in material compliance with all applicable Health Care Laws enforced by the FDA and other comparable governmental entities (“**Applicable Laws**”) except where such non-compliance would not reasonably be expected to, individually or in the aggregate, result in a material adverse effect on the Company; (B) has not received any FDA Form 483, written notice of adverse finding, warning letter, untitled letter or other written correspondence or written notice from the FDA or any governmental entity alleging or asserting material noncompliance with any Applicable Laws or any licenses, certificates, approvals, clearances, exemptions, authorizations, permits and supplements or amendments thereto required by any such Applicable Laws (“**Authorizations**”); (C) possesses all Authorizations, such Authorizations are valid and in full force and effect and the Company is not in violation of any term of any such Authorizations except as would not reasonably be expected to, individually or in the aggregate, result in a material adverse effect on the Company; (D) has not received written notice of any claim, action, suit, proceeding, hearing, enforcement, investigation, arbitration or other action from the FDA or any governmental entity or third party alleging that any product operation or activity is in material violation of any Applicable Laws or Authorizations and has no knowledge that the FDA or any comparable governmental entity or third party has threatened any such claim, litigation, arbitration, action, suit, investigation or proceeding, which in each case, if determined adversely to the Company, would reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the Company; (E) has not received written notice that the FDA or any governmental entity has taken, is taking or intends to take action to limit, suspend, modify or revoke any material Authorizations and has no knowledge that the FDA or any governmental entity has threatened such action except where such limitation, suspension, modification or revocation would not reasonably be expected to, individually or in the aggregate, result in a material adverse effect on the Company; and (F) except as would not reasonably be expected to, individually or in the aggregate, result in a material adverse effect on the Company, has filed, obtained, maintained or submitted all reports, documents, forms, notices, applications, records, claims, submissions and supplements or amendments as required by any Applicable Laws or Authorizations and all such reports, documents, forms, notices, applications, records, claims, submissions and supplements or amendments were complete and correct on the date filed (or were corrected or supplemented by a subsequent submission).

(tt) The Company is, and at all relevant times has been, in material compliance with applicable data privacy and security laws and regulations (the “**Data Protection Laws**”), contractual obligations, or binding industry standards regarding the collection, use, transfer, storage, processing, protection, disposal or disclosure (collectively, “**Process**” or “**Processing**”) of Personal Data (defined below), sensitive, confidential, or regulated data (collectively “**Sensitive Data**”), including, to the extent applicable, the European Union General Data Protection

Regulation (“**GDPR**”) (EU 2016/679), HIPAA as amended by the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act (“**HITECH**”) and the regulations implemented thereunder, and the California Consumer Privacy Act (“**CCPA**”) of 2018 (collectively, the “**Privacy and Security Obligations**”). “**Personal Data**” has the same meaning as the term “personal data,” “personal information,” “protected health information,” or the equivalent under applicable Data Protection Laws. To ensure compliance with the Privacy and Security Obligations, the Company has in place, complies with, and takes appropriate steps designed to ensure compliance with their policies and procedures relating to data privacy and security and the Processing of Personal Data (the “Policies”). To the extent required by Data Protection Laws, the Company has contractually required third parties Processing Personal Data on behalf of the Company to comply with applicable Privacy and Security Obligations. The Company has not received written notice of any actual or potential liability under or relating to, or actual or potential violation of, any of the Privacy and Security Obligations, and, is not (i) currently conducting or paying for, in whole or in part, any investigation, remediation, or other corrective action pursuant to any Privacy and Security Obligation; or (ii) a party to any order, decree, or agreement that imposes any obligation or liability under any Privacy and Security Obligation.

(uu) Except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect: (i) the Company’s information technology assets and equipment, computers, technology systems and other systems, networks, hardware, software, websites, applications, and databases (collectively, “**IT Systems**”) operate and perform as required in connection with the operation of the business of the Company as currently conducted, and are free and clear of all material bugs, errors, defects, Trojan horses, time bombs, malware and other malicious code, (ii) the Company has implemented and maintained commercially reasonable physical, technical and administrative controls, policies, procedures, and safeguards designed to maintain and protect the integrity, continuous operation, redundancy and security of all IT Systems (including all Sensitive Data) used in connection with the operation of the Company, (iii) the Company has established commercially reasonable disaster recovery and security plans, procedures and facilities for the business, including, without limitation, for the IT Systems and Sensitive Data and (iv) during the past three (3) years, there have been no security breaches, outages or unauthorized uses of or accesses to the Sensitive Data or IT Systems.

2. Agreements to Sell and Purchase. The Company hereby agrees to sell to the several Underwriters, and each Underwriter, upon the basis of the representations and warranties herein contained, but subject to the terms and conditions hereinafter stated, agrees, severally and not jointly, to purchase from the Company the respective numbers of Firm Shares set forth in Schedule I hereto opposite its name at \$[•] a share (the “**Purchase Price**”).

On the basis of the representations and warranties contained in this Agreement, and subject to its terms and conditions, the Company agrees to sell to the Underwriters the Additional Shares, and the Underwriters shall have the right to purchase, severally and not jointly, up to [•] Additional Shares at the Purchase Price, provided, however, that the amount paid by the Underwriters for any Additional Shares shall be reduced by an amount per share equal to any dividends declared by the Company and payable on the Firm Shares but not payable on such Additional Shares. The Representatives may exercise this right on behalf of the Underwriters in whole or from time to time in part by giving written notice not later than 30 days after the date of this Agreement. Any exercise notice shall specify the number of Additional Shares to be purchased by the Underwriters and the date on which such shares are to be purchased. Each purchase date must be at least one business day after the written notice is given and may not be earlier than the closing date for the Firm Shares or later than ten business days after the date of such notice. Additional Shares may be purchased as provided in Section 4 hereof solely for the purpose of covering over-allotments made in connection with the offering of the Firm Shares. On each day, if any, that Additional Shares are to be purchased (an “**Option Closing Date**”), each Underwriter agrees, severally and not jointly, to purchase the number of Additional Shares (subject to such adjustments to eliminate fractional shares as the Representatives may determine) that bears the same proportion to the total number of Additional Shares to be purchased on such Option Closing Date as the number of Firm Shares set forth in Schedule I hereto opposite the name of such Underwriter bears to the total number of Firm Shares.

3. *Terms of Public Offering.* The Company is advised by the Representatives that the Underwriters propose to make a public offering of their respective portions of the Shares as soon after the Registration Statement and this Agreement have become effective as in the judgment of the Representatives is advisable. The Company is further advised by the Representatives that the Shares are to be offered to the public initially at \$[•] a share (the “**Public Offering Price**”) and to certain dealers selected by the Representatives at a price that represents a concession not in excess of \$[•] a share under the Public Offering Price, and that any Underwriter may allow, and such dealers may reallow, a concession, not in excess of \$[•] a share, to any Underwriter or to certain other dealers.

4. *Payment and Delivery.* Payment for the Firm Shares shall be made to the Company in Federal or other funds immediately available in New York City against delivery of such Firm Shares for the respective accounts of the several Underwriters at 10:00 a.m., New York City time, on [•], 2024, or at such other time on the same or such other date, not later than [•], 2024, as shall be designated in writing by the Representatives. The time and date of such payment are hereinafter referred to as the “**Closing Date**.”

Payment for any Additional Shares shall be made to the Company in Federal or other funds immediately available in New York City against delivery of such Additional Shares for the respective accounts of the several Underwriters at 10:00 a.m., New York City time, on the date specified in the corresponding notice described in Section 2 or at such other time on the same or on such other date, in any event not later than [•], 2024, as shall be designated in writing by the Representatives.

The Firm Shares and Additional Shares shall be registered in such names and in such denominations as Morgan Stanley shall request not later than one full business day prior to the Closing Date or the applicable Option Closing Date, as the case may be. The Firm Shares and Additional Shares shall be delivered to Morgan Stanley on the Closing Date or an Option Closing Date, as the case may be, for the respective accounts of the several Underwriters, with any transfer taxes payable in connection with the transfer of the Shares to the Underwriters duly paid, against payment of the Purchase Price therefor.

5. Conditions to the Underwriters' Obligations. The obligations of the Company to sell the Shares to the Underwriters and the several obligations of the Underwriters to purchase and pay for the Shares on the Closing Date are subject to the condition that the Registration Statement shall have become effective not later than [5:00 p.m.] (New York City time) on the date hereof.

The several obligations of the Underwriters are subject to the following further conditions:

(a) Subsequent to the execution and delivery of this Agreement and prior to the Closing Date:

(i) no order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement shall be in effect, and no proceeding for such purpose or pursuant to Section 8A under the Securities Act shall be pending before or threatened by the Commission;

(ii) there shall not have occurred any downgrading, nor shall any notice have been given of any intended or potential downgrading or of any review for a possible change that does not indicate the direction of the possible change, in the rating accorded any of the securities of the Company or any of its subsidiaries by any "nationally recognized statistical rating organization," as such term is defined in Section 3(a)(62) of the Exchange Act; and

(iii) there shall not have occurred any change, or any development involving a prospective change, in the condition, financial or otherwise, or in the earnings, business or operations of the Company and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole, from that set forth in the Time of Sale Prospectus that, in the judgment of the Representatives, is material and adverse and that makes it, in the judgment of the Representatives, impracticable to market the Shares on the terms and in the manner contemplated in the Time of Sale Prospectus.

(b) The Underwriters shall have received on the Closing Date a certificate, dated the Closing Date and signed by an executive officer of the Company, to the effect set forth in Sections 5(a)(i) and 5(a)(ii) above and to the effect that the representations and warranties of the Company contained in this Agreement are true and correct as of the Closing Date and that the Company has complied with all of the agreements and satisfied all of the conditions on its part to be performed or satisfied hereunder on or before the Closing Date.

The officer signing and delivering such certificate may rely upon the best of his or her knowledge as to proceedings threatened.

(c) The Underwriters shall have received on the Closing Date an opinion and negative assurance letter of Latham & Watkins LLP, outside counsel for the Company, dated the Closing Date, in the form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Representatives.

(d) The Underwriters shall have received on the Closing Date an opinion and negative assurance letter of Cooley LLP, counsel for the Underwriters, dated the Closing Date, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Underwriters.

(e) The Underwriters shall have received on the Closing Date an opinion of Morrison & Foerster LLP, intellectual property counsel for the Company, dated the Closing Date, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Underwriters.

With respect to Sections 5(c) and (d) above, Latham & Watkins LLP and Cooley LLP may state that their opinions and beliefs are based upon their participation in the preparation of the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Prospectus and the Prospectus and any amendments or supplements thereto and review and discussion of the contents thereof, but are without independent check or verification, except as specified.

The opinion and negative assurance letter of Latham & Watkins LLP described in Section 5(c) above shall be rendered to the Underwriters at the request of the Company and shall so state therein.

(f) The Underwriters shall have received, on each of the date hereof and the Closing Date, a letter dated the date hereof or the Closing Date, as the case may be, in form and substance satisfactory to the Underwriters, from Ernst & Young LLP, independent registered public accounting firm, containing statements and information of the type ordinarily included in accountants' "comfort letters" to underwriters with respect to the financial statements and certain financial information contained in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Prospectus and the Prospectus; *provided* that the letter delivered on the Closing Date shall use a "cut-off date" not earlier than the date hereof.

(g) The "lock-up" agreements, each substantially in the form of Exhibit A hereto, executed by substantially all securityholders, and all officers and directors of the Company relating to restrictions on sales and certain other dispositions of shares of Common Stock or certain other securities, delivered to the Representatives on or before the date hereof (the "**Lock-up Agreements**"), shall be in full force and effect on the Closing Date.

(h) The chief financial officer of the Company shall have delivered to the Underwriters, on each of the date hereof and on the Closing Date, a certificate in a form reasonably acceptable to the Representatives.

(i) The several obligations of the Underwriters to purchase Additional Shares hereunder are subject to the delivery to the Representatives on the applicable Option Closing Date of the following:

(i) a certificate, dated the Option Closing Date and signed by an executive officer of the Company, confirming that the certificate delivered on the Closing Date pursuant to Section 5(b) hereof remains true and correct as of such Option Closing Date;

(ii) an opinion and negative assurance letter of Latham & Watkins LLP, outside counsel for the Company, dated the Option Closing Date, relating to the Additional Shares to be purchased on such Option Closing Date and otherwise to the same effect as the opinion required by Section 5(c) hereof;

(iii) an opinion and negative assurance letter of Cooley LLP, counsel for the Underwriters, dated the Option Closing Date, relating to the Additional Shares to be purchased on such Option Closing Date and otherwise to the same effect as the opinion required by Section 5(d) hereof;

(iv) a letter dated the Option Closing Date, in form and substance satisfactory to the Underwriters, from Ernst & Young LLP, independent registered public accounting firm, substantially in the same form and substance as the letter furnished to the Underwriters pursuant to Section 5(f) hereof; *provided* that the letter delivered on the Option Closing Date shall use a "cut-off date" not earlier than two business days prior to such Option Closing Date;

(v) an opinion of Morrison & Foerster LLP, intellectual property counsel for the Company, dated the Option Closing Date, relating to the Additional Shares to be purchased on such Option Closing Date and otherwise to the same effect as the opinion required by Section 5(e) hereof;

(vi) a certificate, dated the Option Closing Date and signed by the chief financial officer of the Company substantially in the same form and substance as the letter furnished to the Underwriters pursuant to Section 5(h) hereof; and

(vii) such other documents as the Representatives may reasonably request with respect to the good standing of the Company, the due authorization and issuance of the Additional Shares to be sold on such Option Closing Date and other matters related to the issuance of such Additional Shares.

6. *Covenants of the Company.* The Company covenants with each Underwriter as follows:

(a) To furnish to the Representatives, upon written request, without charge, five signed copies of the Registration Statement (including exhibits thereto) and for delivery to each other Underwriter a conformed copy of the Registration Statement (without exhibits thereto) and to furnish to the Representatives in New York City, without charge, prior to 10:00 a.m. New York City time on the business day next succeeding the date of this Agreement and during the period mentioned in Section 6(e) or 6(f) below, as many copies of the Time of Sale Prospectus, the Prospectus and any supplements and amendments thereto or to the Registration Statement as the Representatives may reasonably request.

(b) Before amending or supplementing the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Prospectus or the Prospectus, to furnish to the Representatives a copy of each such proposed amendment or supplement and not to file any such proposed amendment or supplement to which the Representatives reasonably object in writing, and to file with the Commission within the applicable period specified in Rule 424(b) under the Securities Act any prospectus required to be filed pursuant to such Rule.

(c) To furnish to the Representatives a copy of each proposed free writing prospectus to be prepared by or on behalf of, used by, or referred to by the Company and not to use or refer to any proposed free writing prospectus to which the Representatives reasonably object.

(d) Not to take any action that would result in an Underwriter or the Company being required to file with the Commission pursuant to Rule 433(d) under the Securities Act a free writing prospectus prepared by or on behalf of the Underwriter that the Underwriter otherwise would not have been required to file thereunder.

(e) If the Time of Sale Prospectus is being used to solicit offers to buy the Shares at a time when the Prospectus is not yet available to prospective purchasers and any event shall occur or condition exist as a result of which it is necessary to amend or supplement the Time of Sale Prospectus in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, or if any event shall occur or condition exist as a result of which the Time of Sale Prospectus conflicts with the information contained in the Registration Statement then on file, or if, in the opinion of counsel for the Underwriters, it is necessary to amend or supplement the Time of Sale Prospectus to comply with applicable law, forthwith to prepare, file with the Commission and furnish, at its own expense, to the Underwriters and to any dealer upon request,

either amendments or supplements to the Time of Sale Prospectus so that the statements in the Time of Sale Prospectus as so amended or supplemented will not, in the light of the circumstances when the Time of Sale Prospectus is delivered to a prospective purchaser, be misleading or so that the Time of Sale Prospectus, as amended or supplemented, will no longer conflict with the Registration Statement, or so that the Time of Sale Prospectus, as amended or supplemented, will comply with applicable law.

(f) If, during such period after the first date of the public offering of the Shares as in the opinion of counsel for the Underwriters the Prospectus (or in lieu thereof the notice referred to in Rule 173(a) of the Securities Act) is required by law to be delivered in connection with sales by an Underwriter or dealer, any event shall occur or condition exist as a result of which it is necessary to amend or supplement the Prospectus in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances when the Prospectus (or in lieu thereof the notice referred to in Rule 173(a) of the Securities Act) is delivered to a purchaser, not misleading, or if, in the opinion of counsel for the Underwriters, it is necessary to amend or supplement the Prospectus to comply with applicable law, forthwith to prepare, file with the Commission and furnish, at its own expense, to the Underwriters and to the dealers (whose names and addresses the Representatives will furnish to the Company) to which Shares may have been sold by the Representatives on behalf of the Underwriters and to any other dealers upon request, either amendments or supplements to the Prospectus so that the statements in the Prospectus as so amended or supplemented will not, in the light of the circumstances when the Prospectus (or in lieu thereof the notice referred to in Rule 173(a) of the Securities Act) is delivered to a purchaser, be misleading or so that the Prospectus, as amended or supplemented, will comply with applicable law.

(g) To endeavor to qualify the Shares for offer and sale under the securities or Blue Sky laws of such jurisdictions as the Representatives shall reasonably request, *provided* that the Company shall not be required to (i) qualify as a foreign corporation or other entity as a deal in securities in any such jurisdiction where it would not otherwise be required to so qualify, (ii) file any general consent to service of process in any such jurisdiction or (iii) subject itself to taxation in any such jurisdiction if it is not otherwise so subject.

(h) To make generally available (which may be satisfied by filing with the Commission on its Electronic Data Gathering, Analysis and Retrieval System) to the Company's security holders and to the Representatives as soon as practicable an earnings statement covering a period of at least twelve months beginning with the first fiscal quarter of the Company occurring after the date of this Agreement which shall satisfy the provisions of Section 11(a) of the Securities Act and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder.

(i) Whether or not the transactions contemplated in this Agreement are consummated or this Agreement is terminated, to pay or cause to be paid all expenses incident to the performance of its obligations under this Agreement, including: (i) the fees, disbursements and expenses of the Company's counsel and the Company's accountants in connection with the registration and delivery of the Shares under the Securities Act and all other fees or expenses in connection with the preparation and filing of the Registration Statement, any preliminary prospectus, the Time of Sale Prospectus, the Prospectus, any free writing prospectus prepared by or on behalf of, used by, or referred to by the Company and amendments and supplements to any of the foregoing, including all printing costs associated therewith, and the mailing and delivering of copies thereof to the Underwriters and dealers, in the quantities hereinabove specified, (ii) all costs and expenses related to the transfer and delivery of the Shares to the Underwriters, including any transfer or other taxes payable thereon, (iii) the cost of printing or producing any Blue Sky or Legal Investment memorandum in connection with the offer and sale of the Shares under state securities laws and all expenses in connection with the qualification of the Shares for offer and sale under state securities laws as provided in Section 6(g) hereof, including filing fees and the reasonable fees and disbursements of counsel for the Underwriters in connection with such qualification and in connection with the Blue Sky or Legal Investment memorandum, (iv) all filing fees and the reasonable fees and disbursements of counsel to the Underwriters incurred in connection with the review and qualification of the offering of the Shares by FINRA (provided that fees and expenses of counsel pursuant to clauses (iii) and (iv) above shall not, in the aggregate, exceed \$40,000), (v) all fees and expenses in connection with the preparation and filing of the registration statement on Form 8-A relating to the Common Stock and all costs and expenses incident to listing the Shares on the Nasdaq Global Market, (vi) the cost of printing certificates representing the Shares, (vii) the costs and charges of any transfer agent, registrar or depository, (viii) the costs and expenses of the Company relating to investor presentations on any "road show" undertaken in connection with the marketing of the offering of the Shares, including, without limitation, expenses associated with the preparation or dissemination of any electronic road show, expenses associated with the production of road show slides and graphics, fees and expenses of any consultants engaged in connection with the road show presentations with the prior approval of the Company, travel and lodging expenses of the representatives and officers of the Company and any such consultants, and 50% of the cost of any aircraft chartered in connection with the road show with the remaining 50% of the cost of such aircraft to be paid by the Underwriters, (ix) the document production charges and expenses associated with printing this Agreement and (x) all other costs and expenses incident to the performance of the obligations of the Company hereunder for which provision is not otherwise made in this Section. It is understood, however, that except as provided in this Section, Section 8 entitled "Indemnity and Contribution" and the last paragraph of Section 10 below, the Underwriters will pay all of their costs and expenses, including fees and disbursements of their counsel, stock transfer taxes payable on resale of any of the Shares by them and any advertising expenses connected with any offers they may make, and all travel and other expenses of the Underwriters or any of their employees incurred by them in connection with participation in investor presentations on any "road show" undertaken in connection with the marketing of the offering of the Shares; *provided* the last sentence of this Section 6(i) does not include the cost of any chartered aircraft, which shall be paid 50% by the Company as described above in clause (viii).

(j) The Company will promptly notify the Representatives if the Company ceases to be an Emerging Growth Company at any time prior to the later of (a) completion of the distribution of the Shares within the meaning of the Securities Act and (b) completion of the Restricted Period (as defined in this Section 6).

(k) If at any time following the distribution of any Testing-the-Waters Communication that is a written communication within the meaning of Rule 405 under the Securities Act there occurred or occurs an event or development as a result of which such Testing-the-Waters Communication included or would include an untrue statement of a material fact or omitted or would omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances existing at that subsequent time, not misleading, the Company will promptly notify the Representatives and will promptly amend or supplement, at its own expense, such Testing-the-Waters Communication to eliminate or correct such untrue statement or omission.

(l) The Company will deliver to each Underwriter (or its agent), on the date of execution of this Agreement, a properly completed and executed Certification Regarding Beneficial Owners of Legal Entity Customers, together with copies of identifying documentation, and the Company undertakes to provide such additional supporting documentation as each Underwriter may reasonably request in connection with the verification of the foregoing Certification.

The Company also covenants with each Underwriter that, without the prior written consent of Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC and Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC, it will not, and will not publicly disclose an intention to, during the period ending 180 days after the date of the Prospectus (the “**Restricted Period**”) (1) offer, pledge, sell, contract to sell, sell any option or contract to purchase, purchase any option or contract to sell, grant any option, right or warrant to purchase, lend, or otherwise transfer or dispose of, directly or indirectly, any shares of Common Stock or any securities convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for shares of Common Stock, (2) enter into any hedging, swap or other arrangement that transfers to another, in whole or in part, any of the economic consequences of ownership of the shares of Common Stock, whether any such transaction described in clause (1) or (2) above is to be settled by delivery of shares of Common Stock or such other securities, in cash or otherwise, or (3) confidentially submit any draft registration statement or file any registration statement with the Commission relating to the offering of any shares of Common Stock or any securities convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for Common Stock.

The restrictions contained in the preceding paragraph shall not apply to (a) the Shares to be sold hereunder, (b) the issuance by the Company of shares of Common Stock upon the exercise of an option or warrant or the conversion of a security outstanding on the date hereof as described in each of the Time of Sale Prospectus and Prospectus, (c) grants of compensatory equity-based awards, and/or the issuance of shares of Common Stock or securities with respect thereto, made pursuant to compensatory equity-based plans as described in the Time of Sale Prospectus, provided that the Company shall cause each recipient of such grant to execute and deliver to the Representatives an agreement substantially in the form of Exhibit A hereto if such recipient has not already delivered one, (d) the reacquisition or withholding of all or a portion of shares of Common Stock subject to a stock award to satisfy a tax withholding obligation of the Company in connection with the vesting or exercise of such stock award or to satisfy the purchase price or exercise price of such stock award, (e) the filing of a registration of Form S-8 to register shares of Common Stock issuable pursuant to any employee benefit plans, qualified stock option plans or other employee compensation plans, described in the Time of Sale Prospectus, (f) any shares of Common Stock issuable pursuant to any non-employee director stock compensation plan or program described in the Time of Sale Prospectus, (g) shares of Common Stock or any securities convertible into, or exercisable or exchangeable for, shares of Common Stock, or the entrance into an agreement to issue shares of Common Stock or any securities convertible into, or exercisable or exchangeable for, shares of Common Stock, in connection with any merger, joint venture, strategic alliances, commercial or other collaborative transaction or the acquisition or licenses of the business, property, technology or other assets of another individual or entity or the assumption of an employee benefit plan in connection with a merger or acquisition; *provided* that the aggregate number of shares of Common Stock or any other securities convertible into, or exercisable or exchangeable for, shares of Common Stock that the Company may issue or agree to issue pursuant to this clause (g) shall not exceed 10% of the total outstanding share capital of the Company immediately following the issuance of the Shares; and provided further, that the recipients of any such shares of Common Stock and securities issued pursuant to this clause (g) during the 180-day restricted period described above shall enter into an agreement substantially in the form of Exhibit A hereto on or prior to such issuance or (h) facilitating the establishment of a trading plan on behalf of a shareholder, officer or director of the Company pursuant to Rule 10b5-1 under the Exchange Act for the transfer of shares of Common Stock, *provided* that (i) such plan does not provide for the transfer of shares of Common Stock during the Restricted Period and (ii) to the extent a public announcement or filing under the Exchange Act, if any, is required of or voluntarily made by the Company regarding the establishment of such plan, such announcement or filing shall include a statement to the effect that no transfer of shares of Common Stock may be made under such plan during the Restricted Period.

If Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC and Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC, in their sole discretion, agree to release or waive the restrictions on the transfer of Shares set forth in a Lock-up Agreement for an officer or director of the Company and provide the Company with notice of the impending release or waiver at least three business days before the effective date of the release or waiver, the Company agrees to announce the impending release or waiver by a press release substantially in the form of Exhibit B hereto through a major news service at least two business days before the effective date of the release or waiver.

During the Restricted Period, the Company will enforce all agreements between the Company and any of its securityholders that restrict or prohibit, expressly or in operation, the offer, sale or transfer of any shares of Common Stock or any securities convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for Common Stock or any of the other actions restricted or prohibited under the terms of the form of Lock-up Agreement. In addition, the Company will direct the transfer agent to place stop transfer restrictions upon any such securities of the Company that are bound by such "lock-up" agreements for the duration of the periods contemplated in such agreements, including, without limitation, "lock-up" agreements entered into by the Company's officers, directors and securityholders pursuant to Section 5(g) hereof.

7. *Covenants of the Underwriters.* Each Underwriter severally and not jointly, covenants with the Company not to take any action that would result in the Company being required to file with the Commission under Rule 433(d) a free writing prospectus prepared by or on behalf of such Underwriter that otherwise would not be required to be filed by the Company thereunder, but for the action of the Underwriter.

8. *Indemnity and Contribution.* (a) The Company agrees to indemnify and hold harmless each Underwriter, each person, if any, who controls any Underwriter within the meaning of either Section 15 of the Securities Act or Section 20 of the Exchange Act and each affiliate of any Underwriter within the meaning of Rule 405 under the Securities Act from and against any and all losses, claims, damages and liabilities (including, without limitation, any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred in connection with defending or investigating any such action or claim) that arise out of, or are based upon, any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in the Registration Statement or any amendment thereof, any preliminary prospectus, the Time of Sale Prospectus or any amendment or supplement thereto, any issuer free writing prospectus as defined in Rule 433(h) under the Securities Act, any Company information that the Company has filed, or is required to file, pursuant to Rule 433(d) under the Securities Act, any road show as defined in Rule 433(h) under the Securities Act (a “**road show**”), the Prospectus or any amendment or supplement thereto, or any Testing-the-Waters Communication, or arise out of, or are based upon, any omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, except insofar as such losses, claims, damages or liabilities arise out of, or are based upon, any such untrue statement or omission or alleged untrue statement or omission made in reliance upon and in conformity with any information relating to any Underwriter furnished to the Company in writing by such Underwriter through the Representatives expressly for use therein, it being understood and agreed that the only such information furnished by the Underwriters through the Representatives consists of the information described as such in paragraph (b) below. The Company agrees and confirms that references to “affiliates” of Morgan Stanley that appear in this Agreement shall be understood to include Mitsubishi UFJ Morgan Stanley Securities Co., Ltd.

(b) Each Underwriter agrees, severally and not jointly, to indemnify and hold harmless the Company, its directors, its officers who sign the Registration Statement and each person, if any, who controls the Company within the meaning of either Section 15 of the Securities Act or Section 20 of the Exchange Act to the same extent as the foregoing indemnity from the Company to such Underwriter, but only with reference to information relating to such Underwriter furnished to the Company in writing by such Underwriter through the Representatives expressly for use in the Registration Statement, any preliminary prospectus, the Time of Sale Prospectus, any issuer free writing prospectus, road show or the Prospectus or any amendment or supplement thereto, it being understood and agreed that the only such information furnished by any Underwriter through the Representatives consists of the following information in the Prospectus: the concession figure in the [•] paragraph and the information set forth in the [•] and [•] paragraphs, in each case under the caption “Underwriting” (the “**Underwriting Information**”).

(c) In case any proceeding (including any governmental investigation) shall be instituted involving any person in respect of which indemnity may be sought pursuant to Section 8(a) or 8(b), such person (the “**indemnified party**”) shall promptly notify the person against whom such indemnity may be sought (the “**indemnifying party**”) in writing and the indemnifying party, upon request of the indemnified party, shall retain counsel reasonably satisfactory to the indemnified party to represent the indemnified party and any others the indemnifying party may designate in such proceeding and shall pay the reasonably incurred fees and disbursements of such counsel related to such proceeding. In any such proceeding, any indemnified party shall have the right to retain its own counsel, but the fees and expenses of such counsel shall be at the expense of such indemnified party unless (i) the indemnifying party and the indemnified party shall have mutually agreed to the retention of such counsel or (ii) the named parties to any such proceeding (including any impleaded parties) include both the indemnifying party and the indemnified party and representation of both parties by the same counsel would be inappropriate due to actual or potential differing interests between them. It is understood that the indemnifying party shall not, in respect of the legal expenses of any indemnified party in connection with any proceeding or related proceedings in the same jurisdiction, be liable for the fees and expenses of more than one separate firm (in addition to any local counsel) for all such indemnified parties and that all such fees and expenses shall be reimbursed as they are incurred. Such firm shall be designated in writing by the Representatives, in the case of parties indemnified pursuant to Section 8(a), and by the Company, in the case of parties indemnified pursuant to Section 8(b). The indemnifying party shall not be liable for any settlement of any proceeding effected without its written consent, but if settled with such consent or if there be a final judgment for the plaintiff, the indemnifying party agrees to indemnify the indemnified party from and against any loss or liability by reason of such settlement or judgment. Notwithstanding the foregoing sentence, if at any time an indemnified party shall have requested an indemnifying party to reimburse the indemnified party for fees and expenses of counsel as contemplated by the second and third sentences of this paragraph, the indemnifying party agrees that it shall be liable for any settlement of any proceeding effected without its written consent if (i) such settlement is entered into more than 60 days after receipt by such indemnifying party of the aforesaid request and (ii) such indemnifying party shall not have reimbursed the indemnified party in accordance with such request prior to the date of such settlement. No indemnifying party shall, without the prior written consent of the indemnified party, effect any settlement of any pending or threatened proceeding in respect of which any indemnified party is or could have been a party and indemnity could have been sought hereunder by such indemnified party, unless such settlement (i) includes an unconditional release of such indemnified party from all liability on claims that are the subject matter of such proceeding and (ii) does not include a statement as to or an admission of fault, culpability or a failure to act by or on behalf of any indemnified party.

(d) To the extent the indemnification provided for in Section 8(a) or 8(b) is unavailable to an indemnified party or insufficient in respect of any losses, claims, damages or liabilities referred to therein, then each indemnifying party under such paragraph, in lieu of indemnifying such indemnified party thereunder, shall contribute to the amount paid or payable by such indemnified party as a result of such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (i) in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the relative benefits received by the Company on the one hand and the Underwriters on the other hand from the offering of the Shares or (ii) if the allocation provided by clause 8(d)(i) above is not permitted by applicable law, in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect not only the relative benefits referred to in clause 8(d)(i) above but also the relative fault of the Company on the one hand and of the Underwriters on the other hand in connection with the statements or omissions that resulted in such losses, claims, damages or liabilities, as well as any other relevant equitable considerations. The relative benefits received by the Company on the one hand and the Underwriters on the other hand in connection with the offering of the Shares shall be deemed to be in the same respective proportions as the net proceeds from the offering of the Shares (before deducting expenses) received by the Company and the total underwriting discounts and commissions received by the Underwriters, in each case as set forth in the table on the cover of the Prospectus, bear to the aggregate Public Offering Price of the Shares. The relative fault of the Company on the one hand and the Underwriters on the other hand shall be determined by reference to, among other things, whether the untrue or alleged untrue statement of a material fact or the omission or alleged omission to state a material fact relates to information supplied by the Company or by the Underwriters and the parties' relative intent, knowledge, access to information and opportunity to correct or prevent such statement or omission. The Underwriters' respective obligations to contribute pursuant to this Section 8 are several in proportion to the respective number of Shares they have purchased hereunder, and not joint.

(e) The Company and the Underwriters agree that it would not be just or equitable if contribution pursuant to this Section 8 were determined by *pro rata* allocation (even if the Underwriters were treated as one entity for such purpose) or by any other method of allocation that does not take account of the equitable considerations referred to in Section 8(d). The amount paid or payable by an indemnified party as a result of the losses, claims, damages and liabilities referred to in Section 8(d) shall be deemed to include, subject to the limitations set forth above, any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by such indemnified party in connection with investigating or defending any such action or claim. Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section 8, no Underwriter shall be required to contribute any amount in excess of the amount by which the total price at which the Shares underwritten by it and distributed to the public were offered to the public exceeds the amount of any damages that such Underwriter has otherwise been required to pay by reason of such untrue or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission. No person guilty of fraudulent misrepresentation (within the meaning of Section 11(f) of the Securities Act) shall be entitled to contribution from any person who was not guilty of such fraudulent misrepresentation. The remedies provided for in this Section 8 are not exclusive and shall not limit any rights or remedies which may otherwise be available to any indemnified party at law or in equity.

(f) The indemnity and contribution provisions contained in this Section 8 and the representations, warranties and other statements of the Company contained in this Agreement shall remain operative and in full force and effect regardless of (i) any termination of this Agreement, (ii) any investigation made by or on behalf of any Underwriter, any person controlling any Underwriter or any affiliate of any Underwriter or by or on behalf of the Company, its officers or directors or any person controlling the Company and (iii) acceptance of and payment for any of the Shares.

9. *Termination.* The Underwriters may terminate this Agreement by notice given by the Representatives to the Company, if after the execution and delivery of this Agreement and prior to or on the Closing Date or any Option Closing Date, as the case may be, (i) trading generally shall have been suspended or materially limited on, or by, as the case may be, any of the New York Stock Exchange, the NYSE MKT, the Nasdaq Global Market, the Chicago Board of Options Exchange, the Chicago Mercantile Exchange or the Chicago Board of Trade or other relevant exchanges, (ii) trading of any securities of the Company shall have been suspended on any exchange or in any over-the-counter market, (iii) a material disruption in securities settlement, payment or clearance services in the United States or other relevant jurisdiction shall have occurred, (iv) any moratorium on commercial banking activities shall have been declared by Federal or New York State authorities or (v) there shall have occurred any outbreak or escalation of hostilities, or any change in financial markets or any calamity or crisis that, in the judgment of the Representatives, is material and adverse and which, singly or together with any other event specified in this clause (v), makes it, in the judgment of the Representatives, impracticable or inadvisable to proceed with the offer, sale or delivery of the Shares on the terms and in the manner contemplated in the Time of Sale Prospectus or the Prospectus.

10. *Effectiveness; Defaulting Underwriters.* This Agreement shall become effective upon the execution and delivery hereof by the parties hereto.

If, on the Closing Date or an Option Closing Date, as the case may be, any one or more of the Underwriters shall fail or refuse to purchase Shares that it has or they have agreed to purchase hereunder on such date, and the aggregate number of Shares which such defaulting Underwriter or Underwriters agreed but failed or refused to purchase is not more than one-tenth of the aggregate number of the Shares to be purchased on such date, the other Underwriters shall be obligated severally in the proportions that the number of Firm Shares set forth opposite their respective names in Schedule I bears to the aggregate number of Firm Shares set forth opposite the names of all such non-defaulting Underwriters, or in such other proportions as the Representatives may specify, to purchase the Shares which such defaulting Underwriter or Underwriters agreed but failed or refused to purchase on such date; *provided* that in no event shall the number of Shares that any Underwriter has agreed to purchase pursuant to this

Agreement be increased pursuant to this Section 10 by an amount in excess of one-ninth of such number of Shares without the written consent of such Underwriter. If, on the Closing Date, any Underwriter or Underwriters shall fail or refuse to purchase Firm Shares and the aggregate number of Firm Shares with respect to which such default occurs is more than one-tenth of the aggregate number of Firm Shares to be purchased on such date, and arrangements satisfactory to the Representatives and the Company for the purchase of such Firm Shares are not made within 36 hours after such default, this Agreement shall terminate without liability on the part of any non-defaulting Underwriter or the Company. In any such case either the Representatives or the Company shall have the right to postpone the Closing Date, but in no event for longer than seven days, in order that the required changes, if any, in the Registration Statement, in the Time of Sale Prospectus, in the Prospectus or in any other documents or arrangements may be effected. If, on an Option Closing Date, any Underwriter or Underwriters shall fail or refuse to purchase Additional Shares and the aggregate number of Additional Shares with respect to which such default occurs is more than one-tenth of the aggregate number of Additional Shares to be purchased on such Option Closing Date, the non-defaulting Underwriters shall have the option to (i) terminate their obligation hereunder to purchase the Additional Shares to be sold on such Option Closing Date or (ii) purchase not less than the number of Additional Shares that such non-defaulting Underwriters would have been obligated to purchase in the absence of such default. Any action taken under this paragraph shall not relieve any defaulting Underwriter from liability in respect of any default of such Underwriter under this Agreement.

If this Agreement shall be terminated by the Underwriters, or any of them, because of any failure or refusal on the part of the Company to comply with the terms or to fulfill any of the conditions of this Agreement, or if for any reason the Company shall be unable to perform its obligations under this Agreement other than by reason of a default by the Underwriters or following termination of this Agreement pursuant to clauses (i), (iii), (iv) or (v) of **Section 9**, the Company will reimburse the Underwriters or such Underwriters as have so terminated this Agreement with respect to themselves, severally, for all out-of-pocket expenses (including the reasonably incurred fees and disbursements of their counsel) reasonably incurred by such Underwriters in connection with this Agreement or the offering contemplated hereunder.

11. *Entire Agreement.* (a) This Agreement, together with any contemporaneous written agreements and any prior written agreements (to the extent not superseded by this Agreement) that relate to the offering of the Shares, represents the entire agreement between the Company and the Underwriters with respect to the preparation of any preliminary prospectus, the Time of Sale Prospectus, the Prospectus, the conduct of the offering, and the purchase and sale of the Shares.

(b) The Company acknowledges that in connection with the offering of the Shares: (i) the Underwriters have acted at arm's length, are not agents of, and owe no fiduciary duties to, the Company or any other person, (ii) the Underwriters owe the Company only those duties and obligations set forth in this Agreement, any contemporaneous written agreements and prior written agreements (to the extent not superseded by this Agreement), if any, and (iii) the

Underwriters may have interests that differ from those of the Company, and (iv) none of the activities of the Underwriters in connection with the transactions contemplated herein constitutes a recommendation, investment advice, or solicitation of any action by the Underwriters with respect to any entity or natural person. The Company waives to the full extent permitted by applicable law any claims it may have against the Underwriters arising from an alleged breach of fiduciary duty in connection with the offering of the Shares.

12. *Recognition of the U.S. Special Resolution Regimes.* (a) In the event that any Underwriter that is a Covered Entity becomes subject to a proceeding under a U.S. Special Resolution Regime, the transfer from such Underwriter of this Agreement, and any interest and obligation in or under this Agreement, will be effective to the same extent as the transfer would be effective under the U.S. Special Resolution Regime if this Agreement, and any such interest and obligation, were governed by the laws of the United States or a state of the United States.

(b) In the event that any Underwriter that is a Covered Entity or a BHC Act Affiliate of such Underwriter becomes subject to a proceeding under a U.S. Special Resolution Regime, Default Rights under this Agreement that may be exercised against such Underwriter are permitted to be exercised to no greater extent than such Default Rights could be exercised under the U.S. Special Resolution Regime if this Agreement were governed by the laws of the United States or a state of the United States.

For purposes of this Section a “**BHC Act Affiliate**” has the meaning assigned to the term “affiliate” in, and shall be interpreted in accordance with, 12 U.S.C. § 1841(k). “**Covered Entity**” means any of the following: (i) a “covered entity” as that term is defined in, and interpreted in accordance with, 12 C.F.R. § 252.82(b); (ii) a “covered bank” as that term is defined in, and interpreted in accordance with, 12 C.F.R. § 47.3(b); or (iii) a “covered FSI” as that term is defined in, and interpreted in accordance with, 12 C.F.R. § 382.2(b). “**Default Right**” has the meaning assigned to that term in, and shall be interpreted in accordance with, 12 C.F.R. §§ 252.81, 47.2 or 382.1, as applicable. “**U.S. Special Resolution Regime**” means each of (i) the Federal Deposit Insurance Act and the regulations promulgated thereunder and (ii) Title II of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and the regulations promulgated thereunder.

13. *Counterparts and Electronic Signatures.* This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, but all such counterparts shall together constitute one and the same Agreement. Electronic signatures complying with the New York Electronic Signatures and Records Act (N.Y. State Tech. §§ 301-309), as amended from time to time, or other applicable law will be deemed original signatures for purposes of this Agreement. Transmission by telecopy, electronic mail or other transmission method of an executed counterpart of this Agreement will constitute due and sufficient delivery of such counterpart.

14. *Applicable Law.* This Agreement, any claim, controversy or disputes arising under or related to this Agreement and any transaction contemplated by this Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the internal laws of the State of New York.

15. *Headings.* The headings of the sections of this Agreement have been inserted for convenience of reference only and shall not be deemed a part of this Agreement.

16. *Notices.* All communications hereunder shall be in writing and effective only upon receipt and if to the Underwriters shall be delivered, mailed or sent to the Representatives in care of Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC, 1585 Broadway, New York, New York 10036, Attention: Equity Syndicate Desk, with a copy to the Legal Department; Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC, 200 West Street, New York, New York 10282, Attention: Registration Department; or Cantor Fitzgerald & Co., 110 East 59th Street, New York, New York, 10022, Attention: General Counsel; and if to the Company shall be delivered, mailed or sent to CG Oncology, Inc., 400 Spectrum Center Drive, Suite 2040, Irvine, California 92618, Attention: Chief Executive Officer.

[Signature page follows.]

Very truly yours,

CG ONCOLOGY, INC.

By: _____
Name:
Title:

Accepted as of the date hereof

MORGAN STANLEY & CO. LLC
GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. LLC
CANTOR FITZGERALD & CO.

Acting severally on behalf of themselves and
the several Underwriters named in
Schedule I hereto.

Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC

By: _____
Name:
Title:

Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC

By: _____
Name:
Title:

Cantor Fitzgerald & Co.

By: _____
Name:
Title:

[Signature Page to Underwriting Agreement]

SCHEDULE I

<u>Underwriter</u>	<u>Number of Firm Shares To Be Purchased</u>
Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC	[•]
Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC	[•]
Cantor Fitzgerald & Co.	[•]
LifeSci Capital LLC	[•]
[•]	[•]
Total:	[•]

Time of Sale Prospectus

1. Preliminary Prospectus issued [•], 2024

2. Pricing Information:

Firm Shares: [•]

Additional Shares: [•]

Public Offering Price: \$[•] per share

Issuer Directed Allocation: The underwriters intend to make issuer directed allocations in the aggregate of [•] shares to certain investors.

Testing-the-Waters Communications

Testing-the-Waters Presentation dated November 10, 2023.

Testing-the-Waters Presentation dated December 4, 2023.

FORM OF LOCK-UP AGREEMENT

_____, 2024

Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC
Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC
Cantor Fitzgerald & Co.

c/o Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC
1585 Broadway
New York, New York 10036

c/o Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC
200 West Street
New York, New York 10282

c/o Cantor Fitzgerald & Co.
110 East 59th Street
New York, New York 10022

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The undersigned understands that Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC (“**Morgan Stanley**”), Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC (“**Goldman Sachs**”) and Cantor Fitzgerald & Co. LLC (“**Cantor**”) and together with Morgan Stanley and Goldman Sachs, the “**Representatives**”), as representatives of the several Underwriters, propose to enter into an Underwriting Agreement (the “**Underwriting Agreement**”) with CG Oncology, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the “**Company**”), providing for the public offering (the “**Public Offering**”) by the several Underwriters, including the Representatives (the “**Underwriters**”), of shares (the “**Shares**”) of the common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share, of the Company (the “**Common Stock**”).

To induce the Underwriters that may participate in the Public Offering to continue their efforts in connection with the Public Offering, the undersigned hereby agrees that, without the prior written consent of Morgan Stanley and Goldman Sachs on behalf of the Underwriters, it will not, and will not publicly disclose an intention to, during the period commencing on the date hereof and ending 180 days after the date of the final prospectus (the “**Restricted Period**”) relating to the Public Offering (the “**Prospectus**”), (1) offer, pledge, sell, contract to sell, sell any option or contract to purchase, purchase any option or contract to sell, grant any option, right or warrant to purchase, lend, or otherwise

transfer or dispose of, directly or indirectly, any shares of Common Stock beneficially owned (as such term is used in Rule 13d-3 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “**Exchange Act**”)), by the undersigned or any other securities so owned convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for Common Stock or (2) enter into any swap or other arrangement that transfers to another, in whole or in part, any of the economic consequences of ownership of the Common Stock, whether any such transaction described in clause (1) or (2) above is to be settled by delivery of Common Stock or such other securities, in cash or otherwise. The undersigned acknowledges and agrees that the foregoing precludes the undersigned from engaging in any hedging or other transactions designed or intended, or which could reasonably be expected to lead to or result in, a sale or disposition of any shares of Common Stock, or securities convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for Common Stock, even if any such sale or disposition transaction or transactions would be made or executed by or on behalf of someone other than the undersigned.

The foregoing paragraph shall not apply to:

(a) transactions relating to shares of Common Stock or other securities acquired in the Public Offering or in open market transactions after the completion of the Public Offering, *provided* that no filing under Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act or other public announcement shall be required or shall be voluntarily made during the Restricted Period in connection with subsequent sales of Common Stock or other securities acquired in the Public Offering or in such open market transactions;

(b) transfers of shares of Common Stock or any security convertible into Common Stock (i) as a bona fide gift, (ii) to an immediate family member (as defined below) or to any trust for the direct or indirect benefit of the undersigned or an immediate family member of the undersigned, (iii) to any corporation, partnership, limited liability company, investment fund, trust or other entity of which the undersigned and the immediate family of the undersigned are the legal and beneficial owner of all of the outstanding equity securities or similar interests, or (iv) by will, other testamentary document or intestate succession to the legal representative, heir, beneficiary or an immediate family member of the undersigned; *provided* that in the case of any transfer or distribution pursuant to this clause (b), (A) such transfer shall not involve a disposition for value, (B) each donee, distributee or transferee shall sign and deliver a lock-up agreement substantially in the form of this agreement and (C) no public disclosure or filing shall be made voluntarily during the Restricted Period, and to the extent a filing under Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act is required during the Restricted Period as a result of transfers made pursuant to this clause (b), it shall clearly indicate that the filing relates to the circumstances described in this clause (b), including that the securities remain subject to the terms of this agreement;

(c) if the undersigned is a corporation, partnership, limited liability company, trust or other business entity, (i) transfers or distributions of shares of Common Stock or any security convertible into shares of Common Stock to current or former general or limited partners, managers or members, stockholders, other equityholders or direct or indirect affiliates (within the meaning of Rule 405 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended)

of the undersigned, or to the estates of any of the foregoing or (ii) transfers or distributions to any investment fund or other entity controlling, controlled by, managing or managed by or under common control with the undersigned or affiliates of the undersigned (including, for the avoidance of doubt, where the undersigned is a partnership, to its general partner or a successor partnership or fund, or any other funds managed by such partnership); *provided* that, in the case of any transfer or distribution pursuant to this clause (c), (A) each transferee, donee or distributee shall sign and deliver a lock-up agreement substantially in the form of this agreement, (B) no filing under Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act or other public announcement reporting a reduction in beneficial ownership of shares of Common Stock shall be required or shall be voluntarily made during the Restricted Period (other than a required filing on Schedule 13D, 13F or 13G) and (C) such transfer shall not involve a disposition for value;

(d) facilitating the establishment or amendment of a trading plan on behalf of a stockholder, officer, or director of the Company pursuant to Rule 10b5-1 under the Exchange Act for the transfer of shares of Common Stock, *provided* that (i) such plan does not provide for the transfer of Common Stock during the Restricted Period and (ii) to the extent a public announcement or filing under the Exchange Act, if any, is required of or voluntarily made by or on behalf of the undersigned or the Company regarding the establishment or amendment of such plan during the Restricted Period, such announcement or filing shall include a statement to the effect that no transfer of Common Stock may be made under such plan during the Restricted Period;

(e) the transfer of shares of Common Stock or any other securities to the Company to satisfy any tax, including estimated tax, remittance, or other payment obligations of the undersigned arising in connection with a vesting event of the Company's securities, upon the settlement of restricted stock units or the payment due for the exercise of options (including a transfer to the Company for the "net" or "cashless" exercise of options) or other rights to purchase securities of the Company, in all such cases pursuant to equity awards granted under a stock incentive plan or other equity award plan of the Company described in the Prospectus; *provided*, that any remaining shares of Common Stock or other securities received upon such vesting, settlement or exercise shall be subject to the terms of this agreement; and *provided* further, that no public disclosure or filing shall be made voluntarily during the Restricted Period and, to the extent a filing under Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act is required during the Restricted Period as a result of transfers made pursuant to this clause (e), it shall clearly indicate that the filing relates to the circumstances described in this clause (e), including that the securities remain subject to the terms of this agreement;

(f) the transfer of shares of Common Stock or any other securities that occurs by operation of law pursuant to a qualified domestic order or other court order in connection with a divorce settlement, *provided* that (i) the transferee shall sign and deliver a lock-up agreement substantially in the form of this agreement, (ii) no public disclosure or filing shall be voluntarily made during the Restricted Period and (iii) any filing required under Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act during the Restricted Period shall clearly indicate in the footnotes thereto that the filing relates to the circumstances described in this clause (f);

(g) transfers to the Company (A) from an employee of the Company upon death, disability or termination of employment, in each case, of such employee or (B) pursuant to any contractual arrangement described in the Prospectus or in an exhibit filed with the registration statement related to the Public Offering and disclosed to the Representatives that provides for the repurchase of shares of Common Stock in connection with the termination of the undersigned's employment with or service to the Company; *provided* that in the case of clause (B), no public disclosure or filing under Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act shall be required or shall be voluntarily made during the Restricted Period within the first 75 days after the date of the Prospectus, and after such 75th day, to the extent a filing under Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act is required during the Restricted Period as a result of transfers made pursuant to this clause (g), it shall clearly indicate that the filing relates to the circumstances described in this clause (g) and no public disclosure or filing shall be voluntarily made;

(h) the conversion of shares of the Company's convertible preferred stock into shares of Common Stock as described in the Prospectus, *provided* that, in each case such shares shall continue to be subject to the restrictions on transfer set forth in this agreement; or

(i) the transfer of shares of Common Stock or any other securities pursuant to a bona fide third-party tender offer, merger, consolidation or other similar transaction that is approved by the Board of Directors of the Company, made to all holders of Common Stock involving a change of control (as defined below), *provided* that, in the event that the tender offer, merger, consolidation or other such transaction is not completed, the Common Stock owned by the undersigned shall remain subject to the restrictions contained in this agreement.

As used herein, (i) "immediate family member" means the spouse, domestic partner, lineal descendant, father, mother, brother, sister, or any other person with whom the undersigned has a relationship by blood, marriage or adoption not more remote than first cousin and (ii) "change of control" shall mean the transfer (whether by tender offer, merger, consolidation or other similar transaction), in one transaction or a series of related transactions, to a person or group of affiliated persons (other than an Underwriter pursuant to the Public Offering), of the Company's voting securities if, after such transfer, such person or group of affiliated persons would hold more than 50% of the number of outstanding voting securities of the Company (or the surviving entity) and 50% of the voting control of the outstanding voting securities of the Company (or the surviving entity).

In addition, the undersigned agrees that, without the prior written consent of Morgan Stanley and Goldman Sachs on behalf of the Underwriters, it will not, and will not publicly disclose an intention to, during the Restricted Period, make any demand for or exercise any right with respect to, the registration of any shares of Common Stock or any security convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for Common Stock. The undersigned also agrees and consents to the entry of stop transfer instructions with the Company's transfer agent and registrar against the transfer of the undersigned's shares of Common Stock except in compliance with the foregoing restrictions.

If the undersigned is an officer or director of the Company, the undersigned further agrees that the foregoing restrictions shall be equally applicable to any issuer-directed Shares the undersigned may purchase in the Public Offering.

If the undersigned is an officer or director of the Company, (i) Morgan Stanley and Goldman Sachs agree that, at least three business days before the effective date of any release or waiver of the foregoing restrictions in connection with a transfer of shares of Common Stock, Morgan Stanley and Goldman Sachs will notify the Company of the impending release or waiver, and (ii) the Company will agree or has agreed in the Underwriting Agreement to announce the impending release or waiver by press release through a major news service at least two business days before the effective date of the release or waiver. Any release or waiver granted by Morgan Stanley and Goldman Sachs hereunder to any such officer or director shall only be effective two business days after the publication date of such press release. The provisions of this paragraph will not apply if (a) the release or waiver is effected solely to permit a transfer not for consideration and (b) the transferee has agreed in writing to be bound by the same terms described in this agreement to the extent and for the duration that such terms remain in effect at the time of the transfer.

The undersigned understands that the Company and the Underwriters are relying upon this agreement in proceeding toward consummation of the Public Offering. The undersigned further understands that this agreement is irrevocable and shall be binding upon the undersigned's heirs, legal representatives, successors and assigns.

The undersigned acknowledges and agrees that the Underwriters have not provided any recommendation or investment advice nor have the Underwriters solicited any action from the undersigned with respect to the Public Offering of the Shares and the undersigned has consulted their own legal, accounting, financial, regulatory and tax advisors to the extent deemed appropriate. The undersigned further acknowledges and agrees that, although the Underwriters may provide certain Regulation Best Interest and Form CRS disclosures or other related documentation to you in connection with the Public Offering, the Underwriters are not making a recommendation to you to participate in the Public Offering or sell any Shares at the price determined in the Public Offering, and nothing set forth in such disclosures or documentation is intended to suggest that any Underwriter is making such a recommendation. The undersigned further acknowledges and agrees that none of the Underwriters has made any recommendation or provided any investment or other advice to the undersigned with respect to this agreement or the subject matter hereof, and the undersigned has consulted its own legal, accounting, financial, regulatory, tax and other advisors with respect to this agreement and the subject matter hereof to the extent the undersigned has deemed appropriate.

This agreement shall automatically terminate and the undersigned will be released from all obligations hereunder upon the earliest to occur, if any, of (a) the Company, on the one hand, or the Representatives, on the other hand, advising the other in writing that it has determined not to proceed with the Public Offering prior to the execution of the Underwriting Agreement, (b) the date the registration statement on Form S-1 is withdrawn prior to the execution of the Underwriting Agreement, (c) the date the Underwriting Agreement is terminated (other than the provisions thereof that survive termination), if prior to the closing of the Public Offering, and (d) March 31, 2024, if the Underwriting Agreement has not been executed by such date, *provided* that the term of this agreement may be extended 90 calendar days at the Company's sole discretion.

This agreement may be delivered via facsimile, electronic mail (including any electronic signature covered by the U.S. federal ESIGN Act of 2000, Uniform Electronic Transactions Act, the Electronic Signatures and Records Act or other applicable law, e.g., www.docusign.com) or other transmission method and any signature so delivered shall be deemed to have been duly and validly delivered and be valid and effective for all purposes.

Whether or not the Public Offering actually occurs depends on a number of factors, including market conditions. Any Public Offering will only be made pursuant to an Underwriting Agreement, the terms of which are subject to negotiation between the Company and the Underwriters.

This agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.

[Signature page follows]

Very truly yours,

Name of Securityholder *(Print exact name)*

By: _____
Signature

If not signing in an individual capacity:

Name of Authorized Signatory *(Print)*

Title of Authorized Signatory *(Print)*

(indicate capacity of person signing if signing as custodian, trustee, or on behalf of an entity)

FORM OF WAIVER OF LOCK-UP

_____, 20__

[Name and Address of
Officer or Director
Requesting Waiver]

Dear Mr./Ms. [Name]:

This letter is being delivered to you in connection with the offering by CG Oncology, Inc. (the “**Company**”) of [•] shares of common stock, \$0.0001 par value per share (the “**Common Stock**”), of the Company and the lock-up agreement dated ____, 2023 (the “**Lock-up Agreement**”), executed by you in connection with such offering, and your request for a [waiver] [release] dated ____, 20__, with respect to ____ shares of Common Stock (the “**Shares**”).

Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC and Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC hereby agree to [waive] [release] the transfer restrictions set forth in the Lock-up Agreement, but only with respect to the Shares, effective ____, 20__; provided, however, that such [waiver] [release] is conditioned on the Company announcing the impending [waiver] [release] by press release through a major news service at least two business days before effectiveness of such [waiver] [release]. This letter will serve as notice to the Company of the impending [waiver] [release].

Except as expressly [waived] [released] hereby, the Lock-up Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

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Very truly yours,

Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC
Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC Acting severally on behalf of
themselves and the several Underwriters named in Schedule
I hereto

Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC

By: _____

Name:

Title:

Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC

By: _____

Name:

Title:

cc: CG Oncology, Inc.

FORM OF PRESS RELEASE

CG Oncology, Inc.
[Date]

CG Oncology, Inc. (the “**Company**”) announced today that Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC and Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC, the lead book-running managers in the Company’s recent public sale of [*] shares of common stock are [waiving][releasing] a lock-up restriction with respect to ____ shares of the Company’s common stock held by [certain officers or directors] [an officer or director] of the Company. The [waiver][release] will take effect on ____, 20__, and the shares may be sold on or after such date.

This press release is not an offer for sale of the securities in the United States or in any other jurisdiction where such offer is prohibited, and such securities may not be offered or sold in the United States absent registration or an exemption from registration under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

AMENDED AND RESTATED CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

OF

CG ONCOLOGY, INC.

(Pursuant to Sections 242 and 245 of the
General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware)

CG Oncology, Inc., a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the provisions of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "General Corporation Law"),

DOES HEREBY CERTIFY:

FIRST: That the name of this corporation is CG Oncology, Inc. and that this corporation was originally incorporated pursuant to the General Corporation Law on November 30, 2017 under the name Cold Genesys, Inc.

SECOND: That the Board of Directors of this corporation (the "Board of Directors") duly adopted resolutions proposing to amend and restate the Certificate of Incorporation of this corporation, declaring said amendment and restatement to be advisable and in the best interests of this corporation and its stockholders, and authorizing the appropriate officers of this corporation to solicit the consent of the stockholders therefor, which resolution setting forth the proposed amendment and restatement is as follows:

RESOLVED, that the Certificate of Incorporation of this corporation be amended and restated in its entirety as follows:

ARTICLE I.

The name of this corporation is **CG Oncology, Inc.** (the "Corporation").

ARTICLE II.

The address of the registered office of this Corporation in the State of Delaware is 3500 South DuPont Highway, in the City of Dover, County of Kent, 19901. The name of its registered agent at such address is Incorporating Services, Ltd.

ARTICLE III.

The nature of the business or purposes to be conducted or promoted is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which corporations may be organized under the General Corporation Law.

ARTICLE IV.

A. Classes of Stock. This Corporation is authorized to issue two classes of stock to be designated, respectively, Common Stock and Preferred Stock. The total number of shares which this Corporation is authorized to issue is 831,458,674 shares. 493,530,000 shares shall be Common Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share (the "Common Stock") and 337,928,674 shares shall be Preferred Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share (the "Preferred Stock"). Of the Preferred Stock, 81,587,937 shares shall be designated Series F Preferred Stock (the "Series F Preferred Stock"), 112,422,700 shares shall be designated Series E Preferred Stock (the "Series E Preferred Stock"), 53,271,754 shares shall be designated Series D Preferred Stock (the "Series D Preferred Stock"), 73,598,283 shares shall be designated Series C Preferred Stock (the "Series C Preferred Stock"), 11,973,000 shares shall be designated Series B Preferred Stock (the "Series B Preferred Stock") and 5,075,000 shares shall be designated Series A-1 Preferred Stock (the "Series A-1 Preferred Stock"). The Series A-1 Preferred Stock, the Series B Preferred Stock, the Series C Preferred Stock, the Series D Preferred Stock, the Series E Preferred Stock and the Series F Preferred Stock shall be collectively referred to herein as the "Preferred Stock".

B. Rights, Preferences and Restrictions of Preferred Stock. The rights, preferences, privileges, and restrictions granted to and imposed on the Preferred Stock are as set forth below in this Article IV.B.

1. Dividend Provisions.

(a) Holders of Series F Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive, prior and in preference to any other class or series of capital stock of this corporation, cumulative cash dividends, when, as and if declared by the Board of Directors, out of any funds that are legally available therefor, at the rate of eight percent (8%) of the Series F Initial Purchase Price (as defined below) per annum on each outstanding share of Series F Preferred Stock (as adjusted for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like with respect to such shares).

(b) Following the issuance and distribution of dividends pursuant to subsection 1(a) above, holders of Series E Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive, prior and in preference to any other class or series of capital stock of this corporation, cumulative cash dividends, when, as and if declared by the Board of Directors, out of any funds that are legally available therefor, at the rate of eight percent (8%) of the Series E Initial Purchase Price (as defined below) per annum on each outstanding share of Series E Preferred Stock (as adjusted for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like with respect to such shares).

(c) Following the issuance and distribution of dividends pursuant to subsections 1(a) and 1(b) above, holders of Series D Preferred Stock and Series C Preferred Stock (together, the "Senior Preferred Stock") shall be entitled to receive, on a pari passu basis and prior and in preference to the holders of Series B Preferred Stock, Series A-1 Preferred Stock and Common Stock, cumulative cash dividends, when, as and if declared by the Board of Directors, out of any funds that are legally available therefor, at the rate of (i) with respect to the Series D Preferred Stock, eight percent (8%) of the Series D Initial Purchase Price (as defined below) per annum on each outstanding share of Series D Preferred Stock (as adjusted for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like with respect to such shares) and (ii) with respect to the Series C Preferred Stock, eight percent (8%) of the Series C Initial Purchase Price (as defined below) per annum on each outstanding share of Series C Preferred Stock (as adjusted for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like with respect to such shares).

(d) Following the issuance and distribution of dividends pursuant to subsections 1(a), 1(b) and 1(c) above, holders of Series B Preferred Stock and Series A-1 Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive, on a pari passu basis and prior and in preference to the holders of Common Stock, noncumulative cash dividends, when, as and if declared by the Board of Directors, out of any funds that are legally available therefor, at the rate of (i) with respect to the Series B Preferred Stock, eight percent (8%) of the Series B Initial Purchase Price (as defined below) per annum on each outstanding share of Series B Preferred Stock (as adjusted for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like with respect to such shares) and (ii) with respect to the Series A-1 Preferred Stock, eight percent (8%) of the Series A-1 Initial Purchase Price (as defined below) per annum on each outstanding share of Series A-1 Preferred Stock (as adjusted for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like with respect to such shares).

As used herein, the "Series F Initial Purchase Price" shall be \$1.2872 per share of Series F Preferred Stock (as adjusted for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like, as described herein). As used herein, the "Series E Initial Purchase Price" shall be \$1.0674 per share of Series E Preferred Stock (as adjusted for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like, as described herein). As used herein, the "Series D Initial Purchase Price" shall be \$0.8879 per share of Series D Preferred Stock (as adjusted for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like, as described herein). As used herein, the "Series C Initial Purchase Price" shall be \$0.29892 per share of Series C Preferred Stock (as adjusted for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like, as described herein). As used herein, the "Series B Initial Purchase Price" shall be \$0.83523 per share of Series B Preferred Stock (as adjusted for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like, as described herein). As used herein, the "Series A-1 Initial Purchase Price" shall be \$0.70339 per share of Series A-1 Preferred Stock (as adjusted for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like, as described herein). For the avoidance of doubt, "fully-diluted, as-converted and as-exercised basis" means all issued and outstanding Common Stock, all outstanding options under employee stock option plans or similar plans, all shares of outstanding Preferred Stock or convertible securities or instruments on an as-converted basis, and all outstanding warrants, options or similar rights to purchase the capital stock of the Corporation on an as-exercised basis.

(e) No distributions shall be made with respect to the Common Stock unless dividends on the Preferred Stock have been declared in accordance with the preferences stated herein and all declared dividends on the Preferred Stock have been paid or set aside for payment to the Preferred Stock holders. The right to receive dividends on shares of Series B Preferred Stock and Series A-1 Preferred Stock shall not be cumulative, and no right to dividends shall accrue to holders of Series B Preferred Stock and Series A-1 Preferred Stock by reason of the fact that dividends on said shares are not declared or paid. Payment of any dividends to the holders of Series B Preferred Stock and Series A-1 Preferred Stock shall be on a pro rata, pari passu basis in proportion to the dividend rate for the Series B Preferred Stock and Series A-1 Preferred Stock, as applicable.

(f) After payment of the full amount of any dividends pursuant to Articles IV.B.1(a), IV.B.1(b), IV.B.1(c) and IV.B.1(d), any additional dividends shall be distributed among all holders of Common Stock and all holders of Preferred Stock in proportion to the number of shares of Common Stock which would be held by each such holder if all such shares of Preferred Stock were converted to Common Stock at the then-effective applicable conversion rate.

(g) Distributions can be made without regard to any preferential rights amount or preferential dividends arrears amount with respect to distributions made by this Corporation in connection with (i) repurchases of Common Stock issued to or held by employees, officers, directors or consultants of the Corporation or its subsidiaries upon termination of their employment or services pursuant to agreements providing for the right of said repurchase, (ii) repurchases of Common Stock issued to or held by employees, officers, directors or consultants of the Corporation or its subsidiaries pursuant to rights of first refusal contained in agreements providing for such right, (iii) repurchases of Common Stock or Preferred Stock in connection with the settlement of disputes with any stockholder, or (iv) any other repurchase or redemption of Common Stock or Preferred Stock that are approved by the holders of at least 75% of the then outstanding shares of Preferred Stock (voting together as a single class and not as separate series, and on an as-converted to Common Stock basis) (the "Requisite Holders").

2. Liquidation Preference.

(a) Upon any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of this Corporation, whether voluntary or involuntary, and subject to Article IV.B.2(f), before any distribution or payment shall be made to the holders of Common Stock:

(i) The holders of Series F Preferred Stock shall be entitled to be paid out of the assets of this Corporation, prior and in preference to any distribution of the proceeds of such liquidation, dissolution or winding up to the holders of Series E Preferred Stock, Senior Preferred Stock, Series B Preferred Stock, Series A-1 Preferred Stock or Common Stock by reason of their ownership thereof, an amount per share of Series F Preferred Stock equal to the Series F Initial Purchase Price, plus all declared but unpaid dividends on the Series F Preferred Stock, for each share of Series F Preferred Stock then held (the "Series F Preference").

(ii) Following the distribution pursuant to Article IV.B.2(a)(i) above, the holders of Series E Preferred Stock shall be entitled to be paid out of the assets of this Corporation, prior and in preference to any distribution of the proceeds of such liquidation, dissolution or winding up to the holders of Senior Preferred Stock, Series B Preferred Stock, Series A-1 Preferred Stock or Common Stock by reason of their ownership thereof, an amount per share of Series E Preferred Stock equal to the Series E Initial Purchase Price, plus all declared but unpaid dividends on the Series E Preferred Stock, for each share of Series E Preferred Stock then held (the "Series E Preference").

(iii) Following the distributions pursuant to Articles IV.B.2(a)(i) and Article IV.B.2(a)(ii) above, the holders of each series of Senior Preferred Stock shall be entitled to be paid out of the assets of this Corporation, on a pari passu basis and prior and in preference to any distribution of the proceeds of such liquidation, dissolution or winding up to the

holders of Series B Preferred Stock, Series A-1 Preferred Stock or Common Stock by reason of their ownership thereof, (i) with respect to the Series D Preferred Stock, an amount per share of Series D Preferred Stock equal to the Series D Initial Purchase Price, plus all declared but unpaid dividends on the Series D Preferred Stock, for each share of Series D Preferred Stock then held (the “Series D Preference”) and (ii) with respect to the Series C Preferred Stock, an amount per share of Series C Preferred Stock equal to the Series C Initial Purchase Price, plus all declared but unpaid dividends on the Series C Preferred Stock, for each share of Series C Preferred Stock then held (the “Series C Preference”).

(iv) Following the distributions pursuant to Article IV.B.2(a)(i), Article IV.B.2(a)(ii) and Article IV.B.2(a)(iii) above, the holders of Series B Preferred Stock and Series A-1 Preferred Stock shall be entitled to be paid out of the assets of this Corporation, on a pari passu basis (i) with respect to the Series B Preferred Stock, an amount per share of Series B Preferred Stock equal to the Series B Initial Purchase Price, plus all declared but unpaid dividends on the Series B Preferred Stock, for each share of Series B Preferred Stock then held (the “Series B Preference”); and (ii) with respect to the Series A-1 Preferred Stock, an amount per share of Series A-1 Preferred Stock equal to the Series A-1 Initial Purchase Price, plus all declared but unpaid dividends on the Series A-1 Preferred Stock, for each share of Series A-1 Preferred Stock then held by them (the “Series A-1 Preference”).

(v) The Series A-1 Preference, Series B Preference, Series C Preference, Series D Preference, Series E Preference and Series F Preference are hereinafter collectively referred to as the “Liquidation Preferences.” Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions in Article IV.B.2(a)(i), Article IV.B.2(a)(ii), Article IV.B.2(a)(iii) and Article IV.B.2(a)(iv) above, if, upon any such liquidation, dissolution or winding up, the assets of this Corporation shall be insufficient to make payment in full of the Liquidation Preferences, then such assets shall be distributed in the following order of priority: (a) to the holders of Series F Preferred Stock in preference and ratably in proportion to the full amounts to which they would otherwise be respectively entitled pursuant to Article IV.B.2(a)(i), (b) any remaining assets then to the holders of Series E Preferred Stock in preference and ratably in proportion to the full amounts to which they would otherwise be respectively entitled pursuant to Article IV.B.2(a)(ii), (c) any remaining assets then to the holders of each series of Senior Preferred Stock in preference and ratably in proportion to the full amounts to which they would otherwise be respectively entitled pursuant to Article IV.B.2(a)(iii), and (d) any remaining assets then to the holders of Series B Preferred Stock and Series A-1 Preferred Stock ratably in proportion to the full amounts to which they would otherwise be respectively entitled pursuant to Article IV.B.2(a)(iv).

(b) After the payment of the full Liquidation Preferences as set forth in Article IV.B.2(a), the remaining assets of this Corporation legally available for distribution, if any, shall be distributed ratably to the holders of the Common Stock, Series F Preferred Stock (on an as-converted to Common Stock basis), Series E Preferred Stock (on an as-converted to Common Stock basis), Senior Preferred Stock (on an as-converted to Common Stock basis) and Series A-1 Preferred Stock (on an as-converted to Common Stock basis); provided, however, that if the aggregate amount which a holder of a share of Series A-1 Preferred Stock is entitled to receive under Article IV.B.2(a) and this Article IV.B.2(b) exceeds the sum of (i) three (3) times the Series A-1 Initial Purchase Price plus (ii) declared but unpaid dividends thereon, such holder of Series A-1 Preferred Stock shall cease participating in such distribution as to such Series A-1 Preferred

Stock, and the balance shall be distributed ratably to the holders of Common Stock, Series F Preferred Stock (on an as-converted to Common Stock basis), Series E Preferred Stock (on an as-converted to Common Stock basis) and Senior Preferred Stock (on an as-converted to Common Stock basis). The aggregate amount that a holder of a share of Preferred Stock is entitled to receive under Articles IV.B.2(a) and IV.B.2(b) is hereinafter referred to as the "Liquidation Amount."

(c) Any Acquisition or Asset Transfer (each as defined below) shall be deemed a liquidation under this Article IV.B.2; provided, however, that:

(i) This Corporation and, as applicable, its stockholders shall not have the power to effect such an Acquisition unless the agreement or plan of merger, or consolidation for such transaction provides that the consideration payable to the stockholders of this Corporation shall be allocated among the holders of capital stock of this Corporation in accordance with Articles IV.B.2(a) and IV.B.2(b).

(ii) In the event of an Asset Transfer, if this Corporation does not effect a dissolution of this Corporation within 90 days after such Asset Transfer, then (A) this Corporation shall send a written notice to each holder of shares of Preferred Stock no later than the 90th day after such Asset Transfer, advising such holders of their right (and the requirements to be met to secure such right) pursuant to the terms of the following clause (B) to require the redemption of such shares of Preferred Stock, and (B) if the Requisite Holders so request in a written instrument delivered to this Corporation not later than 120 days after such Asset Transfer, this Corporation shall use the consideration received by this Corporation for such Asset Transfer, net of any retained liabilities associated with the assets sold or technology licensed, as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors of this Corporation and approved by the Requisite Holders, together with any other assets of this Corporation available for distribution to its stockholders, all to the extent permitted by the General Corporation Law governing distributions to stockholders (the "Available Proceeds"), on the 150th day after such Asset Transfer, to redeem all outstanding shares of Preferred Stock at a price per share equal to the applicable Liquidation Amounts.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event of a redemption pursuant to the preceding sentence, if the Available Proceeds are not sufficient to redeem all outstanding shares of Preferred Stock in accordance with the Liquidation Preferences and priorities of payment set forth in Articles IV.B.2(a) and IV.B.2(b), this Corporation shall ratably redeem each holder's shares of Preferred Stock in accordance with such Liquidation Preferences and priorities of payment to the fullest extent of such Available Proceeds, and shall redeem the remaining shares as soon as it may lawfully do so under the General Corporation Law governing distributions to stockholders. The provisions of Article IV.B.3 shall apply, with such necessary changes in the details thereof as are necessitated by the context, to the redemption of the Preferred Stock pursuant to this Article IV.B.2(c).

(d) If the consideration received by this Corporation or the stockholders, as the case may be, in connection with an Acquisition or Asset Transfer is other than cash, its value will be deemed its fair market value as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors of this Corporation and approved by the Requisite Holders. Any securities shall be valued as follows received as consideration in connection with such Acquisition or Asset Transfer shall be valued as follows:

(i) The value of securities not subject to investment letter or other similar restrictions on free marketability (other than restrictions arising solely by virtue of a stockholder's status as an affiliate or former affiliate) shall be:

(A) if traded on a securities exchange or through the NASDAQ Global Select Market, the NASDAQ Global Market or the NASDAQ Capital Market, the value shall be deemed to be the average of the closing prices of the securities on such exchange or system over the thirty (30) day period (or portion thereof) ending three (3) days prior to the closing;

(B) if actively traded over-the-counter, the value shall be deemed to be the average of the closing bid or sale prices (whichever is applicable) over the thirty (30) day period (or portion thereof) ending three (3) days prior to the closing; and

(C) if there is no active public market, the value shall be the fair market value thereof, as determined by the Board of Directors of this Corporation. The Requisite Holders shall each have the right to challenge any determination by the Board of Directors of fair market value pursuant to this Article IV.B.2(d)(i)(C), in which case the determination of fair market value shall be made by an independent appraiser selected jointly by the Board of Directors and the challenging parties, the cost of such appraisal to be borne equally by this Corporation and the challenging parties.

(ii) The method of valuation of securities subject to investment letter or other restrictions on free marketability (other than restrictions arising solely by virtue of a stockholder's status as an affiliate or former affiliate) shall be adjusted to make an appropriate discount from the value determined as above in Article IV.B.2(d)(i) to reflect the approximate fair market value thereof, as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors, or by a liquidator if one is appointed. The Requisite Holders, voting together as a single class, shall have the right to challenge any determination by the Board of Directors of fair market value pursuant to this Article IV.B.2(d)(ii), in which case the determination of fair market value shall be made by an independent appraiser selected jointly by the Board of Directors and the challenging parties, the cost of such appraisal to be borne equally by the Corporation and the challenging parties.

(iii) In the event of a liquidation in connection with an Acquisition under Article IV.B.2(c), then the "assets of this Corporation" available for distribution shall be deemed to be the aggregate consideration to be paid to all stockholders participating in such Acquisition.

(e) In the event of an Acquisition or Asset Transfer that is deemed a liquidation in accordance with Article IV.B.2(c), if any portion of the consideration payable to the stockholders of this Corporation is placed into escrow and/or is payable to the stockholders of this Corporation subject to contingencies, the definitive agreement(s) relating to such Acquisition or Asset Transfer shall provide that: (i) the portion of such consideration that is not placed in escrow and not subject to any contingencies (the "Initial Consideration") shall be allocated among the holders of capital stock of this Corporation in accordance with Articles IV.B.2(a) and IV.B.2(b) as if the Initial Consideration were the only consideration payable in connection with such Acquisition or Asset Transfer; and (ii) any additional consideration which becomes payable to the stockholders of this Corporation upon release from escrow or satisfaction of contingencies shall be allocated among the holders of capital stock of this Corporation in accordance with Articles IV.B.2(a) and IV.B.2(b) after taking into account the previous payment of the Initial Consideration as part of the same transaction.

(f) Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Article IV.B.2, upon any liquidation, dissolution, winding up, Acquisition or Asset Transfer (each, a "Liquidation Event"), each holder of shares of Series A-1 Preferred Stock or Series B Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive, for each share of such series of Preferred Stock then held, out of the proceeds available for distribution, the greater of (i) the amount of cash, securities or other property to which such holder would be entitled to receive with respect to such shares in a Liquidation Event pursuant to Articles IV.B.2(a), IV.B.2(b) and IV.B.2(c) (without giving effect to this Article IV.B.2(f)) or (ii) the amount of cash, securities or other property to which such holder would be entitled to receive in a Liquidation Event with respect to such shares if such shares had been converted to Common Stock immediately prior to such Liquidation Event, giving effect to this Article IV.B.2(f) with respect to all shares of Preferred Stock simultaneously; provided that, so long as any shares of Series F Preferred Stock are outstanding, the Company shall not, without the approval of the holders of a majority of the then outstanding shares of Series F Preferred Stock, voting as a separate series (the "Series F Majority"), enter into any Liquidation Event where the proceeds per share of Series F Preferred Stock the holders of Series F Preferred Stock are entitled to receive pursuant to this Article IV.B.2 are less than two (2) times the Series F Initial Purchase Price; and provided further, that, so long as any shares of Series E Preferred Stock are outstanding, the Company shall not, without the approval of the holders of a majority of the then outstanding shares of Series E Preferred Stock, voting as a separate series (the "Series E Majority"), enter into any Liquidation Event where the proceeds per share of Series E Preferred Stock the holders of Series E Preferred Stock are entitled to receive pursuant to this Article IV.B.2 are less than two and a half (2.5) times the Series E Initial Purchase Price.

3. Redemption.

(a) At any time following the fifth anniversary date of July 28, 2023 (the "Series F Original Issue Date"), if requested in writing by holders of a majority of the then-outstanding shares of Series A-1 Preferred Stock, this Corporation shall, to the extent not prohibited by Delaware law governing distributions to stockholders, redeem all of the outstanding Series A-1 Preferred Stock sixty (60) days following the date of such written request (the "Series A-1 Redemption Date"). This Corporation shall effect such redemptions on the Series A-1 Redemption Date by paying in cash in exchange for the shares of Series A-1 Preferred Stock to be redeemed an amount equal to: the Series A-1 Initial Purchase Price per share of Series A-1 Preferred Stock (as adjusted for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like with respect to such shares), plus any and all declared but unpaid dividends with respect to such shares of Series A-1 Preferred Stock (collectively, the "Series A-1 Redemption Price"). The number of shares redeemable pursuant to this Article IV.B.3(a) shall be limited to (y) the number that may be redeemed with the then-maximum amount of funds to the extent not prohibited by Delaware law governing distributions to stockholders (the "Legally Available Funds"); and (z) any further restrictions pursuant to Article IV.B.3(g).

(b) At any time following the fifth anniversary date of the Series F Original Issue Date, if requested in writing by holders of a majority of the then-outstanding shares of Series B Preferred Stock, this Corporation shall, to the extent not prohibited by Delaware law governing distributions to stockholders, redeem all of the outstanding Series B Preferred Stock sixty (60) days following the date of such written request (the “Series B Redemption Date”). This Corporation shall effect such redemptions on the Series B Redemption Date by paying in cash in exchange for the shares of Series B Preferred Stock to be redeemed an amount equal to the Series B Initial Purchase Price per share of Series B Preferred Stock (as adjusted for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like with respect to such shares), plus any and all declared but unpaid dividends with respect to such shares of Series B Preferred Stock (collectively, the “Series B Redemption Price”). The number of shares redeemable pursuant to this Article IV.B.3(b) shall be limited to (x) the number that may be redeemed with the Legally Available Funds; and (y) any further restrictions pursuant to Article IV.B.3(g).

(c) At any time following the fifth anniversary date of the Series F Original Issue Date, if requested in writing by holders of at least 66.67% of the then-outstanding shares of Series C Preferred Stock, this Corporation shall, to the extent not prohibited by Delaware law governing distributions to stockholders, redeem all of the outstanding Series C Preferred Stock sixty (60) days following the date of such written request (the “Series C Redemption Date”). This Corporation shall effect such redemptions on the Series C Redemption Date by paying in cash in exchange for the shares of Series C Preferred Stock to be redeemed (other than those holders of Series C Preferred Stock that affirmatively choose to not participate in such redemption) an amount equal to: the Series C Initial Purchase Price per share of Series C Preferred Stock (as adjusted for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like with respect to such shares), plus any and all declared but unpaid dividends with respect to such shares of Series C Preferred Stock (collectively, the “Series C Redemption Price”). The number of shares redeemable pursuant to this Article IV.B.3(c) shall be limited to (y) the number that may be redeemed with the Legally Available Funds; and (z) any further restrictions pursuant to Article IV.B.3(g).

(d) At any time following the fifth anniversary date of the Series F Original Issue Date, if requested in writing by holders of a majority of the then-outstanding shares of Series D Preferred Stock, this Corporation shall, to the extent not prohibited by Delaware law governing distributions to stockholders, redeem all of the outstanding Series D Preferred Stock sixty (60) days following the date of such written request (the “Series D Redemption Date”). This Corporation shall effect such redemptions on the Series D Redemption Date by paying in cash in exchange for the shares of Series D Preferred Stock to be redeemed (other than those holders of Series D Preferred Stock that affirmatively choose to not participate in such redemption) an amount equal to: the Series D Initial Purchase Price per share of Series D Preferred Stock (as adjusted for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like with respect to such shares), plus any and all declared but unpaid dividends with respect to such shares of Series D Preferred Stock (collectively, the “Series D Redemption Price”). The number of shares redeemable pursuant to this Article IV.B.3(d) shall be limited to (y) the number that may be redeemed with the Legally Available Funds; and (z) any further restrictions pursuant to Article IV.B.3(g).

(e) At any time following the fifth anniversary date of the Series F Original Issue Date, if requested in writing by the Series E Majority, this Corporation shall, to the extent not prohibited by Delaware law governing distributions to stockholders, redeem all of the outstanding Series E Preferred Stock (other than the Series E Preferred Stock held by holders that affirmatively choose to not participate in such redemption) sixty (60) days following the date of such written request (the “Series E Redemption Date”). This Corporation shall effect such redemptions on the Series E Redemption Date by paying in cash in exchange for the shares of Series E Preferred Stock to be redeemed an amount equal to: the Series E Initial Purchase Price per share of Series E Preferred Stock (as adjusted for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like with respect to such shares), plus any and all declared but unpaid dividends with respect to such shares of Series E Preferred Stock (collectively, the “Series E Redemption Price”). The number of shares redeemable pursuant to this Article IV.B.3(e) shall be limited to (y) the number that may be redeemed with the Legally Available Funds; and (z) any further restrictions pursuant to Article IV.B.3(g).

(f) At any time following the fifth anniversary date of the Series F Original Issue Date, if requested in writing by the Series F Majority, this Corporation shall, to the extent not prohibited by Delaware law governing distributions to stockholders, redeem all of the outstanding Series F Preferred Stock (other than the Series F Preferred Stock held by holders that affirmatively choose to not participate in such redemption) sixty (60) days following the date of such written request (the “Series F Redemption Date”). This Corporation shall effect such redemptions on the Series F Redemption Date by paying in cash in exchange for the shares of Series F Preferred Stock to be redeemed an amount equal to: the Series F Initial Purchase Price per share (as adjusted for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like with respect to such shares), plus any and all declared but unpaid dividends with respect to such shares of Series F Preferred Stock (collectively, the “Series F Redemption Price”). The number of shares redeemable pursuant to this Article IV.B.3(f) shall be limited to (y) the number that may be redeemed with the Legally Available Funds; and (z) any further restrictions pursuant to Article IV.B.3(g). The Series A-1 Redemption Price, the Series B Redemption Price, the Series C Redemption Price, the Series D Redemption Price, the Series E Redemption Price and the Series F Redemption Price shall be referred to hereinafter as a “Redemption Price” for their applicable shares of Preferred Stock.

(g) Should the Legally Available Funds be an amount less than the amount necessary to effect a redemption as requested pursuant to Article IV.B.3(a), Article IV.B.3(b), Article IV.B.3(c), Article IV.B.3(d), Article IV.B.3(e), Article IV.B.3(f), or any of the foregoing (should more than one redemption be requested simultaneously, pursuant to Article IV.B.3(h)), up to two separate redemptions (each, a “Senior Redemption”) shall be effected in accordance with this Article IV.B.3(g) prior to a single, partial redemption (a “Partial Redemption”). First, a Senior Redemption shall be paid by this Corporation to redeem shares from the holders of the Series F Preferred Stock ratably in proportion to the aggregate Redemption Price that would be payable to each holder of the Series F Preferred Stock. After the full Redemption Price of the Series F Preferred Stock has been paid, a second Senior Redemption shall be paid to the holders of the Series E Preferred Stock ratably in proportion to the aggregate Redemption Price that would be payable to each holder of the Series E Preferred Stock. After the full Redemption Price of the Series F Preferred Stock and Series E Preferred Stock to be redeemed has been paid, a Partial Redemption shall be paid by this Corporation, such that each Eligible Redeemer (as defined below) shall be able to redeem only its Redeemable Shares (as defined below).

(i) Subject to Article IV.B.3(g), an “Eligible Redeemer” shall be any holder of shares of Preferred Stock from whom this Corporation has received a request for redemption under this Article IV.B.3. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Article IV.B.3, however, in the event any holder of shares of Preferred Stock, regardless of the Series A-1 Redemption Date, the Series B Redemption Date, the Series C Redemption Date, the Series D Redemption Date, the Series E Redemption Date or the Series F Redemption Date, receives a Redemption Notice (as defined in Article IV.B.3(h)), which states that this Corporation shall effect a Partial Redemption in accordance with this Article IV.B.3(g), such holder may become an Eligible Redeemer, only if this Corporation receives written notice that such holder of shares of Preferred Stock also requests redemption of its shares of Preferred Stock such that its request is deemed a Simultaneous Redemption under Article IV.B.3(h).

(ii) “Redeemable Shares” shall be a certain amount of shares of Preferred Stock that is less than the total number of shares of Series A-1 Preferred Stock, Series B Preferred Stock, Series C Preferred Stock and Series D Preferred Stock requested to be redeemed by an Eligible Redeemer in accordance with Article IV.3(g) (the “Total Requested Shares”). The Redeemable Shares for each Eligible Redeemer shall be determined in good faith by this Corporation by first multiplying the Legally Available Funds by a fraction: the numerator of which is the Total Requested Shares held by such Eligible Redeemer on an as-converted to Common Stock basis, and the denominator of which is the sum of all Total Requested Shares of all Eligible Redeemers under the Redemption Notice, on an as-converted to Common Stock basis (such figure shall be referred to herein as the “Maximum Payout Proportion”). The Redeemable Shares shall be those shares of Series A-1 Preferred Stock, Series B Preferred Stock, Series C Preferred Stock and Series D Preferred Stock out of the Total Requested Shares that may be redeemed without exceeding the Maximum Payout Proportion. Redeemable Shares may only be a whole number of shares, and may consist of shares of multiple series of Preferred Stock, should the Total Requested Shares comprise more than one series of Preferred Stock.

(h) Within ten (10) calendar days of receiving a redemption request contemplated by Article IV.B.3(a), Article IV.B.3(b), Article IV.B.3(c), Article IV.B.3(d), Article IV.B.3(e) or Article IV.B.3(f), this Corporation shall send a notice (a “Redemption Notice”) to all holders of shares of Preferred Stock setting forth: (i) which series (or sub-series, as applicable) of Preferred Stock requested a redemption and the number of shares of subject to such redemption; (ii) the then-current Redemption Price for such series (or sub-series, as applicable) of Preferred Stock to be redeemed; (iii) the place at which the applicable holders may obtain payment of such Redemption Price upon surrender of their share certificates; and (iv) what provisions of Article IV.B.3(g), if any, apply. Any additional requests for redemption, pursuant to any provision of Article IV.B.3, received by this Corporation within ten (10) calendar days of the date of a Redemption Notice shall be grouped together as a single request, such that all such requests shall be deemed to have been made simultaneously with the redemption request that triggered the original Redemption Notice (a “Simultaneous Redemption”), and the original Redemption Notice shall be promptly amended and restated and sent to all holders of shares of Preferred Stock in order to notify them of such Simultaneous Redemption.

(i) If there has been a failure for any reason in payment of the Series F Redemption Price on the Series F Redemption Date, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Series F Redemption Price shall be automatically increased at the rate of 8% of the Series F Initial Purchase Price per annum on each outstanding share of Series F Preferred Stock, compounding from the Series F Redemption Date until the date that the Series F Redemption Price is paid in full. If there has been a failure for any reason in payment of the Series E Redemption Price on the Series E Redemption Date, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Series E Redemption Price shall be automatically increased at the rate of 8% of the Series E Initial Purchase Price per annum on each outstanding share of Series E Preferred Stock, compounding from the Series E Redemption Date until the date that the Series E Redemption Price is paid in full. If there has been a failure for any reason in payment of the Series D Redemption Price on the Series D Redemption Date, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Series D Redemption Price shall be automatically increased at the rate of 8% of the Series D Initial Purchase Price per annum on each outstanding share of Series D Preferred Stock, compounding from the Series D Redemption Date until the date that the Series D Redemption Price is paid in full. If there has been a failure for any reason in payment of the Series C Redemption Price on the Series C Redemption Date, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Series C Redemption Price shall be automatically increased at the rate of 8% of the Series C Initial Purchase Price per annum on each outstanding share of Series C Preferred Stock, compounding from the Series C Redemption Date until the date that the Series C Redemption Price is paid in full.

(j) On or prior to the Series A-1 Redemption Date, the Series B Redemption Date, the Series C Redemption Date, the Series D Redemption Date, the Series E Redemption Date or the Series F Redemption Date, as the case may be, this Corporation shall deposit the appropriate Redemption Price of all shares of Preferred Stock to be redeemed with a bank or trust company having aggregate capital and surplus in excess of \$100,000,000, as a trust fund, with irrevocable instructions and authority to the bank or trust company to pay, on and after the Series A-1 Redemption Date, Series B Redemption Date, Series C Redemption Date, Series D Redemption Date, Series E Redemption Date or the Series F Redemption Date, as the case may be, such Redemption Price of the shares to their respective holders upon the surrender of their share certificates (or, if such holder alleges that such certificate or certificates have been lost, stolen or destroyed, a lost certificate affidavit and agreement reasonably acceptable to this Corporation to indemnify this Corporation against any claim that may be made against this Corporation on account of the alleged loss, theft or destruction of such certificate). Any funds deposited by this Corporation pursuant to this Article IV.B.3(j) for the redemption of shares of Preferred Stock thereafter converted into shares of Common Stock pursuant to Article IV.B.4 hereof shall be returned to this Corporation forthwith upon such conversion. The balance of any funds deposited by this Corporation pursuant to this Article IV.B.3(j) remaining unclaimed at the expiration of one (1) year following the date this Corporation first deposited the funds shall be returned to this Corporation promptly upon its written request.

(k) Subject to the provisions of Article IV.B.3(g), on or after the Series A-1 Redemption Date, Series B Redemption Date, Series C Redemption Date, Series D Redemption Date, Series E Redemption Date or Series F Redemption Date, as the case may be, each holder of shares of Preferred Stock to be redeemed shall surrender such holder's certificates representing such shares to this Corporation in the manner and at the place designated in the Redemption Notice, and thereupon the appropriate Redemption Price of such shares shall be payable to the order of the person whose name appears on such certificate or certificates as the owner thereof and each surrendered certificate shall be canceled. In the event less than all the shares of Preferred Stock represented by such certificates are redeemed, a new certificate shall be

issued representing the unredeemed shares of Preferred Stock. From and after the Series A-1 Redemption Date, Series B Redemption Date, Series C Redemption Date, Series D Redemption Date, Series E Redemption Date or Series F Redemption Date, as the case may be, unless there shall have been a failure in payment for any reason of the appropriate Redemption Price or this Corporation is unable to pay such Redemption Price due to not having sufficient Legally Available Funds, all rights of the holder of such shares as holder of Preferred Stock (except the right to receive the Redemption Price upon surrender of their certificates), shall cease and terminate with respect to such shares; provided, however, that in the event that shares of Preferred Stock are not redeemed for the Redemption Price in accordance with this Article IV.B.3 (including Article IV.B.3(i)), such shares of Preferred Stock shall remain outstanding and shall be entitled to all of the rights and preferences provided herein.

4. Conversion. The holders of the Preferred Stock shall have conversion rights as follows (the "Conversion Rights"):

(a) Optional Conversion. Subject to and in compliance with the provisions of this Article IV.B.4, any shares of Preferred Stock may, at the option of the holder, be converted at any time into fully paid and nonassessable shares of Common Stock. The number of shares of Common Stock to which a holder of Series F Preferred Stock, Series E Preferred Stock, Series D Preferred Stock, Series C Preferred Stock, Series B Preferred Stock or Series A-1 Preferred Stock shall be entitled upon conversion shall be the product obtained by multiplying the Series F Conversion Rate, Series E Conversion Rate, Series D Conversion Rate, Series C Conversion Rate, Series B Conversion Rate or Series A-1 Conversion Rate (each as defined in and determined as provided in Article IV.B.4(c) and collectively, as applicable, the "Conversion Rate"), as applicable, then in effect, by the number of shares of Series F Preferred Stock, Series E Preferred Stock, Series D Preferred Stock, Series C Preferred Stock, Series B Preferred Stock or Series A-1 Preferred Stock being converted.

Each holder of Preferred Stock who desires to convert shares into shares of Common Stock pursuant to this Article IV.B.4(a) shall surrender the certificate or certificates representing the shares being converted (or, if such holder alleges that such certificate or certificates have been lost, stolen or destroyed, a lost certificate affidavit and agreement reasonably acceptable to this Corporation to indemnify this Corporation against any claim that may be made against this Corporation on account of the alleged loss, theft or destruction of such certificate), duly endorsed, at the office of this Corporation or any transfer agent for such shares and shall give written notice to this Corporation at such office that such holder elects to convert such shares. Such notice shall state the number of shares of Preferred Stock being converted and, optionally, the preferred form of payment of declared and unpaid dividends. Thereupon, this Corporation shall promptly issue and deliver at such office to such holder a certificate or certificates for the number of shares of Common Stock to which such holder is entitled and shall promptly pay in cash, or, at this Corporation's option (unless otherwise indicated prior to conversion by the notice of conversion provided by such holder), in shares of Common Stock (at the Common Stock's fair market value determined in good faith by the Board of Directors as of the date of such conversion), any declared and unpaid dividends on the shares of Preferred Stock being converted. Such conversion shall be deemed to have been made at the close of business on the date of such surrender of the certificates representing the shares of Preferred Stock to be converted, and the person entitled to receive the shares of Common Stock issuable upon such conversion shall be treated for all

purposes as the record holder of such shares of Common Stock on such date. The Requisite Holders shall have the right to challenge any determination by the Board of Directors of fair market value pursuant to this Article IV.B.4(a), in which case the determination of fair market value shall be made by an independent appraiser selected jointly by the Board of Directors and the challenging parties, the cost of such appraisal to be borne equally by the Corporation and the challenging parties.

(b) Automatic Conversion.

(i) Each share of Preferred Stock shall automatically be converted into shares of Common Stock, based on the then-effective applicable Conversion Rate: (x) upon the closing of the sale of shares of Common Stock to the public at a price of at least \$1.33 per share (subject to appropriate adjustment in the event of any stock dividend, stock split, combination or other similar recapitalization with respect to the Common Stock), in a firm commitment underwritten public offering pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, covering the offer and sale of Common Stock for the account of this Corporation (1) which results in at least \$100,000,000 of gross proceeds to the Corporation and (2) in which the pre-money valuation of the Corporation immediately prior to such public offering is at least \$700,000,000 (a “QIPO”) or (y) upon the written consent of the Requisite Holders.

(ii) Upon the occurrence of an event giving rise to the conversion specified by Article IV.B.4(b)(i), the outstanding shares of Preferred Stock shall be converted automatically into shares of Common Stock without any further action by the holders of such shares and whether or not the certificates representing such shares are surrendered to this Corporation or its transfer agent; provided, however, that this Corporation shall not be obligated to issue certificates evidencing the shares of Common Stock issuable upon such conversion unless the certificates evidencing such shares of Preferred Stock are either delivered to this Corporation or its transfer agent as provided below, or the holder notifies this Corporation or its transfer agent that such certificates have been lost, stolen or destroyed and executes an agreement reasonably satisfactory to this Corporation to indemnify this Corporation from any loss incurred by it in connection with such certificates. Upon the occurrence of such automatic conversion of any shares of Preferred Stock, this Corporation shall provide a notice of the automatic conversion to the holders of Preferred Stock, and the holders of such shares shall surrender the certificates representing such shares at the office of this Corporation or any transfer agent for such shares. Thereupon, there shall be issued and delivered to such holders promptly at such office and in the holders’ names as shown on such surrendered certificate or certificates, a certificate or certificates for the number of shares of Common Stock into which the shares of Preferred Stock were convertible on the date on which such automatic conversion occurred, and any declared and unpaid dividends shall be paid in accordance with the provisions of Article IV.B.4(a).

(c) Conversion Rate. The conversion rate in effect at any time for conversion of each share of Series F Preferred Stock (the “Series F Conversion Rate”) shall be the quotient obtained by dividing the Series F Initial Purchase Price by the Series F Conversion Price (as defined in and calculated as provided in Article IV.B.4(d)). The conversion rate in effect at any time for conversion of each share of Series E Preferred Stock (the “Series E Conversion Rate”) shall be the quotient obtained by dividing the Series E Initial Purchase Price by the Series E

Conversion Price (as defined in and calculated as provided in Article IV.B.4(d)). The conversion rate in effect at any time for conversion of each share of Series D Preferred Stock (the "Series D Conversion Rate") shall be the quotient obtained by dividing the Series D Initial Purchase Price by the Series D Conversion Price (as defined in and calculated as provided in Article IV.B.4(d)). The conversion rate in effect at any time for conversion of each share of Series C Preferred Stock (the "Series C Conversion Rate") shall be the quotient obtained by dividing the Series C Initial Purchase Price by the Series C Conversion Price (as defined in and calculated as provided in Article IV.B.4(d)). The conversion rate in effect at any time for conversion of each share of Series B Preferred Stock (the "Series B Conversion Rate") shall be the quotient obtained by dividing the Series B Initial Purchase Price by the Series B Conversion Price (as defined in and calculated as provided in Article IV.B.4(d)). The conversion rate in effect at any time for conversion of each share of Series A-1 Preferred Stock (the "Series A-1 Conversion Rate") shall be the quotient obtained by dividing the Series A-1 Initial Purchase Price by the Series A-1 Conversion Price (as defined in and calculated as provided in Article IV.B.4(d)).

(d) Conversion Price. The conversion price for the Series F Preferred Stock (the "Series F Conversion Price") as of the date upon which this Restated Certificate of Incorporation is accepted for filing by the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware (the "Filing Date") shall initially be the Series F Initial Purchase Price, the conversion price for the Series E Preferred Stock (the "Series E Conversion Price") as of the Filing Date shall initially be the Series E Initial Purchase Price, the conversion price for the Series D Preferred Stock (the "Series D Conversion Price") as of the Filing Date shall initially be the Series D Initial Purchase Price, the conversion price for the Series C Preferred Stock (the "Series C Conversion Price") as of the Filing Date shall initially be the Series C Initial Purchase Price, the conversion price for the Series B Preferred Stock (the "Series B Conversion Price") as of the Filing Date shall initially be the Series C Initial Purchase Price and the conversion price for the Series A-1 Preferred Stock (the "Series A-1 Conversion Price") as of the Filing Date shall initially be the Series C Initial Purchase Price. The Series A-1 Conversion Price, the Series B Conversion Price, the Series C Conversion Price, the Series D Conversion Price, the Series E Conversion Price and the Series F Conversion Price shall be adjusted from time to time in accordance with this Article IV.B.4, and all references herein shall mean the Series F Conversion Price, Series E Conversion Price, Series D Conversion Price, Series C Conversion Price, Series B Conversion Price and Series A-1 Conversion Price as so adjusted (sometimes referred to hereinafter as the "Conversion Price" of the applicable Preferred Stock).

(e) Adjustment for Stock Splits and Combinations. If this Corporation shall, on or after the Filing Date, effect a subdivision of the outstanding Common Stock without a corresponding subdivision of the Series A-1 Preferred Stock, Series B Preferred Stock, Series C Preferred Stock, Series D Preferred Stock, Series E Preferred Stock or Series F Preferred Stock, then the applicable Conversion Price in effect for such series of Preferred Stock immediately before such respective subdivision shall be proportionately decreased. Conversely, if this Corporation shall at any time or from time to time after the Filing Date combine the outstanding shares of Common Stock into a lower number of shares without a corresponding combination of the Series A-1 Preferred Stock, Series B Preferred Stock, Series C Preferred Stock, Series D Preferred Stock, Series E Preferred Stock or Series F Preferred Stock, then the applicable Conversion Price in effect for such series of Preferred Stock immediately before such combination shall be proportionately increased. Any adjustment under this Article IV.B.4(e) shall become effective at the close of business on the date such subdivision or combination becomes effective.

(f) Adjustment for Common Stock Dividends and Distributions. If this Corporation at any time or from time to time after the Filing Date makes, or fixes a record date for the determination of holders of Common Stock entitled to receive, a dividend or other distribution payable in shares of Common Stock, in each such event the applicable Conversion Price then in effect for shares of Preferred Stock shall be decreased as of the time of such issuance or, in the event such record date is fixed, as of the close of business on such record date, by multiplying the Conversion Price for such share of Preferred Stock then in effect by a fraction: (i) the numerator of which is the total number of shares of Common Stock issued and outstanding immediately prior to the time of such issuance or the close of business on such record date; and (ii) the denominator of which is the sum of (x) the total number of shares of Common Stock issued and outstanding immediately prior to the time of such issuance or the close of business on such record date, and (y) the number of shares of Common Stock issuable in payment of such dividend or distribution; provided, however, that if such record date is fixed and such dividend is not fully paid or if such distribution is not fully made on the date fixed therefor, such Conversion Price shall be recomputed accordingly as of the close of business on such record date and thereafter such Conversion Price shall be adjusted pursuant to this Article IV.B.4(f) to reflect the actual payment of such dividend or distribution; and, provided further, that no such adjustment shall be made if the holders of Preferred Stock simultaneously receive a dividend or other distribution of shares of Common Stock in a number equal to the number of shares of Common Stock as they would have received if all outstanding shares of such Preferred Stock had been converted into Common Stock on the date of such event.

(g) Adjustments for Other Dividends and Distributions. If this Corporation at any time or from time to time after the Filing Date makes or issues, or fixes a record date for the determination of holders of Common Stock entitled to receive, a dividend or other distribution payable in securities of this Corporation (other than a distribution of shares of Common Stock in respect of outstanding shares of Common Stock) or in other property and the provisions of Article IV.B.1 do not apply to such dividend or distribution, then and in each such event the holders of shares of Preferred Stock shall receive, simultaneously with the distribution to the holders of Common Stock, a dividend or other distribution of such securities or other property in an amount equal to the amount of such securities or other property as they would have received if all outstanding shares of such Preferred Stock had been converted into Common Stock on the date of such event.

(h) Adjustment for Reclassification, Exchange and Substitution. If at any time or from time to time after the Filing Date the Common Stock issuable upon the conversion of any share of Preferred Stock is changed into the same or a different number of shares of any class or classes of stock, whether by recapitalization, reclassification or otherwise (other than an Acquisition or Asset Transfer, each as defined below, or a subdivision or combination of shares, stock dividend or reorganization, merger, consolidation or sale of assets provided for elsewhere in this Article IV.B.4), then in each such event, provision shall be made so that the holders of shares of Preferred Stock shall thereafter be entitled to receive, upon the conversion of such Preferred Stock, that number of shares of stock or other securities or property of this Corporation upon such recapitalization, reclassification or other change to which a holder of that number of shares of Common Stock deliverable upon conversion of such share of Preferred Stock would have been entitled as a result of such recapitalization, reclassification or other change, all subject to further adjustment as provided herein or with respect to such other securities or property by the terms thereof.

(i) Reorganizations, Mergers or Consolidations. If at any time or from time to time after the Filing Date there is a capital reorganization of the Common Stock or a merger or consolidation of this Corporation with or into another corporation or another entity or person (other than an Acquisition or Asset Transfer that is deemed a liquidation, or a subdivision or combination of shares, stock dividend or reorganization, merger, consolidation or sale of assets provided for elsewhere in this Article IV.B.4), then as a part of such capital reorganization, provision shall be made so that the holders of shares of Preferred Stock shall thereafter be entitled to receive, upon the conversion of such shares of Preferred Stock, that number of shares of stock or other securities or property of this Corporation to which a holder of that number of shares of Common Stock deliverable upon conversion of such Preferred Stock would have been entitled as a result of such capital reorganization, merger or consolidation. In any such case, appropriate adjustment shall be made in the application of the provisions of this Article IV.B.4 with respect to the rights of the holders of Preferred Stock after the capital reorganization such that the provisions of this Article IV.B.4 (including adjustment of the applicable Conversion Price for such Preferred Stock then in effect and the number of shares issuable upon conversion of such Preferred Stock) shall be applicable after that event and be as nearly equivalent as practicable.

(j) Sale of Shares Below Conversion Price.

(A) Anti-Dilution Adjustment. If at any time or from time to time after the Filing Date, this Corporation issues or sells, or is deemed by the express provisions of this Article IV.B.4(j) to have issued or sold, Additional Shares of Common Stock (as defined below), other than as a dividend or other distribution on any class of stock as provided in Article IV.B.4(f) above, and other than a subdivision or combination of shares of Common Stock as provided in Article IV.B.4(e) above, for an Effective Price (as defined below) less than the then-effective applicable Conversion Price in effect immediately prior to such issuance or at no Effective Price, then, and in each such case, such then-existing applicable Conversion Price shall be reduced, as of the opening of business on the date of such issue or sale, to a price (calculated to the nearest one-hundredth of a cent) determined in accordance with the following formula:

$$CP_2 = CP_1 * (A + B) \div (A + C).$$

For purposes of the foregoing formula, the following definitions shall apply:

i. "CP₂" shall mean the applicable Conversion Price in effect immediately after such issuance or deemed issuance of Additional Shares of Common Stock;

ii. "CP₁" shall mean the applicable Conversion Price in effect immediately prior to such issuance or deemed issuance of Additional Shares of Common Stock;

iii. "A" shall mean the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately prior to such issuance or deemed issuance of Additional Shares of Common Stock on a fully-diluted, as-converted and as-exercised basis;

iv. "B" shall mean the number of shares of Common Stock that would have been issued if such Additional Shares of Common Stock had been issued or deemed issued at a price per share equal to CP_1 (determined by dividing the aggregate consideration received by the Corporation in respect of such issue by CP_1); and

v. "C" shall mean the number of such Additional Shares of Common Stock issued in such transaction.

(B) For the purpose of making any adjustment required under this Article IV.B.4(j), the consideration received by this Corporation for any issue or sale of Additional Shares of Common Stock shall: (i) to the extent it consists of cash, be computed at the net amount of cash received by this Corporation after deduction of any underwriting or similar commissions, compensation or concessions paid or allowed by this Corporation in connection with such issue or sale but without deduction of any expenses payable by this Corporation; and (ii) to the extent it consists of property other than cash, be computed at the fair value of that property as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors. In the event that Additional Shares of Common Stock are issued or sold together with other stock or securities or other assets of this Corporation for a consideration which covers both, the consideration received by this Corporation for any issue or sale of securities shall be computed as the portion of the consideration so received that may be reasonably determined in good faith by the Board of Directors to be allocatable to such Additional Shares of Common Stock. In each event, the Requisite Holders, voting together as a single class, shall have the right to challenge any determination by the Board of Directors, in which case the determination shall be made by an independent appraiser selected jointly by the Board of Directors and the challenging parties, the cost of such appraisal to be borne equally by the Corporation and the challenging parties.

(C) For the purpose of the adjustments required under this Article IV.B.4(j), if this Corporation issues or sells: (i) stock or other securities convertible into, Additional Shares of Common Stock (such convertible stock or securities being herein referred to as "Convertible Securities"); or (ii) rights or options for the purchase of Additional Shares of Common Stock or Convertible Securities, this Corporation shall be deemed to have issued at the time of the issuance of such rights or options or Convertible Securities the maximum number of Additional Shares of Common Stock issuable upon exercise or conversion thereof and to have received as consideration for the issuance of such shares an amount equal to the total amount of the consideration, if any, received by this Corporation for the issuance of such rights or options or Convertible Securities, plus, in the case of such rights or options, the minimum amounts of consideration, if any, payable to this Corporation upon the exercise of such rights or options, plus, in the case of Convertible Securities, the minimum amounts of consideration, if any, payable to this Corporation (other than by cancellation of liabilities or obligations evidenced by such Convertible Securities) upon the conversion thereof; provided, however, that if in the case of Convertible Securities the minimum amounts of such consideration cannot be ascertained but are a function of anti-dilution or similar protective clauses, this Corporation shall be deemed to have received the minimum amounts of consideration without reference to such clauses; and, provided

further, that: (i) if the minimum amount of consideration payable to this Corporation upon the exercise or conversion of rights, options or Convertible Securities is reduced over time or based on the occurrence or non-occurrence of specified events other than by reason of anti-dilution adjustments, the Effective Price shall be recalculated using the figure to which such minimum amount of consideration is reduced; and (ii) if the minimum amount of consideration payable to this Corporation upon the exercise or conversion of such rights, options or Convertible Securities is subsequently increased, the Effective Price shall be again recalculated using the increased minimum amount of consideration payable to this Corporation upon the exercise or conversion of such rights, options or Convertible Securities. No further adjustment of such Conversion Price as adjusted upon the issuance of such rights, options or Convertible Securities, shall be made as a result of the actual issuance of Additional Shares of Common Stock on the exercise of any such rights or options or the conversion of any such Convertible Securities. If any such rights or options or the conversion privilege represented by any such Convertible Securities shall expire without having been exercised, the applicable Conversion Price for each share of Preferred Stock, as adjusted upon the issuance of such rights, options or Convertible Securities shall be readjusted to the applicable Conversion Price that would have been in effect had an adjustment been made on the basis that the only Additional Shares of Common Stock so issued were the Additional Shares of Common Stock, if any, actually issued or sold on the exercise of such rights or options or rights of conversion of such Convertible Securities, and such Additional Shares of Common Stock, if any, were issued or sold for the consideration actually received by this Corporation upon such exercise, plus the consideration, if any, actually received by this Corporation for the granting of all such rights or options, whether or not exercised, plus the consideration received for issuing or selling the Convertible Securities actually converted, plus the consideration, if any, actually received by this Corporation (other than by cancellation of liabilities or obligations evidenced by such Convertible Securities) on the conversion of such Convertible Securities; provided, however, that such readjustment shall not apply to prior conversions of Preferred Stock. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no readjustment pursuant to this clause (C) shall have the effect of increasing the Conversion Price for a share of Preferred Stock to an amount that exceeds the lower of (i) the applicable Conversion Price for such series in effect immediately prior to the original adjustment made as a result of the issuance of such Convertible Securities or options or rights, or (ii) the Conversion Price for such series that would have resulted from any issuances of Additional Shares of Common Stock (other than deemed issuances of Additional Shares of Common Stock as a result of the issuance of such Convertible Securities) between the original adjustment date and such readjustment date.

(D) As used herein, "Additional Shares of Common Stock" shall mean all shares of Common Stock issued by this Corporation or deemed to be issued pursuant to this Article IV.B.4(j), other than: (i) any shares of Common Stock issued upon any conversion of shares of Series F Preferred Stock, Series E Preferred Stock, Series D Preferred Stock, Series C Preferred Stock, Series B Preferred Stock or Series A-1 Preferred Stock; (ii) any shares of Common Stock issued as a dividend or distribution on shares of Series F Preferred Stock, Series E Preferred Stock, Series D Preferred Stock, Series C Preferred Stock, Series B Preferred Stock or Series A-1 Preferred Stock, or upon a stock split, stock dividend or any other subdivision of the number of shares of Common Stock; (iii) any shares of Common Stock (or options or rights to purchase shares of Common Stock) issued on or after the Filing Date to employees, officers or directors of, or consultants or advisors to, this Corporation pursuant to current stock purchase plans or current stock option plans, or pursuant to similar plans that are approved by the Requisite

Holders pursuant to Article IV.B.6(p); and (iv) any shares of Series F Preferred Stock issued pursuant to that certain Series F Preferred Stock Purchase Agreement, by and between the Corporation and certain other investors thereto, dated on or about the Filing Date (the "Series F Stock Purchase Agreement"). The "Effective Price" of Additional Shares of Common Stock shall mean the quotient determined by dividing the aggregate consideration received, or deemed to have been received by this Corporation for such issue under this Article IV.B.4(j), for such Additional Shares of Common Stock, by the total number of Additional Shares of Common Stock issued or sold, or deemed to have been issued or sold by this Corporation under this Article IV.B.4(j).

(k) Certificate of Adjustment. Upon the request of any holder of shares of Preferred Stock, and in each case of an adjustment or readjustment of the Conversion Price for any share of Preferred Stock pursuant to this Article IV.B.4, this Corporation, at its expense, shall compute such adjustment or readjustment in accordance with the provisions hereof and prepare a certificate showing such adjustment or readjustment and shall mail such certificate, by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to each registered holder of such share of the applicable Preferred Stock at the holder's address as shown in this Corporation's books. The certificate shall set forth such adjustment or readjustment, showing in detail the facts upon which such adjustment or readjustment is based.

(l) Notices of Record Date. Upon: (i) any taking by this Corporation of a record of the holders of any class of securities for the purpose of determining the holders thereof who are entitled to receive any dividend or other distribution; or (ii) any Acquisition or other capital reorganization of this Corporation, any reclassification or recapitalization of the capital stock of this Corporation, any merger or consolidation of this Corporation with or into any other corporation, any Asset Transfer, or any voluntary or involuntary dissolution, liquidation or winding up of this Corporation, this Corporation shall mail a notice to each holder of Preferred Stock, at least fifteen (15) business days prior to, and specifying the earliest of: (A) the date on which any such record is to be taken for the purpose of such dividend or distribution and a description of such dividend or distribution; (B) the date on which any such Acquisition, reorganization, reclassification, transfer, consolidation, merger, Asset Transfer, dissolution, liquidation or winding up is expected to become effective; and (C) the date, if any, that is to be fixed as to when the holders of record of Common Stock (or other securities) shall be entitled to exchange their shares of Common Stock (or other securities) for securities or other property deliverable upon such Acquisition, reorganization, reclassification, transfer, consolidation, merger, Asset Transfer, dissolution, liquidation or winding up.

(m) Fractional Shares. No fractional shares of Common Stock shall be issued upon conversion of any shares of Preferred Stock. All shares of Common Stock (including fractions thereof) issuable upon conversion of more than one share of Preferred Stock by a holder thereof shall be aggregated for purposes of determining whether the conversion would result in the issuance of any fractional share. If, after the aforementioned aggregation, the conversion would result in the issuance of any fractional share, this Corporation shall, in lieu of issuing any fractional share, pay cash in an amount equal to the product of such fraction multiplied by the fair market value of a share of Common Stock, as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors, on the date of conversion.

(n) Reservation of Stock Issuable Upon Conversion. This Corporation shall at all times reserve and keep available out of its authorized but unissued shares of Common Stock, solely for the purpose of effecting the conversion of the shares of the Preferred Stock, such number of shares of Common Stock as shall from time to time be sufficient to effect the conversion of all then-outstanding shares of Preferred Stock. If at any time the number of authorized but unissued shares of Common Stock shall not be sufficient to effect the conversion of all then-outstanding shares of Preferred Stock, the Corporation will take such corporate action as is, in the opinion of its counsel, necessary to increase its authorized but unissued shares of Common Stock to such number of shares as shall be sufficient for such purpose.

(o) Notices. Any notice required by the provisions of this Article IV.B.4 shall be in writing and shall be deemed effectively given: (i) upon personal delivery to the party to be notified; (ii) when sent by electronic mail or confirmed facsimile, if sent during normal business hours of the recipient or, if not, then on the next business day; (iii) five (5) days after having been sent by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid; or (iv) one (1) day after deposit with a nationally recognized overnight courier, specifying next day delivery, with verification of receipt. All notices shall be addressed to each holder of record at the address of such holder appearing on the books of this Corporation.

(p) Payment of Taxes. This Corporation will pay all taxes (other than taxes based upon income) and other governmental charges that may be imposed with respect to the issue or delivery of shares of Common Stock upon conversion of shares of Preferred Stock, excluding any tax or other charge imposed in connection with any transfer involved in the issue and delivery of shares of Common Stock in a name other than that in which such shares of Preferred Stock so converted were registered.

(q) No Impairment. This Corporation will not, without the appropriate vote of the stockholders under the General Corporation Law or Section 6 of this Article IV(B), by amendment of its Certificate of Incorporation or through any reorganization, recapitalization, transfer of assets, consolidation, merger, dissolution, issue or sale of securities or any other voluntary action, avoid or seek to avoid the observance or performance of any of the terms to be observed or performed hereunder by this Corporation, but will at all times in good faith assist in the carrying out of all the provisions of this Section 4 and in the taking of all such action as may be necessary or appropriate in order to protect the Conversion Rights of the holders of the Preferred Stock against impairment.

(r) Waiver of Adjustment to Conversion Price. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, any downward adjustment of the Conversion Price of any series of Preferred Stock may be waived, either prospectively or retroactively and either generally or in a particular instance, by the consent or vote of the holders of at least a majority of the outstanding shares of such series of Preferred Stock (each voting as a separate class); provided, however, that any amendment to the Series C Conversion Price shall require the consent or vote of the holders of at least 66.67% of the then outstanding shares of Series C Preferred Stock, voting as a separate class. Any such waiver shall bind all future holders of shares of such series of Preferred Stock.

5. Voting Rights.

(a) General Rights. Except as otherwise provided herein or as required by law, shares of Preferred Stock shall be voted together with the shares of the Common Stock of the Corporation and not as a separate class, at any annual or special meeting of stockholders of this Corporation, and may act by written consent in the same manner as the Common Stock. In the event of any such vote or action by written consent, each holder of shares of Preferred Stock shall be entitled to that number of votes equal to the whole number of shares of Common Stock into which such holder's aggregate number of shares of Preferred Stock are convertible (pursuant to Article IV.B.4 hereof) as of the close of business on the record date fixed for such vote or the effective date of such written consent. Any fractional shares shall be disregarded for purposes of such voting rights.

(b) Election of Directors.

(i) The size of the Board of Directors shall be nine (9) persons.

(ii) So long as any shares of Series A-1 Preferred Stock are outstanding, the holders of Series A-1 Preferred Stock, voting as a separate class, shall be entitled to elect one (1) member of the Board of Directors (the "Series A-1 Director") at each meeting or pursuant to each consent of this Corporation's stockholders for the election of directors. So long as holders of outstanding Series B Preferred Stock hold at least nine percent (9%) of the outstanding shares of Common Stock on a fully diluted and as-converted basis, holders of outstanding Series B Preferred Stock shall be entitled to elect one (1) member of the Board of Directors (the "Series B Director") at each meeting or pursuant to each consent of this Corporation's stockholders for the election of directors. So long as any shares of Series C Preferred Stock remain outstanding, the holders of Series C Preferred Stock, voting as a separate class, shall be entitled to elect two (2) members of the Board of Directors (each, a "Series C Director" and together, the "Series C Directors") at each meeting or pursuant to each consent of this Corporation's stockholders for the election of directors. So long as at least twenty percent (20%) of the shares of Series D Preferred Stock originally issued on March 26, 2020 are outstanding, the holders of Series D Preferred Stock, voting as a separate class, shall be entitled to elect one (1) member of the Board of Directors (the "Series D Director") at each meeting or pursuant to each consent of this Corporation's stockholders for the election of directors. So long as at least twenty percent (20%) of shares of Series E Preferred Stock originally issued on September 30, 2022 are outstanding, the holders of Series E Preferred Stock, voting as a separate class, shall be entitled to elect two (2) members of the Board of Directors (the "Series E Directors") at each meeting or pursuant to each consent of this Corporation's stockholders for the election of directors. The Series A-1 Director, the Series B Director, the Series C Directors, the Series D Director and the Series E Directors are together referred to as the "Preferred Directors." The holders of Common Stock, voting as a separate class, shall be entitled to elect one (1) member of the Board of Directors at each meeting or pursuant to each consent of this Corporation's stockholders for the election of directors. The holders of a majority in voting power of the Preferred Stock and the Common Stock, voting as a single class on an as-converted to Common Stock basis, shall be entitled to elect the remaining members of the Board of Directors at each meeting or pursuant to each consent of this Corporation's stockholders for the election of directors. Any directors elected as provided in this Article IV.B.5(b)(ii) may be removed, and any vacancy or vacancies caused by the resignation, death or removal of such directors may be filled, by, and only by, the affirmative vote of the holders of the shares of the class or series of capital stock entitled to elect such director or directors hereunder.

(iii) To the extent that Section 2115 of the California General Corporation Law makes Section 708 subdivisions (a), (b) and (c) of the California General Corporation Law applicable to the Corporation, the Corporation's stockholders shall have the right to cumulate their votes in connection with the election of directors as provided by Section 708 subdivisions (a), (b) and (c) of the California General Corporation Law.

Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 223(a)(1) and 223(a)(2) of the General Corporation Law, any vacancy, including newly created directorships resulting from any increase in the authorized number of directors or amendment of this Certificate of Incorporation, and vacancies created by removal or resignation of a director, may be filled by a majority of the directors then in office, though less than a quorum, or by a sole remaining director, and the directors so chosen shall hold office until the next annual election and until their successors are duly elected and shall qualify, unless sooner displaced; provided, however, that where such vacancy occurs among the directors elected by the holders of a class or series of stock, the holders of shares of such class or series may override the Board of Directors' action to fill such vacancy by (i) voting for their own designee to fill such vacancy at a meeting of this Corporation's stockholders or (ii) written consent, if the consenting stockholders hold a sufficient number of shares to elect their designee at a meeting of the stockholders. Any director may be removed during his or her term of office, either with or without cause, by, and only by, the affirmative vote of the holders of the shares of the class or series of stock entitled to elect such director or directors, given either at a special meeting of such stockholders duly called for that purpose or pursuant to a written consent of stockholders, and any vacancy thereby created may be filled by the holders of that class or series of stock represented at the meeting or pursuant to written consent.

6. Preferred Stock Protective Provisions. So long as any shares of Preferred Stock are outstanding, this Corporation shall not (by amendment, merger, consolidation or otherwise) without first obtaining the approval (by vote or written consent, as provided by law) of the Requisite Holders:

(a) alter or change, whether by merger, consolidation, conversion or otherwise, the rights, preferences or privileges of the shares of Preferred Stock so as to affect adversely such shares;

(b) increase or decrease the aggregate number of authorized shares of any class or series of the capital stock of the Corporation;

(c) amend or waive any provision of this Certificate of Incorporation or the Bylaws of the Corporation;

(d) authorize or issue, or obligate itself to issue, whether by merger, consolidation, conversion or otherwise, any equity security, including any other security convertible into or exercisable for any equity security, other than any shares of Common Stock (or options or rights to purchase shares of Common Stock) issued on or after the Filing Date to employees, officers or directors of, or consultants or advisors to, this Corporation pursuant to current stock purchase plans or current stock option plans, or pursuant to similar plans that are approved by the Requisite Holders pursuant to Article IV.B.6(p);

(e) incur aggregate indebtedness in excess of \$250,000;

(f) effect any reclassification or recapitalization of the Preferred Stock;

(g) effect a Liquidation Event;

(h) effect any consolidation, conversion or merger of this Corporation with or into any other corporation or other entity or person, share transfer or any other corporate reorganization, in which the stockholders of this Corporation immediately prior to such consolidation, conversion, merger or reorganization, own less than 50% of this Corporation's voting power immediately after such consolidation, conversion, merger or reorganization (excluding any merger effected exclusively for the purpose of changing the domicile of the Corporation and any transaction or series of related transactions the sole purpose of which is to create a holding company that is owned in substantially the same proportions by the persons who held the Corporation's securities immediately prior to such transaction or series of related transactions) (an "Acquisition");

(i) effect any sale, lease, license, transfer or other disposition, in a single transaction or a series of related transactions, of all or substantially all of the assets, technology or intellectual property of this Corporation, other than non-exclusive licenses granted in the ordinary course of this Corporation's business, or the sale or disposition (whether by merger or otherwise) of one or more subsidiaries of this Corporation if substantially all the assets of this Corporation and its subsidiaries taken as a whole are held by such subsidiary or subsidiaries, except where such sale, lease, transfer, exclusive license or other disposition is to a wholly owned subsidiary of this Corporation (an "Asset Transfer");

(j) increase or decrease the authorized number of directors of the Corporation;

(k) declare or pay dividends or make other distributions on the capital stock of the Corporation;

(l) redeem, purchase or otherwise acquire (or pay into or set aside for a sinking fund for such purpose) any share or shares of Preferred Stock or Common Stock; provided, however, that this restriction shall not apply to (i) the repurchase of shares of Common Stock from employees, officers, directors, consultants or other persons performing services for this Corporation or any subsidiary pursuant to agreements under which this Corporation has the option to repurchase such shares at cost upon the occurrence of certain events, such as the termination of employment or other provision of services to the Corporation or (ii) the redemption of any share or shares of Preferred Stock in accordance with Article IV.B.3;

(m) do any act or thing which would result in taxation of the holders of shares of the Preferred Stock under Section 305 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (or any comparable provision of the Internal Revenue Code as hereafter from time to time amended);

(n) incur any indebtedness in excess of US\$100,000 individually, or in the event of indebtedness individually less than US\$100,000, in excess of US\$250,000 in the aggregate;

(o) consummate a public offering pursuant to a registration statement under the Act or otherwise become subject to the periodic reporting requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended;

(p) adopt or amend, or increase or decrease the aggregate number of shares of Common Stock reserved for issuance pursuant to, any stock option plans or restricted stock purchase plans;

(q) (i) materially change the principal business of this Corporation from the business in which this Corporation is engaged on the date of filing of this Restated Certificate of Incorporation, (ii) enter into a material new line of business in which this Corporation is not engaged on the date of filing of this Certificate of Incorporation, or (iii) cease any material line of business in which the Corporation is engaged on the date of filing of this Certificate of Incorporation;

(r) form any subsidiary (except for a wholly-owned subsidiary), joint venture, partnership or similar business entity or make loans to or investments in any such entity;

(s) enter into any related party transactions, except as those disclosed in the Series F Stock Purchase Agreement or any schedule attached thereto;

(t) allow any subsidiary of the Corporation to issue shares of capital stock of such subsidiary other than to the Corporation;

(u) acquire a material amount of assets through a merger or purchase of all or substantially all of the assets or capital stock of another entity;

(v) amend this Article IV.B.6; or

(w) cause any entity over which the Corporation has, directly or indirectly, a majority of the voting power to take any of the actions set forth in this Article IV.B.6.

For purposes of this Section 6 and Section 7 below, the term conversion refers to the conversion of the Corporation into a different entity type pursuant to Section 266 of the General Corporation Law.

7. Series E Preferred Stock Protective Provisions. So long as any shares of Series E Preferred Stock are outstanding, this Corporation shall not (by amendment, merger, consolidation or otherwise) without first obtaining the approval (by vote or written consent, as provided by law) of the Series E Majority:

- (a) increase or decrease the aggregate number of authorized shares of Series E Preferred Stock;
- (b) amend or waive the final proviso in Article IV.B.2(f) hereof with respect to the Series E Preferred Stock; or
- (c) amend this Article IV.B.7.

8. Series F Preferred Stock Protective Provisions. So long as any shares of Series F Preferred Stock are outstanding, this Corporation shall not (by amendment, merger, consolidation or otherwise) without first obtaining the approval (by vote or written consent, as provided by law) of the Series F Majority:

- (a) increase or decrease the aggregate number of authorized shares of Series F Preferred Stock;
- (b) amend or waive the second-to-final proviso in Article IV.B.2(f) hereof with respect to the Series F Preferred Stock; or
- (c) amend this Article IV.B.8.

9. Status of Redeemed or Converted Stock. In the event any shares of the Preferred Stock shall be redeemed or converted pursuant to Article IV.B.3 or Article IV.B.4, the shares so redeemed or converted shall be cancelled and shall not be issuable by this Corporation. This Certificate of Incorporation shall be appropriately amended to effect the corresponding reduction in this Corporation's authorized capital stock.

C. Common Stock. The rights, preferences, privileges and restrictions granted to and imposed on the Common Stock are as set forth below in this Article IV.C.

1. Dividend Rights. Subject to the prior rights of holders of all classes of stock at the time outstanding having prior rights as to dividends, the holders of the Common Stock shall be entitled to receive, when and as declared by the Board of Directors, out of any assets of this Corporation legally available therefor, such dividends as may be declared from time to time by the Board of Directors.

2. Liquidation Rights. Upon a Liquidation Event, the assets of this Corporation shall be distributed as provided in Article IV.B.2.

3. Redemption. Neither the Corporation nor the holders of Common Stock shall have the unilateral right to call or redeem or cause to have called or redeemed any shares of Common Stock.

4. Voting Rights. The holder of each share of Common Stock shall have the right to one vote for each such share, and shall be entitled to notice of any stockholders' meeting in accordance with the Bylaws of this Corporation, and shall be entitled to vote upon such matters and in such manner as may be provided by law; provided, however, that, except as otherwise required by law, holders of Common Stock, as such, shall not be entitled to vote on any amendment

to the Certificate of Incorporation that relates solely to the terms of one or more outstanding series of Preferred Stock if the holders of such affected series are entitled, either separately or together with the holders of one or more other such series, to vote thereon pursuant to the Certificate of Incorporation or pursuant to the General Corporation Law. The number of authorized shares of Common Stock may be increased or decreased (but not below the number of shares thereof then outstanding) by the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the stock of this Corporation entitled to vote, irrespective of the provisions of Section 242(b)(2) of the General Corporation Law.

ARTICLE V.

Except as otherwise provided in this Certificate of Incorporation, in furtherance and not in limitation of the powers conferred by statute, the Board of Directors is expressly authorized to make, repeal, alter, amend and rescind any or all of the Bylaws of this Corporation.

ARTICLE VI.

Subject to the requirements of Section 5 of Article IV(B) hereof, the number of directors of this Corporation shall be determined in the manner set forth in the Bylaws of this Corporation.

ARTICLE VII.

Elections of directors need not be by written ballot unless the Bylaws of this Corporation shall so provide.

ARTICLE VIII.

Meetings of stockholders may be held within or without the State of Delaware, as the Bylaws of this Corporation may provide. The books of this Corporation may be kept (subject to any provision contained in the statutes) outside the State of Delaware at such place or places as may be designated from time to time by the Board of Directors or in the Bylaws of this Corporation.

ARTICLE IX.

To the fullest extent permitted by law, a director or officer of this Corporation shall not be personally liable to this Corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director or officer. If the General Corporation Law is amended after approval by the stockholders of this Article IX to authorize corporate action further eliminating or limiting the personal liability of directors or officers, then the liability of a director or officer of this Corporation shall be eliminated or limited to the fullest extent permitted by the General Corporation Law as so amended.

Any amendment, repeal or modification of the foregoing provisions of this Article IX by the stockholders of this Corporation shall not adversely affect any right or protection of a director or officer of this Corporation existing at the time of, or increase the liability of any director or officer of this Corporation with respect to any acts or omissions of such director or officer occurring prior to, such amendment, repeal or modification.

ARTICLE X.

This corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change or repeal any provision contained in this Certificate of Incorporation, in the manner now or hereafter prescribed by statute, and, subject to the requirements of Section 6 of Article IV(B) hereof, all rights conferred upon stockholders herein are granted subject to this reservation.

ARTICLE XI.

To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, this Corporation is authorized to provide indemnification of (and advancement of expenses to) directors, officers, employees and agents of this Corporation (and any other persons to which General Corporation Law permits this Corporation to provide indemnification) through Bylaw provisions, agreements with such persons, vote of stockholders or disinterested directors or otherwise, in excess of the indemnification and advancement otherwise permitted by Section 145 of the General Corporation Law.

Any amendment, repeal or modification of the foregoing provisions of this Article XI shall not adversely affect any right or protection of a director, officer, employee, agent or other person existing at the time of, or increase the liability of any such person with respect to any acts or omissions of such person occurring prior to, such amendment, repeal or modification.

ARTICLE XII.

This Corporation renounces, to the fullest extent permitted by law, any interest or expectancy of this Corporation in, or in being offered an opportunity to participate in, any Excluded Opportunity. An “Excluded Opportunity” is any matter, transaction or interest that is presented to, or acquired, created or developed by, or which otherwise comes into the possession of (i) any director of this Corporation who is not an employee of this Corporation or any of its subsidiaries, or (ii) any holder of Preferred Stock or any partner, member, director, stockholder, employee, affiliate or agent of any such holder, other than someone who is an employee of this Corporation or any of its subsidiaries (collectively, the persons referred to in clauses (i) and (ii) are “Covered Persons”), unless such matter, transaction or interest is presented to, or acquired, created or developed by, or otherwise comes into the possession of, a Covered Person expressly and solely in such Covered Person’s capacity as a director of this Corporation while such Covered Person is performing services in such capacity. Any repeal or modification of this Article XII will only be prospective and will not affect the rights under this Article XII in effect at the time of the occurrence of any actions or omissions to act giving rise to liability. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained elsewhere in this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation, the affirmative vote of the Requisite Holders will be required to amend or repeal, or to adopt any provisions inconsistent with this Article XII.

ARTICLE XIII.

In connection with repurchases by this Corporation of its Common Stock from employees, officers, directors, advisors, consultants or other persons performing services for this Corporation or any subsidiary pursuant to agreements under which this Corporation has the option to repurchase such shares at cost upon the occurrence of certain events, such as the termination of employment, Section 500 of the California Corporations Code shall not apply in all or in part with respect to such repurchases. In the case of any such repurchases, distributions by the corporation may be made without regard to the “preferential dividends arrears amount” or any “preferential rights amount,” as such terms are defined in Section 500(b) of the California Corporations Code.

ARTICLE XIV.

A. Forum Selection. Unless this Corporation consents in writing to the selection of an alternative forum, the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware (or, if the Court of Chancery does not have jurisdiction, the federal district court for the District of Delaware) shall, to the fullest extent permitted by law, be the sole and exclusive forum for (i) any derivative action or proceeding brought on behalf of this Corporation, (ii) any action asserting a claim of breach of a fiduciary duty owed by any director, officer or other employee of this Corporation to this Corporation or this Corporation's stockholders, (iii) any action arising pursuant to any provision of the General Corporation Law or this Certificate of Incorporation or the Bylaws (as either may be amended from time to time), or (iv) any action asserting a claim governed by the internal affairs doctrine, except for, as to each of (i) through (iv) above, any claim as to which the Court of Chancery determines that there is an indispensable party not subject to the jurisdiction of the Court of Chancery (and the indispensable party does not consent to the personal jurisdiction of the Court of Chancery within ten (10) days following such determination), which is vested in the exclusive jurisdiction of a court or forum other than the Court of Chancery, or for which the Court of Chancery does not have subject matter jurisdiction. Any person or entity purchasing or otherwise acquiring or holding any interest in shares of capital stock of this Corporation shall be deemed to have notice of and consented to the provisions of this Article XIV.

B. Personal Jurisdiction. If any action the subject matter of which is within the scope of Article XIV(A) is filed in a court other than a court located within the State of Delaware (a "Foreign Action") in the name of any stockholder, such stockholder shall be deemed to have consented to (i) the personal jurisdiction of the state and federal courts located within the State of Delaware in connection with any action brought in any such court to enforce Article XIV(A) (an "FSC Enforcement Action") and (ii) having service of process made upon such stockholder in any such FSC Enforcement Action by service upon such stockholder's counsel in the Foreign Action as agent for such stockholder.

C. Savings. If any provision or provisions of this Article XIV shall be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable as applied to any person or entity or circumstance for any reason whatsoever, then, to the fullest extent permitted by law, the validity, legality and enforceability of such provisions in any other circumstance and of the remaining provisions of this Article XIV (including, without limitation, each portion of any sentence of this Article XIV containing any such provision held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable that is not itself held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable) and the application of such provision to other persons or entities and circumstances shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation has been executed by a duly authorized officer of this corporation on this 27th day of July, 2023.

/s/ Arthur Kuan

Arthur Kuan, Chief Executive Officer

**CERTIFICATE OF AMENDMENT
OF
AMENDED AND RESTATED CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION**

CG Oncology, Inc. (the "Corporation"), which originally filed its Certificate of Incorporation with the Secretary of State of Delaware on November 30, 2017 under the name Cold Genesys, Inc., and is a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the provisions of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "General Corporation Law"), hereby certifies as follows:

1. That the Board of Directors of said Corporation duly adopted resolutions proposing and declaring advisable the following amendments of the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (as amended, the "Certificate") of said Corporation. The resolutions setting forth the proposed amendments are as follows:

RESOLVED, that Article IV, Section A of the Certificate is hereby amended and restated in its entirety as follows:

"A. Classes of Stock. This Corporation is authorized to issue two classes of stock to be designated, respectively, Common Stock and Preferred Stock. The total number of shares which this Corporation is authorized to issue is 831,458,674 shares. 493,530,000 shares shall be Common Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share (the "Common Stock") and 337,928,674 shares shall be Preferred Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share (the "Preferred Stock"). Of the Preferred Stock, 81,587,937 shares shall be designated Series F Preferred Stock (the "Series F Preferred Stock"), 112,422,700 shares shall be designated Series E Preferred Stock (the "Series E Preferred Stock"), 53,271,754 shares shall be designated Series D Preferred Stock (the "Series D Preferred Stock"), 73,598,283 shares shall be designated Series C Preferred Stock (the "Series C Preferred Stock"), 11,973,000 shares shall be designated Series B Preferred Stock (the "Series B Preferred Stock") and 5,075,000 shares shall be designated Series A-1 Preferred Stock (the "Series A-1 Preferred Stock"). The Series A-1 Preferred Stock, the Series B Preferred Stock, the Series C Preferred Stock, the Series D Preferred Stock, the Series E Preferred Stock and the Series F Preferred Stock shall be collectively referred to herein as the "Preferred Stock".

Effective upon the filing of this Certificate of Amendment with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware, a 1-for-9.535 reverse stock split for each share of Common Stock outstanding or held in treasury immediately prior to such time shall automatically and without any action on the part of the holders thereof occur (the "Reverse Stock Split"). The par value of the Common Stock shall remain \$0.0001 per share. This conversion shall apply to all shares of Common Stock. No fractional shares of Common Stock shall be issued upon the Reverse Stock Split or otherwise. In lieu of any fractional shares of Common Stock to which the stockholder would otherwise be entitled upon the Reverse Stock Split, the Corporation shall pay cash equal to such fraction multiplied by the then fair market value of the Common Stock as determined by the Corporation's Board of Directors.

All certificates representing shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately prior to the filing of this Certificate of Amendment shall immediately after the filing of this Certificate of Amendment represent instead the number of shares of Common Stock as provided above. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any holder of Common Stock may (but shall not be required to) surrender his, her or its stock certificate or certificates to the

Corporation, and upon such surrender the holder may request that the Corporation issue a certificate for the correct number of shares of Common Stock to which the holder is entitled under the provisions of this Certificate of Amendment. Shares of Common Stock that were outstanding prior to the filing of this Certificate of Amendment, and that are not outstanding after and as a result of the filing of this Certificate of Amendment, shall resume the status of authorized but unissued shares of Common Stock.”

2. That thereafter, pursuant to a resolution of the Board of Directors and in lieu of a meeting of stockholders, the stockholders gave their approval of said amendment by written consent in accordance with the provisions of Section 228 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.

3. That said amendment was duly adopted in accordance with the provisions of Sections 242 and 228 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.

4. That said amendment shall be executed, filed and recorded in accordance with Section 103 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Certificate of Amendment has been executed by a duly authorized officer of the Corporation on this 16th day of January, 2024.

By: /s/ Arthur Kuan

Name: Arthur Kuan

Title: Chief Executive Officer

**AMENDED AND RESTATED CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION
OF
CG ONCOLOGY, INC.**

CG Oncology, Inc. (the "Corporation"), a corporation organized and existing under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "DGCL"), does hereby certify as follows:

1. The name of the Corporation is CG Oncology, Inc. The Corporation was incorporated under the name Cold Genesys, Inc. by the filing of its original Certificate of Incorporation with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware on November 30, 2017 (as amended from time to time, the "Existing Certificate").

2. This Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (the "Amended and Restated Certificate"), which amends and restates the Existing Certificate in its entirety, has been approved by the Board of Directors of the Corporation (the "Board of Directors") in accordance with Sections 242 and 245 of the DGCL and has been adopted by the written consent of the stockholders of the Corporation in accordance with Section 228 of the DGCL.

3. The text of the Existing Certificate is hereby amended and restated by this Amended and Restated Certificate to read in its entirety as set forth in EXHIBIT A attached hereto.

4. This Amended and Restated Certificate shall become effective on the date of filing with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, CG Oncology, Inc. has caused this Amended and Restated Certificate to be signed by a duly authorized officer of the Corporation, on _____, 2024.

CG ONCOLOGY, INC.

By: _____
Name: Arthur Kuan
Title: Chief Executive Officer

[Signature Page to Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation]

EXHIBIT A

ARTICLE I
NAME

The name of the corporation is CG Oncology, Inc. (the "Corporation").

ARTICLE II
REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The address of the Corporation's registered office in the State of Delaware is 3500 South DuPont Highway, in the City of Dover, County of Kent, 19901, and the name of its registered agent at such address is Incorporating Services, Ltd.

ARTICLE III
PURPOSE

The purpose of the Corporation is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which corporations may be organized under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "DGCL") as it now exists or may hereafter be amended and supplemented.

ARTICLE IV
CAPITAL STOCK

The Corporation is authorized to issue two classes of stock to be designated, respectively, "Common Stock" and "Preferred Stock." The total number of shares of capital stock which the Corporation shall have authority to issue is 770,000,000. The total number of shares of Common Stock that the Corporation is authorized to issue is 700,000,000, having a par value of \$0.0001 per share, and the total number of shares of Preferred Stock that the Corporation is authorized to issue is 70,000,000, having a par value of \$0.0001 per share.

The designations and the powers, privileges and rights, and the qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereof in respect of each class of capital stock of the Corporation are as follows:

A. COMMON STOCK.

1. General. The voting, dividend, liquidation, and other rights and powers of the Common Stock are subject to and qualified by the rights, powers and preferences of any series of Preferred Stock as may be designated by the Board of Directors of the Corporation (the "Board of Directors") and outstanding from time to time.

2. Voting. Except as otherwise provided herein or expressly required by law, each holder of Common Stock, as such, shall be entitled to vote on each matter submitted to a vote of stockholders and shall be entitled to one (1) vote for each share of Common Stock held of record by such holder as of the record date for determining stockholders entitled to vote on such

matter. Except as otherwise required by law, holders of Common Stock, as such, shall not be entitled to vote on any amendment to this Amended and Restated Certificate (including any Certificate of Designation (as defined below)) that relates solely to the rights, powers, preferences (or the qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereof) or other terms of one or more outstanding series of Preferred Stock if the holders of such affected series are entitled, either separately or together with the holders of one or more other such series, to vote thereon pursuant to this Amended and Restated Certificate (including any Certificate of Designation) or pursuant to the DGCL.

Subject to the rights of any holders of any outstanding series of Preferred Stock, the number of authorized shares of Common Stock may be increased or decreased (but not below the number of shares thereof then outstanding) by the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the stock of the Corporation entitled to vote, irrespective of the provisions of Section 242(b)(2) of the DGCL.

3. Dividends. Subject to applicable law and the rights and preferences of any holders of any outstanding series of Preferred Stock, the holders of Common Stock, as such, shall be entitled to the payment of dividends on the Common Stock when, as and if declared by the Board of Directors in accordance with applicable law.

4. Liquidation. Subject to the rights and preferences of any holders of any shares of any outstanding series of Preferred Stock, in the event of any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, whether voluntary or involuntary, the funds and assets of the Corporation that may be legally distributed to the Corporation's stockholders shall be distributed among the holders of the then outstanding Common Stock *pro rata* in accordance with the number of shares of Common Stock held by each such holder.

B. PREFERRED STOCK

Shares of Preferred Stock may be issued from time to time in one or more series, each of such series to have such terms as stated or expressed herein and in the resolution or resolutions providing for the creation and issuance of such series adopted by the Board of Directors as hereinafter provided.

Authority is hereby expressly granted to the Board of Directors from time to time to issue the Preferred Stock in one or more series, and in connection with the creation of any such series, by adopting a resolution or resolutions providing for the issuance of the shares thereof and by filing a certificate of designation relating thereto in accordance with the DGCL (a "Certificate of Designation"), to determine and fix the number of shares of such series and such voting powers, full or limited, or no voting powers, and such designations, preferences and relative participating, optional or other special rights, and qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereof, including without limitation thereof, dividend rights, conversion rights, redemption privileges and

liquidation preferences, and to increase or decrease (but not below the number of shares of such series then outstanding) the number of shares of any series as shall be stated and expressed in such resolutions, all to the fullest extent now or hereafter permitted by the DGCL. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the resolution or resolutions providing for the creation and issuance of any series of Preferred Stock may provide that such series shall be superior or rank equally or be junior to any other series of Preferred Stock to the extent permitted by law and this Amended and Restated Certificate (including any Certificate of Designation). Except as otherwise required by law, holders of any series of Preferred Stock shall be entitled only to such voting rights, if any, as shall expressly be granted thereto by this Amended and Restated Certificate (including any Certificate of Designation).

The number of authorized shares of Preferred Stock may be increased or decreased (but not below the number of shares thereof then outstanding) by the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the stock of the Corporation entitled to vote, irrespective of the provisions of Section 242(b)(2) of the DGCL.

ARTICLE V
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

For the management of the business and for the conduct of the affairs of the Corporation it is further provided that:

A. Subject to the special rights of the holders of one or more outstanding series of Preferred Stock to elect directors, the directors of the Corporation shall be classified with respect to the time for which they severally hold office into three classes, designated as Class I, Class II and Class III. The initial Class I directors shall serve for a term expiring at the first annual meeting of the stockholders following the date of this Amended and Restated Certificate; the initial Class II directors shall serve for a term expiring at the second annual meeting of the stockholders following the date of this Amended and Restated Certificate; and the initial Class III directors shall serve for a term expiring at the third annual meeting of the stockholders following the date of this Amended and Restated Certificate. At each annual meeting of the stockholders of the Corporation beginning with the first annual meeting of the stockholders following the date of this Amended and Restated Certificate, subject to the special rights of the holders of one or more outstanding series of Preferred Stock to elect directors, the successors of the class of directors whose term expires at that meeting shall be elected to hold office for a term expiring at the annual meeting of the stockholders held in the third year following the year of their election. Each director shall hold office until his or her successor is duly elected and qualified or until his or her earlier death, resignation, disqualification or removal. No decrease in the number of directors shall shorten the term of any incumbent director. The Board of Directors is authorized to assign members of the Board of Directors already in office to Class I, Class II and Class III.

B. Except as otherwise expressly provided by the DGCL or this Amended and Restated Certificate, the business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by or under the direction of the Board of Directors. The number of directors which shall constitute the whole Board of Directors shall be fixed exclusively by one or more resolutions adopted from time to time by the Board of Directors.

C. Subject to the special rights of the holders of one or more outstanding series of Preferred Stock to elect directors, the Board of Directors or any individual director may be removed from office at any time, but only for cause and only by the affirmative vote of the holders of at least two-thirds (66 and 2/3%) of the voting power of all of the then outstanding shares of voting stock of the Corporation entitled to vote at an election of directors.

D. Subject to the special rights of the holders of one or more outstanding series of Preferred Stock to elect directors, except as otherwise provided by law, any vacancies on the Board of Directors resulting from death, resignation, disqualification, retirement, removal or other causes and any newly created directorships resulting from any increase in the number of directors shall be filled exclusively by the affirmative vote of a majority of the directors then in office, even though less than a quorum, or by a sole remaining director (other than any directors elected by the separate vote of one or more outstanding series of Preferred Stock), and shall not be filled by the stockholders. Any director appointed in accordance with the preceding sentence shall hold office until the expiration of the term of the class to which such director shall have been appointed or until his or her earlier death, resignation, retirement, disqualification, or removal.

E. Whenever the holders of any one or more series of Preferred Stock issued by the Corporation shall have the right, voting separately as a series or separately as a class with one or more such other series, to elect directors at an annual or special meeting of stockholders, the election, term of office, removal and other features of such directorships shall be governed by the terms of this Amended and Restated Certificate (including any Certificate of Designation). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Article V, the number of directors that may be elected by the holders of any such series of Preferred Stock shall be in addition to the number fixed pursuant to paragraph B of this Article V, and the total number of directors constituting the whole Board of Directors shall be automatically adjusted accordingly. Except as otherwise provided in the Certificate of Designation(s) in respect of one or more series of Preferred Stock, whenever the holders of any series of Preferred Stock having such right to elect additional directors are divested of such right pursuant to the provisions of such Certificate of Designation(s), the terms of office of all such additional directors elected by the holders of such series of Preferred Stock, or elected to fill any vacancies resulting from the death, resignation, disqualification or removal of such additional directors, shall forthwith terminate (in which case each such director thereupon shall cease to be qualified as, and shall cease to be, a director) and the total authorized number of directors of the Corporation shall automatically be reduced accordingly.

F. In furtherance and not in limitation of the powers conferred by statute, the Board of Directors is expressly authorized to adopt, amend or repeal the Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Corporation (as amended and/or restated from time to time, the “Bylaws”). In addition to any vote of the holders of any class or series of stock of the Corporation required by applicable law or by this Amended and Restated Certificate (including any Certificate of Designation in respect of one or more series of Preferred Stock) or the Bylaws of the Corporation, the adoption, amendment or repeal of the Bylaws of the Corporation by the stockholders of the Corporation shall require the affirmative vote of the holders of at least two-thirds (66 and 2/3%) of the voting power of all of the then outstanding shares of voting stock of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in an election of directors.

G. The directors of the Corporation need not be elected by written ballot unless the Bylaws so provide.

ARTICLE VI **STOCKHOLDERS**

A. Any action required or permitted to be taken by the stockholders of the Corporation must be effected at an annual or special meeting of the stockholders of the Corporation, and shall not be taken by written consent in lieu of a meeting. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any action required or permitted to be taken by the holders of any series of Preferred Stock, voting separately as a series or separately as a class with one or more other such series, may be taken without a meeting, without prior notice and without a vote, to the extent expressly so provided by the applicable Certificate of Designation relating to such series of Preferred Stock, if a consent or consents in writing, setting forth the action so taken, shall be signed by the holders of outstanding shares of the relevant series of Preferred Stock having not less than the minimum number of votes that would be necessary to authorize or take such action at a meeting at which all shares entitled to vote thereon were present and voted and shall be delivered to the Corporation in accordance with the applicable provisions of the DGCL.

B. Subject to the special rights of the holders of one or more series of Preferred Stock, special meetings of the stockholders of the Corporation may be called, for any purpose or purposes, at any time only by or at the direction of the Board of Directors, the Chairperson of the Board of Directors, the Chief Executive Officer or the President, and shall not be called by any other person or persons.

C. Advance notice of stockholder nominations for the election of directors and of other business proposed to be brought by stockholders before any meeting of the stockholders of the Corporation shall be given in the manner provided in the Bylaws of the Corporation.

ARTICLE VII **LIABILITY**

No director or officer of the Corporation shall have any personal liability to the Corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for any breach of fiduciary duty as a director or officer, except to the extent such exemption from liability or limitation thereof is not permitted under the DGCL as the same exists or hereafter may be amended. Any amendment, repeal or modification of this Article VII, or the adoption of any provision of the Amended and Restated Certificate inconsistent with this Article VII, shall not adversely affect any right or protection of a director or officer of the Corporation with respect to any act or omission occurring prior to such amendment, repeal, modification or adoption. If the DGCL is amended after approval by the stockholders of this Article VII to authorize corporate action further eliminating or limiting the personal liability of directors or officers, then the liability of a director or officer of the Corporation shall be eliminated or limited to the fullest extent permitted by the DGCL as so amended.

ARTICLE VIII **INDEMNIFICATION**

The Corporation shall have the power to provide rights to indemnification and advancement of expenses to its current and former officers, directors, employees and agents and to any person who is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise.

ARTICLE IX **FORUM SELECTION**

Unless the Corporation consents in writing to the selection of an alternative forum, (a) the Court of Chancery (the "Chancery Court") of the State of Delaware (or, in the event that the Chancery Court does not have jurisdiction, the federal district court for the District of Delaware or other state courts of the State of Delaware) shall, to the fullest extent permitted by law, be the sole and exclusive forum for (i) any derivative action, suit or proceeding ("Proceeding") brought on behalf of the Corporation, (ii) any Proceeding asserting a claim of breach of a fiduciary duty owed by any director, officer or stockholder of the Corporation to the Corporation or to the Corporation's stockholders, (iii) any Proceeding arising pursuant to any provision of the DGCL, this Amended and Restated Certificate or the Bylaws (in each case, as may be amended from time to time) or (iv) any Proceeding asserting a claim against the Corporation governed by the internal affairs doctrine; and (b) subject to the preceding provisions of this Article IX, to the extent permitted by applicable law, the federal district courts of the United States of America shall be the exclusive forum for the resolution of any complaint asserting a cause of action arising under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. If any action the subject matter of which is within the scope of clause (a) of the immediately preceding sentence is filed in a court other than the courts in the State of Delaware (a "Foreign Action"), such stockholder shall be deemed to have consented to (x) the personal jurisdiction of the state and federal courts in the State of Delaware in connection with any action brought in any such court to enforce the provisions of

clause (a) of the immediately preceding sentence and (y) having service of process made upon such stockholder in any such action by service upon such stockholder's counsel in the Foreign Action as agent for such stockholder. If any action the subject matter of which is within the scope of clause (b) of this Article IX is filed in a court other than the federal district courts of the United States of America (a "Foreign Securities Act Action") in the name of any stockholder, such stockholder shall be deemed to have consented to (i) the personal jurisdiction of the federal district courts of the United States of America in connection with any action brought in any such court to enforce clause (b) (a "Securities Act Enforcement Action"), and (ii) having service of process made upon such stockholder in any such Securities Act Enforcement Action by service upon such stockholder's counsel in the Foreign Securities Act Action as agent for such stockholder.

For the avoidance of doubt, clause (b) of this Article IX is intended to benefit and may be enforced by the Corporation, its officers and directors, the underwriters to any offering giving rise to any Proceeding, and any other professional or entity whose profession gives authority to a statement made by that person or entity and who has prepared or certified any part of the documents underlying the offering.

Any person or entity purchasing or otherwise acquiring any interest in any security of the Corporation shall be deemed to have notice of and consented to this Article IX. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the provisions of this Article IX shall not apply to suits brought to enforce any liability or duty created by the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or any other claim for which the federal courts of the United States have exclusive jurisdiction.

If any provision or provisions of this Article IX shall be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable as applied to any circumstance for any reason whatsoever, (i) the validity, legality and enforceability of such provisions in any other circumstance and of the remaining provisions of this Article IX (including, without limitation, each portion of any paragraph of this Article IX containing any such provision held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable that is not itself held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable) shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby and (ii) the application of such provision to other persons or entities and circumstances shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

ARTICLE X AMENDMENTS

A. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Amended and Restated Certificate to the contrary, in addition to any vote required by applicable law, the following provisions in this Amended and Restated Certificate may be amended, altered, repealed or rescinded, in whole or in part, or any provision inconsistent therewith or herewith may be adopted, only by the affirmative vote of the holders of at least two-thirds (66 and 2/3%) of the total voting power of all the then outstanding shares of stock of the Corporation entitled to vote thereon, voting

together as a single class: Part B of Article IV, Article V, Article VI, Article VII, Article VIII, Article IX and this Article X.

B. If any provision or provisions of this Amended and Restated Certificate shall be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable as applied to any circumstance for any reason whatsoever: (i) the validity, legality and enforceability of such provisions in any other circumstance and of the remaining provisions of this Amended and Restated Certificate (including, without limitation, each portion of any paragraph of this Amended and Restated Certificate containing any such provision held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable that is not itself held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable) shall not, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, in any way be affected or impaired thereby and (ii) to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, the provisions of this Amended and Restated Certificate (including, without limitation, each such portion of any paragraph of this Amended and Restated Certificate containing any such provision held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable) shall be construed so as to permit the Corporation to protect its directors, officers, employees and agents from personal liability in respect of their good faith service to or for the benefit of the Corporation to the fullest extent permitted by law.

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INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE

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THIS CERTIFIES THAT:

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IS THE OWNER OF

FULLY PAID AND NON-ASSESSABLE SHARES OF COMMON STOCK OF \$0.0001 PAR VALUE EACH OF

CG Oncology, Inc.

transferable on the books of the Corporation by the holder thereof in person or by duly authorized attorney upon surrender of this certificate duly endorsed or assigned. This certificate and the shares represented hereby are subject to the laws of the State of Delaware, and to the Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws of the Corporation, as now or hereafter amended.

This certificate is not valid until countersigned by the Transfer Agent.

WITNESS the facsimile seal of the Corporation and the facsimile signatures of its duly authorized officers.

DATED:



COUNTERSIGNED: BROADRIDGE CORPORATE ISSUER SOLUTIONS, LLC
TRANSFER AGENT

BY: AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

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CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

The following abbreviations, when used in the inscription on the face of this certificate, shall be construed as though they were written out in full according to applicable laws or regulations:

TEN COM - as tenants in common
TEN ENT - as tenants by the entireties
JT TEN - as joint tenants with right of survivorship and not as tenants in common

UNIF GIFT MIN ACT -Custodian.....
(Cust) (Minor)
under Uniform Gifts to Minors Act
(State)

Additional abbreviations may also be used though not in the above list.

For Value Received, _____ hereby sell, assign and transfer unto

PLEASE INSERT SOCIAL SECURITY OR OTHER IDENTIFYING NUMBER OF ASSIGNEE

(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE NAME AND ADDRESS, INCLUDING ZIP CODE, OF ASSIGNEE)

_____ Shares
of the stock represented by the within Certificate, and do hereby irrevocably constitute and appoint

_____ Attorney
to transfer the said stock on the books of the within named Corporation with full power of substitution in the premises.

Dated _____

NOTICE: THE SIGNATURE TO THIS ASSIGNMENT MUST CORRESPOND WITH THE NAME AS WRITTEN UPON THE FACE OF THE CERTIFICATE IN EVERY PARTICULAR, WITHOUT ALTERATION OR ENLARGEMENT OR ANY CHANGE WHATSOEVER.

Signature(s) Guaranteed

By _____

The Signature(s) must be guaranteed by an eligible guarantor institution (Banks, Stockbrokers, Savings and Loan Associations and Credit Unions with membership in an approved Signature Guarantee Medallion Program), pursuant to SEC Rule 17Ad-15.

THE CORPORATION WILL FURNISH TO ANY STOCKHOLDER, UPON REQUEST AND WITHOUT CHARGE, A FULL STATEMENT OF THE DESIGNATIONS, RELATIVE RIGHTS, PREFERENCES AND LIMITATIONS OF THE SHARES OF EACH CLASS AND SERIES AUTHORIZED TO BE ISSUED, SO FAR AS THE SAME HAVE BEEN DETERMINED, AND OF THE AUTHORITY, IF ANY, OF THE BOARD TO DIVIDE THE SHARES INTO CLASSES OR SERIES AND TO DETERMINE AND CHANGE THE RELATIVE RIGHTS, PREFERENCES AND LIMITATIONS OF ANY CLASS OR SERIES. SUCH REQUEST MAY BE MADE TO THE SECRETARY OF THE CORPORATION OR TO THE TRANSFER AGENT NAMED ON THIS CERTIFICATE.

CG ONCOLOGY, INC.

AMENDED AND RESTATED

**INVESTORS' RIGHTS AGREEMENT
(AS AMENDED)**

DATED: July 28, 2023

CG ONCOLOGY, INC.
AMENDED AND RESTATED
INVESTORS' RIGHTS AGREEMENT

THIS AMENDED AND RESTATED INVESTORS' RIGHTS AGREEMENT (this "Agreement") is made as of July 28, 2023 by and among **CG ONCOLOGY, INC.**, a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), as amended, and the investors listed on Schedule A hereto (each an "Investor" and collectively the "Investors").

RECITALS

WHEREAS, certain of the Investors (the "Existing Investors") hold shares of Series A-1 Preferred Stock of the Company (the "Series A-1 Preferred Stock"), shares of Series B Preferred Stock of the Company (the "Series B Preferred Stock"), shares of Series C Preferred Stock of the Company (the "Series C Preferred Stock"), shares of Series D Preferred stock of the Company (the "Series D Preferred Stock"), shares of Series E Preferred stock of the Company (the "Series E Preferred Stock") and/or shares of Common Stock of the Company (the "Common Stock") issued upon conversion thereof and possess registration rights, information rights, rights of first offer and other rights pursuant to that certain Amended and Restated Investors' Rights Agreement dated as of September 30, 2022 by and among the Company and such Existing Investors (the "Prior Agreement");

WHEREAS, the Prior Agreement may be amended, and any provision therein waived, with the consent of the Company and the holders of at least 75% of the Registrable Securities then outstanding (as such term is defined in the Prior Agreement);

WHEREAS, the Existing Investors as holders of at least 75% of the Registrable Securities outstanding desire to terminate the Prior Agreement and to accept the rights created pursuant hereto in lieu of the rights granted to them under the Prior Agreement; and

WHEREAS, certain Investors are parties to that certain Series F Preferred Stock Purchase Agreement of even date herewith by and among the Company and certain of the Investors (the "Series F Stock Purchase Agreement"), which provides that as a condition to the closing of the sale of the Series F Preferred Stock of the Company (the "Series F Preferred Stock" and collectively with the Series A-1 Preferred Stock, Series B Preferred Stock, the Series C Preferred Stock, Series D Preferred Stock and the Series E Preferred Stock, the "Preferred Stock"), this Agreement must be executed and delivered by such Investors, Existing Investors holding at least 75% of the Registrable Securities outstanding, and the Company.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises and covenants set forth herein, the Company and the Existing Investors hereby agree that the Prior Agreement shall be superseded and replaced in its entirety by this Agreement, and the parties hereto further agree as follows:

1. Registration Rights. The Company covenants and agrees as follows:

1.1 Definitions. For purposes of this Section 1:

(a) The term “Act” means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

(b) The term “Form S-3” means such form under the Act as in effect on the date hereof or any registration form under the Act subsequently adopted by the SEC that permits inclusion or incorporation of substantial information by reference to other documents filed by the Company with the SEC.

(c) The term “Holder” means any person owning or having the right to acquire Registrable Securities or any assignee thereof in accordance with Section 1.11 hereof.

(d) The term “Initial Public Offering” means the first firm commitment underwritten public offering of securities of the Company pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Act (other than a registration statement relating either to the sale of securities to employees of the Company pursuant to a stock option, stock purchase or similar plan or an SEC Rule 145 transaction).

(e) The term “1934 Act” means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

(f) The term “register,” “registered,” and “registration” refer to a registration effected by preparing and filing a registration statement or similar document in compliance with the Act, and the declaration or ordering of effectiveness of such registration statement or document.

(g) The term “Registrable Securities” means the Common Stock issuable or issued upon conversion of the Company’s Preferred Stock and any Common Stock of the Company issued as (or issuable upon the conversion or exercise of any warrant, right or other security that is issued as) a dividend or other distribution with respect to, or in exchange for, or in replacement of, the shares referenced above, excluding in all cases, however, any Registrable Securities sold by a person (x) in a transaction in which his, her or its rights under this Section 1 are not assigned, (y) pursuant to a registration statement under the Act that has been declared effective and such Registrable Securities have been disposed of pursuant to such effective registration statement, or (z) in a transaction in which such Registrable Securities are sold pursuant to Rule 144 (or any similar provision then in force) under the Act; excluding for purposes of Section 1 and Section 3.8 any shares for which registration rights have terminated pursuant to Section 1.14 of this Agreement.

(h) The number of shares of “Registrable Securities then outstanding” shall be determined by the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding that are, and the number of shares of Common Stock issuable pursuant to then exercisable or convertible securities that are, Registrable Securities.

(i) The term “Restated Certificate” shall mean the Company’s current Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation, as duly filed with the Delaware Secretary of State.

(j) The term “SEC” shall mean the Securities and Exchange Commission.

(k) The term “QIPO” shall have the same meaning as set forth in the Restated Certificate.

1.2 Request for Registration.

(a) Subject to the conditions of this Section 1.2, if the Company shall receive at any time after the earlier of (i) five (5) years after the date of this Agreement or (ii) six (6) months after the effective date of the Initial Public Offering, a written request from the Holders of twenty-five percent (25%) or more of the Registrable Securities then outstanding (the “Initiating Holders”) that the Company file a registration statement under the Act covering the registration of Registrable Securities, then the Company shall, within twenty (20) days of the receipt thereof, give written notice of such request to all Holders, and subject to the limitations of this Section 1.2, use best efforts to effect, as soon as practicable, the registration under the Act of all Registrable Securities that the Holders request to be registered in a written request received by the Company within twenty (20) days of the mailing of the Company’s notice pursuant to this Section 1.2(a).

(b) If the Initiating Holders intend to distribute the Registrable Securities covered by their request by means of an underwriting, they shall so advise the Company as a part of their request made pursuant to this Section 1.2 and the Company shall include such information in the written notice referred to in this Section 1.2(a). In such event the right of any Holder to include its Registrable Securities in such registration shall be conditioned upon such Holder’s participation in such underwriting and the inclusion of such Holder’s Registrable Securities in the underwriting (unless otherwise mutually agreed by a majority in interest of the Initiating Holders and such Holder) to the extent provided herein. All Holders proposing to distribute their securities through such underwriting shall enter into an underwriting agreement in customary form with the underwriter or underwriters selected for such underwriting by a majority in interest of the Initiating Holders. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section 1.2, if the underwriter advises the Company that marketing factors require a limitation of the number of securities underwritten (including Registrable Securities), then the Company shall so advise all Holders of Registrable Securities that would otherwise be underwritten pursuant hereto, and the number of shares that may be included in the underwriting shall be allocated to the Holders of such Registrable Securities on a pro rata basis (as nearly as practicable) based on the number of Registrable Securities held by all such Holders (including the Initiating Holders), provided that no Registrable Securities shall be excluded unless and until all other securities of the Company have been excluded; and provided further that at least 33% of the Registrable Securities requested to be included in such underwriting are in fact so included. Any Registrable Securities excluded or withdrawn from such underwriting shall be withdrawn from the registration.

(c) In addition, the Company shall not be required to effect a registration pursuant to this Section 1.2:

(i) after the Company has effected three (3) registrations pursuant to this Section 1.2, and such registrations have been declared or ordered effective;

(ii) If the Company has effected a registration pursuant to this Section 1.2 within the preceding twelve (12) months, and such registration has been declared or ordered effective;

(iii) If the Initiating Holders, together with the holders of any other securities of the Company entitled to inclusion in such registration statement, propose to sell Registrable Securities and such other securities (if any) and the aggregate proceeds of which (after deduction for underwriter's discounts and expenses related to the issuance) are less than US\$5,000,000;

(iv) during the period starting with the date sixty (60) days prior to the Company's good faith estimate of the date of filing of, and ending on a date one hundred eighty (180) days following the effective date of, a Company-initiated registration subject to Section 1.3, provided that the Company is actively employing in good faith all reasonable efforts to cause such registration statement to become effective;

(v) if the Initiating Holders propose to dispose of Registrable Securities that may be registered on Form S-3 pursuant to Section 1.4;

(vi) if the Company shall furnish to Holders requesting a registration pursuant to this Section 1.2, a certificate signed by the Company's Chief Executive Officer or Chairman of the Board stating that in the good faith judgment of the Board of Directors of the Company, it would be seriously detrimental to the Company and its stockholders for such registration to be effected at such time, in which event the Company shall have the right to defer such filing for a period of not more than ninety (90) days after receipt of the request of the Initiating Holders, provided that such right to delay a request shall be exercised by the Company not more than once in any twelve (12)-month period and provided further, that the Company shall not register any other of its shares during such ninety (90) days; or

(vii) in any particular jurisdiction in which the Company would be required to execute a general consent to service of process in effecting such registration, unless the Company is already subject to service in such jurisdiction and except as may be required under the Act.

1.3 Company Registration.

(a) If (but without any obligation to do so) the Company proposes to register (including for this purpose a registration effected by the Company for stockholders other than the Holders) any of its stock or other securities under the Act in connection with the public offering of such securities (other than a registration relating solely to the sale of securities to participants in a Company stock plan, a registration relating to a corporate reorganization or other transaction under Rule 145 of the Act, a registration on any form that does not include substantially the same information as would be required to be included in a registration statement covering the sale of the Registrable Securities, or a registration in which the only Common Stock being registered is Common Stock issuable upon conversion of debt securities that

are also being registered), the Company shall, at such time, promptly give each Holder written notice of such registration. Upon the written request of each Holder given within ten (10) days after mailing of such notice by the Company, the Company shall, subject to the provisions of Section 1.5(e), use commercially reasonable efforts to cause to be registered under the Act all of the Registrable Securities that each such Holder has requested to be registered.

(b) Right to Terminate Registration. The Company shall have the right to terminate or withdraw any registration initiated by it under this Section 1.3 prior to the effectiveness of such registration whether or not any Holder has elected to include securities in such registration. The expenses of such withdrawn registration shall be borne by the Company in accordance with Section 1.7 hereof.

1.4 Form S-3 Registration. In case the Company shall receive from any Holder of the Registrable Securities then outstanding a written request or requests that the Company effect a registration on Form S-3 and any related qualification or compliance with respect to all or a part of the Registrable Securities owned by such Holder, the Company shall:

(a) promptly give written notice of the proposed registration, and any related qualification or compliance, to all other Holders; and

(b) use best efforts to effect, as soon as practicable, such registration and all such qualifications and compliances as may be so requested and as would permit or facilitate the sale and distribution of all or such portion of such Holders' Registrable Securities as are specified in such request, together with all or such portion of the Registrable Securities of any other Holders joining in such request as are specified in a written request given within twenty (20) days after receipt of such written notice from the Company, provided, however, that the Company shall not be obligated to effect any such registration, qualification or compliance, pursuant to this Section 1.4:

(i) if Form S-3 is not available for such offering by the Holders;

(ii) if the Holders, together with the holders of any other securities of the Company entitled to inclusion in such registration, propose to sell Registrable Securities and such other securities (if any) at an aggregate price to the public of less than US\$1,000,000;

(iii) in the circumstances described in Sections 1.2(c)(iv) and 1.2(c)(vi); and

(iv) prior to the earlier of (A) the five (5) year anniversary of the date of this Agreement or (B) six (6) months after the effective date of the Initial Public Offering.

(c) Subject to the foregoing, the Company shall file a registration statement covering the Registrable Securities and other securities so requested to be registered as soon as practicable after receipt of the request or requests of the Holders; provided, however, the provisions of Section 1.2(c)(vi) shall apply to any registration pursuant to this Section 1.4. Registrations effected pursuant to this Section 1.4 shall not be counted as requests for registration effected pursuant to Section 1.2 or Section 1.3.

1.5 Obligations of the Company. Whenever required under this Section 1 to effect the registration of any Registrable Securities, the Company shall, as expeditiously as reasonably possible:

(a) prepare and file with the SEC a registration statement with respect to such Registrable Securities and use best efforts to cause such registration statement to become effective, and, upon the request of the Holders of a majority of the Registrable Securities registered thereunder, keep such registration statement effective for a period of up to one hundred eighty (180) days or, if earlier, until the distribution contemplated in the registration statement has been completed; provided, however, that (i) such 180-day period shall be extended for a period of time equal to the period the Holder refrains from selling any securities included in such registration at the request of an underwriter of Common Stock (or other securities) of the Company; and (ii) in the case of any registration of Registrable Securities on Form S-3 which are intended to be offered on a continuous or delayed basis, such 180-day period shall be extended, if necessary, to keep the registration statement effective until all such Registrable Securities are sold, provided that Rule 415, or any successor rule under the Act, permits an offering on a continuous or delayed basis, and provided further that applicable rules under the Act governing the obligation to file a post-effective amendment permit, in lieu of filing a post-effective amendment which (I) includes any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Act or (II) reflects facts or events representing a material or fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement, the incorporation by reference of information required to be included in (I) and (II) above to be contained in periodic reports filed pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the 1934 Act in the registration statement;

(b) prepare and file with the SEC such amendments and supplements to such registration statement and the prospectus used in connection with such registration statement as may be necessary to comply with the provisions of the Act with respect to the disposition of all securities covered by such registration statement;

(c) furnish to each Holder (i) a draft copy of the registration statement, and (ii) such numbers of copies of a prospectus, including a preliminary prospectus, in conformity with the requirements of the Act, and such other documents as it may reasonably request in order to facilitate the disposition of Registrable Securities owned by it;

(d) use best efforts to register and qualify the securities covered by such registration statement under such other securities or “blue sky” laws of such jurisdictions as shall be reasonably requested by the Holders, provided that the Company shall not be required in connection therewith or as a condition thereto to qualify to do business, where not otherwise required, or to file a general consent to service of process in any such states or jurisdictions, unless the Company is already subject to service in such jurisdiction and except as may be required by the Act;

(e) in the event of any underwritten public offering, enter into and perform its obligations under an underwriting agreement, in usual and customary form, with the managing underwriter of such offering. Each Holder participating in such underwriting shall also enter into and perform its obligations under such an agreement. In connection with any offering involving an underwriting of shares of the Company's capital stock, the Company shall not be required to include any of the Holders' securities in such underwriting unless they accept the terms of the underwriting as agreed upon between the Company and the underwriters selected by a majority of the Holders and enter into an underwriting agreement in customary form with the underwriters. If the total amount of securities, including Registrable Securities, requested by stockholders to be included in such offering exceeds the amount of securities sold other than by the Company that the underwriters determine in their sole discretion is compatible with the success of the offering, then subject to Section 1.2 above, the Company shall be required to include in the offering only that number of such securities, including Registrable Securities, that the underwriters determine in their sole discretion will not jeopardize the success of the offering (the securities so included to be apportioned pro rata among the selling stockholders according to the total amount of securities entitled to be included therein owned by each selling stockholder or in such other proportions as shall mutually be agreed to by such selling stockholders, except that no Registrable Securities of Holders shall be excluded until all Common Stock held by directors, officers and employees of the Company have been excluded), but in no event shall the amount of securities of the selling Holders included in the offering be reduced below thirty-three percent (33%) of the total amount of securities included in such offering, unless such offering is the Initial Public Offering of the Company's securities, in which case the selling stockholders may be excluded if the underwriters make the determination described above and no other stockholder's securities are included. For purposes of the preceding parenthetical concerning apportionment, for any selling stockholder that is a Holder of Registrable Securities and that is a partnership, limited liability company or corporation, the partners, retired partners, members, retired members and stockholders of such Holder, or the estates and family members of any such partners, retired partners, members, retired members, and any trusts for the benefit of any of the foregoing persons shall be deemed to be a single "selling stockholder," and any pro rata reduction with respect to such "selling stockholder" shall be based upon the aggregate amount of Registrable Securities owned by all entities and individuals included in such "selling stockholder," as defined in this sentence;

(f) notify each Holder of Registrable Securities covered by such registration statement, at any time when a prospectus relating thereto is required to be delivered under the Act, of (i) the issuance of any stop order by the SEC in respect of such registration statement, or (ii) the happening of any event as a result of which the prospectus included in such registration statement, as then in effect, includes an untrue statement of a material fact or omits to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading in the light of the circumstances then existing;

(g) cause all such Registrable Securities registered pursuant hereunder to be listed on each securities exchange on which similar securities issued by the Company are then listed; provided that in the case of a registration effected pursuant to Section 1.2 above, which registration constitutes the Initial Public Offering, the Registrable Securities shall be listed on a national securities exchange or the NASDAQ Global Market system; and

(h) provide a transfer agent and registrar for all Registrable Securities registered pursuant hereunder and a CUSIP number for all such Registrable Securities, in each case not later than the effective date of such registration.

1.6 Information from Holder.

(a) It shall be a condition precedent to the obligations of the Company to take any action pursuant to this Section 1 with respect to the Registrable Securities of any selling Holder that such Holder shall furnish to the Company such information regarding itself, the Registrable Securities held by it, and the intended method of disposition of such securities as shall be reasonably required to effect the registration of such Holder's Registrable Securities.

(b) The Company shall have no obligation with respect to any registration requested pursuant to Section 1.2 if, due to the operation of subsection 1.6(a), the number of shares or the anticipated aggregate offering price of the Registrable Securities to be included in the registration does not equal or exceed the number of shares or the anticipated aggregate offering price required to originally trigger the Company's obligation to initiate such registration as specified in subsection 1.2(a).

1.7 Expenses of Registration. All expenses other than underwriting discounts and commissions incurred in connection with registrations, filings or qualifications pursuant to Sections 1.2 and 1.3, including, without limitation, all registration, filing and qualification fees (including "blue sky" fees), printers' and accounting fees, fees and disbursements of counsel for the Company (including fees and disbursements of counsel for the Company in its capacity as counsel to the selling Holders hereunder; if Company counsel does not make itself available for this purpose, the Company will pay the reasonable fees and disbursements of one counsel for the selling Holders not to exceed US\$50,000) shall be borne by the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company shall not be required to pay for any expenses of any registration proceeding begun pursuant to Sections 1.2 and 1.4 if the registration request is subsequently withdrawn at the request of the Holders of a majority of the Registrable Securities to be registered (in which case all participating Holders shall bear such expenses pro rata based upon the number of Registrable Securities that were to be registered in the withdrawn registration), provided, however, that if at the time of such withdrawal, the Holders have learned of a material adverse change in the condition, business or prospects of the Company from that known to the Holders at the time of their request and have withdrawn the request with reasonable promptness following disclosure by the Company of such material adverse change, then the Holders shall not be required to pay any of such expenses and shall retain their rights pursuant to Section 1.2 or 1.4.

1.8 Delay of Registration. No Holder shall have any right to obtain or seek an injunction restraining or otherwise delaying any such registration as the result of any controversy that might arise with respect to the interpretation or implementation of this Section 1.

1.9 Indemnification. In the event any Registrable Securities are included in a registration statement under this Section 1:

(a) To the extent permitted by law, the Company will indemnify and hold harmless each Holder, the partners or officers, directors and stockholders of each Holder, legal counsel and accountants for each Holder, any underwriter (as defined in the Act) for such Holder and each person, if any, who controls such Holder or underwriter, within the meaning of the Act or the 1934 Act, against any losses, claims, damages or liabilities (joint or several) to which they may become subject under the Act, the 1934 Act or any state securities laws, insofar as such

losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) arise out of or are based upon any of the following statements, omissions or violations (collectively a "Violation"): (i) any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in such registration statement, including any preliminary prospectus or final prospectus contained therein or any amendments or supplements thereto, (ii) the omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein, or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, or (iii) any violation or alleged violation by the Company of the Act, the 1934 Act, any state securities laws or any rule or regulation promulgated under the Act, the 1934 Act or any state securities laws; and the Company will reimburse each such Holder, partner, officer, director, stockholder, counsel, accountant, underwriter or controlling person for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by them in connection with investigating or defending any such loss, claim, damage, liability or action as such expenses are incurred; provided that the Company will not be liable in any such case to the extent that any such claim, loss, damage, liability, or action arises out of or is based on any untrue statement or omission based upon written information furnished to the Company by such Holder, any of such Holder's officers, directors, partners, legal counsel or accountants, any person controlling such Holder, such underwriter or any person who controls any such underwriter, and stated to be specifically for use therein; and provided, further that the indemnity agreement contained in this Section 1.9(a) shall not apply to amounts paid in settlement of any such loss, claim, damage, liability or action if such settlement is effected without the consent of the Company (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld), nor shall the Company be liable in any such case for any such loss, claim, damage, liability or action to the extent that it arises out of or is based upon a Violation that occurs in reliance upon and in conformity with information furnished expressly for use in connection with such registration by any such Holder, partner, officer, director, stockholder, counsel, accountant, underwriter or controlling person.

(b) To the extent permitted by law, each selling Holder, on a several and not joint basis, will indemnify and hold harmless the Company, each of its directors, each of its officers who has signed the registration statement, each person, if any, who controls the Company within the meaning of the Act, any underwriter, any other stockholder selling securities in such registration statement and any controlling person of any such underwriter or other stockholder, against any losses, claims, damages or liabilities (joint or several) to which any of the foregoing persons may become subject, under the Act, the 1934 Act or any state securities laws, insofar as such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereto) arise out of or are based upon any Violation (but excluding clause (iii) of the definition thereof), in each case to the extent (and only to the extent) that such Violation occurs in reliance upon and in conformity with information furnished by such Holder expressly for use in connection with such registration; and each such Holder will reimburse any person intended to be indemnified pursuant to this Section 1.9(b) for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by such person in connection with investigating or defending any such loss, claim, damage, liability or action; provided, however, that the indemnity agreement contained in this Section 1.9(b) shall not apply to amounts paid in settlement of any such loss, claim, damage, liability or action if such settlement is effected without the consent of the Holder, provided that in no event shall any indemnity under this Section 1.9(b) exceed the net proceeds from the offering received by such Holder.

(c) Promptly after receipt by an indemnified party under this Section 1.9 of actual knowledge of the commencement of any action (including any governmental action), such indemnified party will, if a claim in respect thereof is to be made against any indemnifying party under this Section 1.9, deliver to the indemnifying party a written notice of the commencement thereof and the indemnifying party shall have the right to participate in, and, to the extent the indemnifying party so desires, jointly with any other indemnifying party similarly notified, to assume the defense thereof with counsel mutually satisfactory to the parties; provided, however, that an indemnified party (together with all other indemnified parties that may be represented without conflict by one counsel) shall have the right to retain one separate counsel, with the fees and expenses to be paid by the indemnifying party, if representation of such indemnified party by the counsel retained by the indemnifying party would be inappropriate due to actual or potential differing interests between such indemnified party and any other party represented by such counsel in such proceeding. The failure to deliver written notice to the indemnifying party within a reasonable time of the commencement of any such action, if prejudicial to its ability to defend such action, shall relieve such indemnifying party of any liability to the indemnified party under this Section 1.9 to the extent of such prejudice, but the omission to so deliver written notice to the indemnifying party will not relieve it of any liability that it may have to any indemnified party otherwise than under this Section 1.9.

(d) If the indemnification provided for in this Section 1.9 is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unavailable to an indemnified party with respect to any loss, liability, claim, damage or expense referred to herein, then the indemnifying party, in lieu of indemnifying such indemnified party hereunder, shall contribute to the amount paid or payable by such indemnified party as a result of such loss, liability, claim, damage or expense in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the relative fault of and the relative benefits received by the indemnifying party on the one hand and of the indemnified party on the other in connection with the statements or omissions that resulted in such loss, liability, claim, damage or expense, as well as any other relevant equitable considerations, provided that no person guilty of fraud shall be entitled to contribution. The relative fault of the indemnifying party and of the indemnified party shall be determined by reference to, among other things, whether the untrue or alleged untrue statement of a material fact or the omission to state a material fact relates to information supplied by the indemnifying party or by the indemnified party and the parties' relative intent, knowledge, access to information, and opportunity to correct or prevent such statement or omission. The relative benefits received by the indemnifying party and the indemnified party shall be determined by reference to the net proceeds and underwriting discounts and commissions from the offering received by each such party. In no event shall any contribution under this Section 1.9(d) exceed the net proceeds from the offering received by such Holder, less any amounts paid under subsection 1.9(b).

(e) Notwithstanding the foregoing, to the extent that the provisions on indemnification and contribution contained in the underwriting agreement entered into in connection with the underwritten public offering are in conflict with the foregoing provisions, the provisions in the underwriting agreement shall control.

(f) The obligations of the Company and Holders under this Section 1.9 shall survive the completion of any offering of Registrable Securities in a registration statement under this Section 1, and otherwise.

1.10 Reports Under Securities Exchange Act of 1934. With a view to making available to the Holders the benefits of Rule 144 promulgated under the Act and any other rule or regulation of the SEC that may at any time permit a Holder to sell securities of the Company to the public without registration or pursuant to a registration on Form S-3, the Company agrees to:

(a) make and keep public information available, as those terms are understood and defined in SEC Rule 144, at all times and after ninety (90) days following the effective date of the Initial Public Offering;

(b) take such action, including the voluntary registration of its Common Stock under Section 12 of the 1934 Act, as is necessary to enable the Holders to utilize Form S-3 for the sale of their Registrable Securities, such action to be taken as soon as practicable after the end of the fiscal year in which the first registration statement filed by the Company for the offering of its securities to the general public is declared effective;

(c) file with the SEC in a timely manner all reports and other documents required of the Company under the Act and the 1934 Act; and

(d) furnish to any Holder, so long as the Holder owns any Registrable Securities, forthwith upon written request (i) a written statement by the Company that it has complied with the reporting requirements of SEC Rule 144 (at any time after ninety (90) days after the effective date of the Initial Public Offering), the Act and the 1934 Act (at any time after it has become subject to such reporting requirements), or that it qualifies as a registrant whose securities may be resold pursuant to Form S-3 (at any time after it so qualifies), (ii) a copy of the most recent annual or quarterly report of the Company and such other reports and documents so filed by the Company, and (iii) such other information as may be reasonably requested in availing any Holder of any rule or regulation of the SEC that permits the selling of any such securities without registration or pursuant to such form.

1.11 Assignment of Registration Rights. The rights to cause the Company to register Registrable Securities pursuant to this Section 1 may be assigned (but only with all related obligations) by a Holder to a transferee, member, retired member or assignee of such securities that (i) is a subsidiary, affiliate, parent, partner, limited partner, retired partner, member, retired member, or stockholder of a Holder, (ii) is a Holder's immediate family member (spouse or child) or trust for the benefit of an individual Holder, or (iii) after such assignment or transfer, holds at least 500 shares of Registrable Securities (subject to appropriate adjustment for any stock dividends, combinations, splits, recapitalizations and the like with respect to such shares), provided: (a) the Company is, within a reasonable time after such transfer, furnished with written notice of the name and address of such transferee or assignee and the securities with respect to which such registration rights are being assigned; (b) such transferee or assignee agrees in writing to be bound by and subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, including without limitation the provisions of Section 1.13 below; and (c) such assignment shall be effective only if immediately following such transfer the further disposition of such securities by the transferee or assignee is restricted under the Act. For the purposes of determining the number of shares of Registrable Securities held by a transferee or assignee, the holdings of transferees and assignees of a partnership who are partners or retired partners of such partnership (including spouses and ancestors, lineal descendants and siblings of such partners or spouses who acquire Registrable Securities by gift, will or intestate succession) shall be aggregated together and with

the partnership, and the holdings of transferees and assignees of a limited liability company who are members or retired members of such limited liability company (including spouses and ancestors, lineal descendants and siblings of such members or spouses who acquire Registrable Securities by gift, will or intestate succession) shall be aggregated together and with the limited liability company; provided that all assignees and transferees who would not qualify individually for assignment of registration rights shall have a single attorney-in-fact for the purpose of exercising any rights, receiving notices or taking any action under this Section 1.

1.12 Limitations on Subsequent Registration Rights. From and after the date of this Agreement, the Company shall not, without the prior written consent of the Holders of at least 75% of the outstanding Registrable Securities, enter into any agreement with any holder or prospective holder of any securities of the Company that would allow such holder or prospective holder (a) to include such securities in any registration filed under Section 1.3 hereof, unless under the terms of such agreement, such holder or prospective holder may include such securities in any such registration only to the extent that the inclusion of such securities will not reduce the amount of the Registrable Securities of the Holders that are included or (b) to make a demand registration.

1.13 "Market Stand-Off" Agreement. Each Holder hereby agrees that it will not, directly or indirectly, without the prior written consent of the Company and the managing underwriter, during the period commencing on the date of the final prospectus relating to the initial public offering by the Company and ending on the date specified by the Company and the managing underwriter (such period not to exceed one hundred eighty (180) days) (i) lend, offer, pledge, sell, contract to sell, sell any option or contract to purchase, purchase any option or contract to sell, grant any option, right or warrant to purchase, or otherwise transfer or dispose of, directly or indirectly, any shares of Common Stock or any securities convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for Common Stock held immediately before the effective date of the registration statement for such offering, or (ii) enter into any swap or other arrangement that transfers to another, in whole or in part, any of the economic consequences of ownership of the Common Stock, whether any such transaction described in clause (i) or (ii) above is to be settled by delivery of Common Stock or such other securities, in cash or otherwise; provided, however, that if and to the extent that Rule 2241 of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. ("FINRA") would apply to a FINRA member publishing or otherwise distributing a research report, or making a public appearance, concerning the Company, if (1) during the last 17 days of such 180-day period, the Company releases earnings results or announces material news or a material event or (2) prior to the expiration of such 180-day period, the Company announces that it will release earnings results during the 15-day period following the last day of the initial 180-day period, then in each case such 180-day period will be automatically extended until the expiration of the 18-day period beginning on the date of release of the earnings results or the announcement of the material news or material event, as applicable, unless the managing underwriter waives, in writing, such extension. The foregoing provisions of this Section 1.13 shall not apply to the sale of any shares to an underwriter pursuant to an underwriting agreement, and shall only be applicable to the Holders if all officers and directors and greater than one percent (1%) stockholders of the Company enter into similar agreements. The underwriters in connection with the initial public offering by the Company are intended third party beneficiaries of this Section 1.13 and shall have the right, power and authority to enforce the provisions hereof as though they were a party hereto; further, each Holder hereby agrees to enter into written agreement with such underwriters containing terms substantially equivalent to the terms of this Section 1.13, and each Holder hereby agrees that such

underwriters shall be entitled to require each such Holder to enter into such a written agreement. Any discretionary waiver or termination of the restrictions of any or all of such agreements by the Company or the underwriters shall apply pro rata to all Holders subject to such agreements, based on the number of shares subject to such agreements.

In order to enforce the foregoing covenant, the Company may impose stop-transfer instructions with respect to the Registrable Securities of each Holder (and the shares or securities of every other person subject to the foregoing restriction) until the end of such period.

1.14 Termination of Registration Rights. No Holder shall be entitled to exercise any right provided for in this Section 1 after five (5) years following the consummation of a QIPO, as defined in the Restated Certificate or, as to any Holder, such earlier time at which all Registrable Securities held by such Holder (and any affiliate of the Holder with whom such Holder must aggregate its sales under Rule 144) can be sold in any ninety (90) day period without registration in compliance with Rule 144 of the Act.

2. Covenants of the Company.

2.1 Delivery of Financial Statements. The Company shall deliver to each Investor:

(a) as soon as practicable, but in any event within one hundred eighty (180) days after the end of each fiscal year of the Company, audited consolidated financial statements of the Company for the preceding fiscal year, including balance sheet of the Company and statement of stockholder's equity as of the end of such year, and a statement of cash flows of the Company and its subsidiaries for such year, such year-end financial reports to be in reasonable detail, prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"); and

(b) as soon as practicable, but in any event within forty-five (45) days after the end of each quarter, unaudited consolidated financial statements of the Company for the preceding quarter, including a consolidated income statement, a statement of cash flows, and a balance sheet as of the end of such quarter, all in reasonable detail;

(c) as soon as practicable, but in any event within thirty (30) days after the end of each calendar month, unaudited consolidated financial statements of the Company for the preceding calendar month, including a consolidated income statement, a statement of cash flows, and a balance sheet as of the end of such calendar month, all in reasonable detail;

(d) as soon as practicable, but in any event at least thirty (30) days prior to the end of each fiscal year, a budget for the next fiscal year, prepared on a monthly basis, including balance sheets, income statements and statements of cash flows for such months and, as soon as prepared, any other budgets or revised budgets prepared by the Company;

(e) with respect to the financial statements called for in Sections 2.1(b) and 2.1(c), an instrument executed by the Chief Financial Officer or President of the Company certifying that such financials were prepared in accordance with GAAP consistently applied with prior practice for earlier periods (with the exception of footnotes and year-end adjustments that may be required by GAAP) and fairly present the financial condition of the Company and its results of operation for the period specified, subject to year-end audit adjustment; and

(f) such other information relating to the financial condition, business, prospects or corporate affairs of the Company as such Investor or any assignee of such Investor may from time to time reasonably request, or promptly after transmission or occurrence (but in any event within 10 days), other reports, including any non-routine communications with stockholders or the financial community, the Company's accountants and business consultants, governmental agencies and authorities, any reports filed by the Company or its officers, directors and representatives with any securities exchange or the SEC, to the extent not publicly available, and notice of any event which would have a significant effect on the Company's business prospects or financial condition or on the Investors' investments, provided, however, that the Company shall not be obligated under this Section 2.1 to provide information that it deems in good faith to be a trade secret or similar confidential information, and provided further that the Company may require the Investor to execute a confidentiality and nondisclosure agreement prior to disclosure of any such information.

2.2 Inspection. The Company shall permit each Investor, at such Investor's expense, to visit and inspect the Company's properties, to examine its books of account and records and to discuss the Company's affairs, finances and accounts with its officers, all at such reasonable times as may be reasonably requested by the Investor; provided, however, that the Company shall not be obligated pursuant to this Section 2.2 to provide access to any information that it reasonably considers to be a trade secret or similar confidential information, and provided further that the Company may require the Investor to execute a confidentiality and nondisclosure agreement prior to any such visit and inspection.

2.3 Right of First Offer. Subject to the terms and conditions specified in this Section 2.3, the Company hereby grants to each Investor a right of first offer with respect to future sales by the Company of its Shares (as hereinafter defined). An Investor shall be entitled to apportion the right of first offer hereby granted it among itself and its partners, members and affiliates in such proportions as it deems appropriate. Each time the Company proposes to offer any shares of, or securities convertible into or exchangeable or exercisable for any shares of, any class of its capital stock (the "Shares"), the Company shall first make an offering of such Shares to each Investor in accordance with the following provisions:

(a) The Company shall deliver a notice in accordance with Section 3.6 (the "Notice") to each Investor stating (i) its bona fide intention to offer such Shares, (ii) the number of such Shares to be offered, and (iii) the price and general terms upon which it proposes to offer such Shares.

(b) By written notification received by the Company, within thirty (30) calendar days after receipt of the Notice, each Investor may elect to purchase or obtain, at the price and on the terms specified in the Notice, up to that portion of such Shares that equals the proportion that the number of shares of Common Stock issued and held, or issuable upon conversion of the Preferred Stock then held, by such Investor bears to the total number of shares of Common Stock of the Company issued or held, or issuable upon conversion of the Preferred

Stock then outstanding. The Company shall promptly, in writing, inform each Investor which purchases all the shares available to it (“Fully-Exercising Investor”) of any other Investor’s failure to do likewise. During the ten (10) day period commencing after receipt of such information, each Fully-Exercising Investor shall be entitled to obtain that portion of the Shares for which all Investors were entitled to subscribe but which were not subscribed for by the Investors which is equal to the proportion that the number of shares of Common Stock issued and held, or issuable upon conversion of Preferred Stock then held, by such Fully-Exercising Investor bears to the total number of shares of Common Stock issued and held, or issuable upon conversion of Preferred Stock then held, by all Fully-Exercising Investors who wish to purchase some of the unsubscribed shares.

(c) If all Shares that the Investors are entitled to obtain pursuant to Section 2.3(b) are not elected to be obtained as provided in Section 2.3(b) hereof, the Company may, during the ninety (90) day period following the expiration of the period provided in Section 2.3(b) hereof, offer the remaining unsubscribed portion of such Shares to any person or persons at a price not less than, and upon terms no more favorable to the offeree than those specified in the Notice. If the Company does not enter into an agreement for the sale of the Shares within such period, or if such agreement is not consummated within ninety (90) days of the execution thereof, the right provided hereunder shall be deemed to be revived and such Shares shall not be offered unless first reoffered to the Investors in accordance herewith.

(d) The right of first offer in this Section 2.3 shall not be applicable to:

(i) the issuance of shares of securities pursuant to a split or subdivision of the outstanding shares of Common Stock or the determination of holders of Common Stock entitled to receive a dividend or other distribution payable in additional shares of Common Stock or other securities or rights convertible into, or entitling the holder thereof to receive directly or indirectly, additional shares of Common Stock (hereinafter referred to as “Common Stock Equivalents”) without payment of any consideration by such holder for the additional shares of Common Stock or the Common Stock Equivalents (including the additional shares of Common Stock issuable upon conversion or exercise thereof);

(ii) the issuance of any shares of Common Stock (or options or rights to purchase shares of Common Stock) after the Series F Original Issue Date (as defined in the Restated Certificate), to employees, officers or directors of, or consultants or advisors to, the Company pursuant to current stock purchase plans or current stock option plans, or pursuant to similar plans that are approved by the Requisite Holders pursuant to Article IV.B.6(p) of the Restated Certificate;

(iii) any Common Stock Equivalents issued upon any conversion of shares of Series F Preferred Stock, Series E Preferred Stock, Series D Preferred Stock, Series C Preferred Stock, Series B Preferred Stock or Series A-1 Preferred Stock;

(iv) any Common Stock Equivalents issued as a dividend or distribution on shares of Series F Preferred Stock, Series E Preferred Stock, Series D Preferred Stock, Series C Preferred Stock, Series B Preferred Stock or Series A-1 Preferred Stock;

(v) the issuance of shares of Common Stock (A) in a QIPO, or (B) upon exercise of warrants or rights granted to underwriters in connection with such a QIPO; or

(vi) the issuance of shares of Series F Preferred Stock pursuant to the Series F Stock Purchase Agreement.

In addition to the foregoing, the right of first offer in this Section 2.3 shall not be applicable with respect to any Investor and any subsequent securities issuance, if (i) at the time of such subsequent securities issuance, the Investor is not an “accredited investor,” as that term is then defined in Rule 501(a) under the Act, and (ii) such subsequent securities issuance is otherwise being offered only to accredited investors.

2.4 Board of Directors.

(a) The Board of Directors shall meet at least quarterly, unless otherwise approved by a majority of the directors then serving on the Board of Directors.

(b) Each of the Series E Preferred Directors, Series D Preferred Director and the Series C Preferred Directors (as defined in that certain Amended and Restated Voting Agreement, dated on or about the date hereof) shall have the right to serve on any committee of the Board of Directors.

(c) The Company shall reimburse all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred by directors of the Board of Directors for attending meetings of the Board of Directors and performing their duties as directors.

2.5 Notice of Litigation. The Company shall provide notice to the Holders promptly upon the filing of any material action, suit or proceeding by or against the Company.

2.6 No Investment Company. The Company shall not become an “investment company” or a company “controlled” by an “investment company,” within the meaning of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended. In the event the Company breaches the foregoing, the Company shall forthwith notify the Investors and shall take immediate corrective action to remedy such breach.

2.7 Directors’ and Officers’ Insurance. The Company shall maintain from financially sound and reputable insurers directors and officers liability insurance in an amount and on terms and conditions satisfactory to the Board of Directors, and will use its commercially reasonable efforts to cause such insurance policy to be maintained until such time as the Board of Directors determines that such insurance should be discontinued.

2.8 Proprietary Information and Inventions Agreements. The Company shall require all employees and consultants with access to confidential information to execute and deliver a Proprietary Information and Inventions Agreement in substantially the form approved by the Board of Directors or a consulting agreement containing substantially similar proprietary rights assignment and confidentiality provisions.

2.9 Expenses of Counsel. In the event of a transaction which is a Deemed Liquidation Event (as defined in the Amended and Restated Voting Agreement of even date herewith among the Investors, the Company and the other parties named therein), the reasonable fees and disbursements, not to exceed \$75,000, of one counsel for the Investors (“Investor Counsel”), in their capacities as stockholders, shall be borne and paid by the Company. At the outset of considering a transaction which, if consummated would constitute a Deemed Liquidation Event, the Company shall obtain the ability to share with the Investor Counsel (and such counsel’s clients) and shall share the confidential information (including, without limitation, the initial and all subsequent drafts of memoranda of understanding, letters of intent and other transaction documents and related noncompete, employment, consulting and other compensation agreements and plans) pertaining to and memorializing any of the transactions which, individually or when aggregated with others would constitute the Deemed Liquidation Event. The Company shall be obligated to share (and cause the Company’s counsel and investment bankers to share) such materials when distributed to the Company’s executives and/or any one or more of the other parties to such transaction(s). In the event that Investor Counsel deems it appropriate, in its reasonable discretion, to enter into a joint defense (or common interest) agreement or other arrangement to enhance the ability of the parties to protect their communications and other reviewed materials under the attorney client privilege, the Company shall, and shall direct its counsel to, execute and deliver to Investor Counsel and its clients such an agreement in form and substance reasonably acceptable to Investor Counsel and the Company’s counsel. In the event that one or more of the other party or parties to such transactions require the clients of Investor Counsel to enter into a confidentiality agreement and/or joint defense (or common interest) agreement in order to receive such information, then the Company shall share whatever information can be shared without entry into such agreement and shall, at the same time, in good faith work expeditiously to enable Investor Counsel and its clients to negotiate and enter into the appropriate agreement(s) without undue burden to the clients of Investor Counsel.

2.10 Right to Conduct Activities. The Company hereby agrees and acknowledges that ABG-ColdGen Limited, ABG II-ColdGen Limited, ABG WTT-CG Limited, Acorn Bioventures, L.P., Acorn Bioventures 2, L.P., Longitude Venture Partners IV, L.P., Decheng Capital Global Life Sciences Fund IV, L.P., RA Capital Management, L.P., Foresite Capital Fund VI, L.P., BVF Partners L.P. and Avidity Private Master Fund I LP (together with their respective Affiliates) (collectively, the “Funds”) are professional investment organizations, and as such review business plans and related proprietary information of many enterprises, some of which may compete directly or indirectly with the Company’s business (as currently conducted or as currently proposed to be conducted). Nothing in this Agreement shall preclude or in any way restrict the Investors from evaluating or purchasing securities, including publicly traded securities, of a particular enterprise, or investing or participating in any particular enterprise whether or not such enterprise has products or services which compete with those of the Company; and the Company hereby agrees that, to the extent permitted under applicable law, the Funds (and their Affiliates) shall not be liable to the Company for any claim arising out of, or based upon, (i) the investment by the Funds (or their Affiliates) in any entity competitive with the Company, or (ii) actions taken by any partner, officer, employee or other representative of the Funds (or their Affiliates) to assist any such competitive company, whether or not such action was taken as a member of the board of directors of such competitive company or otherwise, and whether or not such action has a detrimental effect on the Company; provided, however, that the foregoing shall not relieve (x) any of the Investors from liability associated with the unauthorized disclosure of the Company’s confidential information obtained pursuant to this Agreement, or (y) any director or officer of the Company from any liability associated with his or her fiduciary duties to the Company.

2.11 Confidentiality. Each Investor agrees that such Investor will keep confidential and will not disclose, divulge, or use for any purpose (other than to monitor or make decisions with respect to its investment in the Company) any confidential information obtained from the Company pursuant to the terms of this Agreement (including notice of the Company's intention to file a registration statement), unless such confidential information (a) is known or becomes known to the public in general (other than as a result of a breach of this Section 2.11 by such Investor), (b) is or has been independently developed or conceived by such Investor without use of the Company's confidential information, or (c) is or has been made known or disclosed to such Investor by a third party without a breach of any obligation of confidentiality such third party may have to the Company; provided, however, that an Investor may disclose confidential information (i) to its attorneys, accountants, consultants, and other professionals to the extent reasonably necessary to obtain their services in connection with monitoring its investment in the Company; (ii) to any prospective purchaser of any Registrable Securities from such Investor, if such prospective purchaser agrees to be bound by the provisions of this Section 2.11; (iii) to any Affiliate, partner, member, stockholder, or wholly owned subsidiary of such Investor in the ordinary course of business, provided that such Investor informs such person that such information is confidential and directs such person to maintain the confidentiality of such information; or (iv) as may otherwise be required by law, regulation, rule, court order or subpoena, provided that such Investor promptly notifies the Company of such disclosure and takes reasonable steps to minimize the extent of any such required disclosure.

2.12 Termination of Certain Covenants. The covenants set forth in this Section 2, except for Section 2.9, shall terminate and be of no further force or effect upon the consummation of a QIPO or at such time as the Company is required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the 1934 Act. This Agreement shall terminate and be of no further force or effect upon the consummation of a transaction or series of related transactions which are deemed to be a Liquidation Event of the Company pursuant to the Restated Certificate, as such Restated Certificate may be amended from time to time.

3. Miscellaneous.

3.1 Subsequent Closing Investors. Upon the sale of shares of Series F Preferred Stock to new Investors in accordance with the subsequent closing provisions of Section 1.3 of the Series F Purchase Agreement, the Company, without prior action on the part of any Investor, shall require each such Investor to execute and deliver this Agreement. Each such Investor, upon execution and delivery of this Agreement, shall be deemed an "Investor" hereunder.

3.2 Successors and Assigns. Except as otherwise provided herein, the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the respective successors and assigns of the parties (including transferees of any shares of Registrable Securities). Nothing in this Agreement, express or implied, is intended to confer upon any party other than the parties hereto or their respective successors and assigns any rights, remedies, obligations, or liabilities under or by reason of this Agreement, except as expressly provided in this Agreement.

3.3 Governing Law; Venue. This Agreement is to be construed in accordance with and governed by the internal laws of the State of Delaware without giving effect to any choice of law rule that would cause the application of the laws of any jurisdiction other than the internal laws of the State of Delaware to the rights and duties of the parties. In the event of any dispute arising out of or relating to this Agreement, such dispute shall be resolved solely and exclusively by confidential binding arbitration with the Irvine, California branch of JAMS (“JAMS”) to be governed by JAMS’ Commercial Rules of Arbitration applicable at the time of the commencement of the arbitration (the “JAMS Rules”) and heard before an arbitrator. The parties shall attempt to mutually select the arbitrator. In the event they are unable to mutually agree, the arbitrator shall be selected by the procedures prescribed by the JAMS Rules. Each party shall bear its own attorneys’ fees, expert witness fees, and costs incurred in connection with any arbitration.

3.4 Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

3.5 Titles and Subtitles. The titles and subtitles used in this Agreement are used for convenience only and are not to be considered in construing or interpreting this Agreement.

3.6 Notices.

(a) All notices and other communications given or made pursuant to this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed effectively given upon the earlier of actual receipt or (i) personal delivery to the party to be notified; (ii) when sent, if sent by electronic mail during the recipient’s normal business hours, and if not sent during normal business hours, then on the recipient’s next business day; (iii) five (5) days after having been sent by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid; or (iv) one (1) business day after the business day of deposit with a nationally recognized overnight courier, freight prepaid, specifying next-day delivery, with written verification of receipt. All communications shall be sent to the respective parties at their email address or address as set forth on the signature page or Schedule A hereto, or in any case to such email address or address as subsequently modified by written notice given in accordance with this Section 3.6. If notice is given to the Company, a copy (which copy shall not constitute notice) shall also be sent to Latham & Watkins LLP, 12670 High Bluff Drive, San Diego, CA 92130, Attention: Cheston J. Larson and Cheston.larson@lw.com, and if notice is given to the Investors, a copy (which copy shall not constitute notice) shall also be sent to Gunderson Dettmer Stough Villeneuve Franklin & Hachigian, LLP, 3570 Carmel Mountain Rd, San Diego, CA 92130, Attention: Jonathan Spencer and jspencer@gunder.com.

(b) Consent to Electronic Notice. Each Investor consents to the delivery of any stockholder notice pursuant to the Delaware General Corporation Law (the “DGCL”), as amended or superseded from time to time, by electronic transmission pursuant to Section 232 of the DGCL (or any successor thereto) at the electronic mail address set forth below

such Investor's name on the Schedules hereto, as updated from time to time by notice to the Company, or as on the books of the Company. To the extent that any notice given by means of electronic transmission is returned or undeliverable for any reason, the foregoing consent shall be deemed to have been revoked until a new or corrected electronic mail address has been provided, and such attempted electronic notice shall be ineffective and deemed to not have been given. Each Investor agrees to promptly notify the Company of any change in such stockholder's electronic mail address, and that failure to do so shall not affect the foregoing.

3.7 Expenses. If any action at law or in equity is necessary to enforce or interpret the terms of this Agreement, the prevailing party shall be entitled to reasonable attorney's fees, costs and necessary disbursements in addition to any other relief to which such party may be entitled.

3.8 Amendments and Waivers. Any term of this Agreement may be amended and the observance of any term of this Agreement may be waived (either generally or in a particular instance and either retroactively or prospectively), only with the written consent of (a) the Company and (b) the holders of at least 75% of the Registrable Securities then outstanding; provided, however, that no amendment or waiver which adversely affects the holders of less than a majority of the Registrable Securities in a manner different than the holders of a majority of the Registrable Securities shall be affected without the prior written consent of a majority of the holders in interest of such Registrable Securities so affected. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that (a) the provisions of Section 2.3 are waived in accordance with this Section 3.8 in respect of a future sale by the Company of its Shares, and (b) one or more Investors or its affiliates purchases securities in such offering, then any other Investor who did not consent to such waiver shall be permitted to purchase up to the same percentage (not to exceed 100%) of its pro rata share of the Shares in such offering as the percentage of the pro rata share of the Shares so purchased by the Investor purchasing the largest portion of such Investor's pro rata share in such offering. Any amendment or waiver effected in accordance with this paragraph shall be binding upon each holder of any Registrable Securities, each future holder of all such Registrable Securities and the Company.

3.9 Severability. If one or more provisions of this Agreement are held to be unenforceable under applicable law, such provision shall be excluded from this Agreement and the balance of the Agreement shall be interpreted as if such provision were so excluded and shall be enforceable in accordance with its terms.

3.10 Aggregation of Stock. All shares of Registrable Securities held or acquired by entities advised by the same investment adviser and affiliated entities or persons shall be aggregated together for the purpose of determining the availability of any rights under this Agreement and such affiliated entities or persons may apportion such rights among themselves in any manner they deem appropriate.

3.11 Entire Agreement. This Agreement and the documents referred to herein constitute the entire agreement among the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and no party shall be liable or bound to any other party in any manner by any warranties, representations or covenants except as specifically set forth herein or therein. Upon the effectiveness of this Agreement, the Prior Agreement shall be superseded and replaced in its entirety by this Agreement and shall be of no further force or effect.

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COMPANY:

CG ONCOLOGY, INC.

By: /s/ Arthur Kuan

Name: Arthur Kuan

Title: Chief Executive Officer

Address: 400 Spectrum Center Drive, Suite 2040
Irvine, CA 92618 U.S.A.

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INVESTORS:

FORESITE CAPITAL FUND V, L.P.

By: Foresite Capital Management V, LLC
Its: General Partner

By: /s/ Dennis D. Ryan

Name: Dennis D. Ryan

Title: Chief Financial Officer

FORESITE CAPITAL OPPORTUNITY FUND V, L.P.

By: Foresite Capital Opportunity Management V, LLC
Its: General Partner

By: /s/ Dennis D. Ryan

Name: Dennis D. Ryan

Title: Chief Financial Officer

FORESITE CAPITAL FUND VI, L.P.

By: Foresite Capital Management VI, LLC
Its: General Partner

By: /s/ Dennis D. Ryan

Name: Dennis D. Ryan

Title: Chief Financial Officer

Address: 900 Larkspur Landing Circle, Suite 150
Larkspur, CA 94939

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INVESTOR:

TCG CROSSOVER FUND I, L.P.

By: TCG Crossover GP I, LLC
Its General Partner

By: /s/ Chen Yu

Name: Chen Yu

Title: Managing Member

Address: TCG Crossover Management, LLC
705 High Street
Palo Alto, CA 94301
Attn: Craig Skaling

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BIOTECHNOLOGY VALUE FUND, L.P.

By: /s/ Marc Lampert
Name: Mark Lampert
Title: Chief Executive Officer BVF I GP LLC, itself General Partner of Biotechnology Value Fund, L.P

BIOTECHNOLOGY VALUE TRADING FUND OS LP

By: /s/ Marc Lampert
Name: Mark Lampert
Title: President BVF Inc., General Partner of BVF Partners L.P., itself sole member of BVF Partners OS Ltd., itself GP of Biotechnology Value Trading Fund OS LP

INVESTOR:

BIOTECHNOLOGY VALUE FUND II, L.P

By: /s/ Marc Lampert
Name: Mark Lampert
Title: Chief Executive Officer BVF II GP LLC, itself General Partner of Biotechnology Value Fund II, L.P

MSI BVF SPV, LLC

By: /s/ Marc Lampert
Name: Mark Lampert
Title: President BVF Inc., General Partner of BVF Partners L.P., itself attorney-in-fact for MSI BVF SPV, LLC

Address: c/o BVF Partners LP
44 Montgomery Street 40th FL
San Francisco CA 94104

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INVESTOR:

AVIDITY PRIVATE MASTER FUND I LP

By: Avidity Capital Partners Fund (GP) LP, its general partner

By: Avidity Capital Partners (GP) LLC, its general partner

By: /s/ Michael Gregory

Name: Michael Gregory

Title: Managing Member

Address: c/o Avidity Partners Management LP

2828 N. Harwood St., Suite 1220

Dallas, TX 75201

Attn: Michael Gregory; Andrew So

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INVESTOR:

JANUS HENDERSON HORIZON FUND—BIOTECHNOLOGY FUND

By: Janus Henderson Investors US LLC, its investment advisor

By: /s/ Andrew Acker

Name: Andrew Acker

Title: Authorized Signatory

JANUS HENDERSON BIOTECH INNOVATION MASTER FUND LIMITED

By: Janus Henderson Investors US LLC, its investment advisor

By: /s/ Andrew Acker

Name: Andrew Acker

Title: Authorized Signatory

Address: 151 Detroit Street
Denver, Colorado 80206 USA

With a copy to (which shall not constitute notice):

Stradley Ronon Stevens & Young, LLP
2005 Market Street, Suite 2600
Philadelphia, PA 19103
Attn: Kevin Kundra
kkundra@stradley.com

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INVESTOR:

ABG-COLDGEN LIMITED

By: /s/ YEH Shan-ju
Name: YEH Shan-ju
Title: Director

ABG II-COLDGEN LIMITED

By: /s/ YEH Shan-ju
Name: YEH Shan-ju
Title: Director

ABG WTT-CG LIMITED

By: /s/ YEH Shan-ju
Name: YEH Shan-ju
Title: Director

Address: c/o Unit 3002-3004
30/F, Gloucester Tower
The Landmark
15 Queen's Road
Central, Hong Kong

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INVESTOR:

ABUNDANT SUPPLY GLOBAL LIMITED

By: /s/ Hong Fang Song

Name: Hong Fang Song

Title: Director

Address: Vistra Corporate Services Centre
Wickhams Cay II, Road Town
Tortola, VG1110
British Virgin Islands

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INVESTOR:

ACORN BIOVENTURES, L.P.

By: ACORN CAPITAL ADVISORS GP, LLC
Its: General Partner

By: /s/ Anders Hove
Name: Anders Hove
Title: Member

ACORN BIOVENTURES 2, L.P.

By: ACORN CAPITAL ADVISORS 2 GP, LLC
Its: General Partner

By: /s/ Anders Hove
Name: Anders Hove
Title: Member

Contact information:

Acorn Bioventures, L.P.
Acorn Bioventures 2, L.P.
C/O Acorn Capital Advisors, LLC
Att: Anders Hove
420 Lexington Avenue, Suite 2626
New York, NY 10170

With a copy (which shall not constitute notice) to:
Schulte Roth & Zabel LLP
919 Third Avenue
New York, NY 10022
Attn: Michael Flynn
E-Mail: michael.flynn@srz.com

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INVESTOR:

AMPLEWOOD RESOURCES LIMITED

By: /s/ Marc Chan

Name: Marc Chan

Title: Director

Address: Unit 21E, 21F, United Centre, 95 Queensway,
Admiralty, Hong Kong, CHN

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INVESTOR:

ANGELES DIRECT EQUITY FUND 1, LP

By: its General Partner,
Angeles Direct Equity Fund 1, LP

By: /s/ Michael Rosen
Name: Michael Rosen
Title: Managing Member

Address: 429 Santa Monica Blvd, Suite 650
Santa Monica, CA, 90401

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INVESTOR:

CHARMING JADE LIMITED

By: /s/ Hong Fang Song

Name: Hong Fang Song

Title: Director

Address: Ritter House
Wickhams Cay II
PO Box 3170
Road Town, Tortola VG1110
British Virgin Islands

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INVESTOR:

DECHENG CAPITAL GLOBAL LIFE SCIENCES FUND IV, L.P.

By its General Partner,
Decheng Capital Management IV (Cayman), LLC

By: Xiangmin Cui
Xiangmin Cui
Managing Director

Address: 3000 Sand Hill Road
Building 2, Suite 110
Menlo Park, CA 94025

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INVESTOR:

ERCT LIFE SCIENCES LLC

By: /s/ Sibel Oz

Name: Sibel Oz

Title: Manager

Address: PO Box 1200, Montclair NJ, 07042

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INVESTOR:

GAVIN RESOURCES LIMITED

By: /s/ LEE King Yue

Name: LEE King Yue

Title: Director

Address: 72/76F., Two International Finance Centre,
8 Finance Street, Central, Hong Kong

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INVESTOR:

KISSEI PHARMACEUTICAL CO., LTD.

By: /s/ Mutsuo Kanzawa

Name: Mutsuo Kanzawa

Title: Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Address: 19-48 Yoshino, Matsumoto-City
Nagano-Prefecture, 399-8710, Japan

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INVESTOR:

LEPU HOLDINGS LIMITED

By: /s/ Xia Zhang

Name: Xia Zhang

Title: Director and Authorized Signatory

Address: Vistra Corporate Services Centre
Wickhams Cay II, Road Town
Tortola, VG1110, British Virgin Islands

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INVESTOR:

LONGITUDE VENTURE PARTNERS IV, L.P.

By: Longitude Capital Partners IV, LLC, its General Partner

By: /s/ Patrick Enright

Name: Patrick Enright

Title: Managing Member

LONGITUDE PRIME FUND, L.P.

By: Longitude Prime Partners, LLC, its General Partner

By: /s/ Patrick Enright

Name: Patrick Enright

Title: Managing Member

Address: 2740 Sand Hill Rd, Second Floor
Menlo Park, CA 94025

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Palo Alto, CA 94304

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INVESTOR:

MALIN LIFE SCIENCES HOLDINGS LIMITED

By: /s/ Darragh Lyons

Name: Darragh Lyons

Title: Director

Address: The Lennox Building
50 Richmond Street South
Dublin 2
D02 FK02
Ireland

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INVESTOR:

PALM DRIVE CAPITAL II LP

By: Palm Drive Capital II GP LLC,
its General Partner

By: Palm Drive Capital LLC,
its Manager

By: /s/ Seamon Chan

Name: Seamon Chan

Title: Managing Member

Address: 54 W. 21st St Suite 807
New York, NY, 10010

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INVESTOR:

PEI MIN LIU

By: /s/ Pei Min Liu

Name: Pei Min Liu

Address: 30C Tower 3, Larvotto, 8 Apleichau Praya Road, Apleichau, Hong Kong

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INVESTOR:

PERSEVERANCE CG LLC

By: /s/ Ben Shyong

Name: Ben Shyong

Title: Partner

PERSEVERANCE CAPITAL MANAGEMENT LLC

By: /s/ Ben Shyong

Name: Ben Shyong

Title: Partner

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Middletown, DE 19709

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INVESTOR:

PERSEVERANCE FUND LLC—SERIES 1

**By: Perseverance Investments LLC, its
Managing member**

By: /s/ Ben Shyong

Name: Ben Shyong

Title: Authorized Signatory

Address: Perseverance Fund LLC—Series 1
c/o Canopy
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Dover, Delaware, 19901, United States

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INVESTOR:

RA CAPITAL HEALTHCARE FUND, L.P.

By: RA Capital Healthcare Fund GP, LLC
Its: General Partner

By: /s/ Rajeev Shah
Name: Rajeev Shah
Title: Manager

RA CAPITAL NEXUS FUND III, L.P.

By: RA Capital Nexus Fund III GP, LLC
Its: General Partner

By: /s/ Rajeev Shah
Name: Rajeev Shah
Title: Manager

Address: RA Capital Management, L.P.
200 Berkeley Street
18th Floor
Boston, MA 02116
Attn: General Counsel

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INVESTOR:

SHINY CROWN LIMITED

By: /s/ Yulan Su

Name: Yulan Su

Title: Director

Address: 6F, No. 11, Lane 186, Ren-Ai Road, Yong-He
District, New Taipei City, TWN

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INVESTOR:

SLEEPING BEAUTY LIMITED

By: /s/ Cheng Ying Pin

Name: Cheng Ying Pin

Title: Sole Director

Address: 10F, No.337, Fuxing North Road
Song-shan Dist. Taipei City, Taiwan 10544

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INVESTOR:

SONG HONG FANG

/s/ Song Hong Fang

Address:

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INVESTOR:

SUPER STRATEGY LIMITED

By: /s/ KaiYuan Kuo

Name: KaiYuan Kuo

Title: CEO

Address: 16F, 325 JenAi Road, Section 4
Taipei, TWN

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INVESTOR:

WELLCHAMP FUND LIMITED

By: /s/ Ronald Yan Tak Angus Cheng

Name: Ronald Yan Tak Angus Cheng

Title: Managing Director

Address: 804A, 81F, Worldwide House,
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**SIGNATURE PAGE TO CG ONCOLOGY, INC.
AMENDED AND RESTATED INVESTORS' RIGHTS AGREEMENT**

SCHEDULE A
SCHEDULE OF INVESTORS

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ABG II-ColdGen Limited
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Acorn Bioventures 2, L.P.
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Aestas Capital LLC
AIG DECO Fund II, LP
Alex Wah Hin Yeung
Amazing Key Investments Limited
American Estate & Trust, LC FBO Philip Bendler's IRA
Amplewood Resources Limited
Angeles Direct Equity Fund 1 LP
Avidity Private Master Fund I LP
Best Prosper Limited
Biotechnology Value Fund, L.P.
Biotechnology Value Fund II, L.P.
Biotechnology Value Trading Fund OS LP
MSI BVF SPV, LLC
Charming Jade Limited
Chih-Wei Wu
Danhua Capital II LP
Decheng Capital Global Life Sciences Fund IV, L.P.
ERCT Life Sciences LLC
Focus Way Developments Limited
Focus Way Developments Limited
Foresite Capital Fund V, L.P.
Foresite Capital Opportunity Fund V, L.P.
Foresite Capital Fund VI, L.P.
Fortress International Inc.
Freedom Enterprises Limited
Gavin Resources Limited
Hank CK Wuh

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Janus Henderson Biotech Innovation Master Fund Limited
Jason Kung Yi Koo
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Kissei Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.
Kuang-Hui Pai
Lepu Holdings Limited
Longitude Venture Partners IV, L.P.
Longitude Prime Fund, L.P.
Longling Capital Ltd
Lyra Capital Management Limited
Malin Life Sciences Holdings Limited
Noble Eagle Holdings Limited
Palm Drive Capital II LP
Panlabs Biologics Inc.
Pei Min Liu
Pentepebble Holdings Limited
Perseverance Capital Management LLC
Perseverance CG LLC
Perseverance Fund LLC—Series 1
PRSS Capital Limited
RA Capital Healthcare Fund, LP
RA Capital Nexus Fund III, LP
Rick Delamarter
Shiny Crown Limited
Shu Fai So
Sleeping Beauty Limited
Song Hong Fang
Spring Investments Holding LP
Super Strategy Limited
Tanya Marie Lee
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January 18, 2024

CG Oncology, Inc.
 400 Spectrum Center Drive, Suite 2040
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Re: Registration Statement No. 333-276350; 13,570,000 shares of Common Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share

To the addressees set forth above:

We have acted as special counsel to CG Oncology, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the “*Company*”), in connection with the proposed issuance of up to 13,570,000 shares (including up to 1,770,000 shares subject to the underwriters’ option to purchase additional shares) of common stock, \$0.0001 par value per share (the “*Shares*”). The Shares are included in a registration statement on Form S-1 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “*Act*”), filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “*Commission*”) on January 2, 2024 (File No. 333-276350) (as amended, the “*Registration Statement*”). The term “Shares” shall include any additional shares of common stock registered by the Company pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Act in connection with the offering contemplated by the Registration Statement. This opinion is being furnished in connection with the requirements of Item 601(b)(5) of Regulation S-K under the Act, and no opinion is expressed herein as to any matter pertaining to the contents of the Registration Statement or related Prospectus, other than as expressly stated herein with respect to the issue of the Shares.

As such counsel, we have examined such matters of fact and questions of law as we have considered appropriate for purposes of this letter. With your consent, we have relied upon certificates and other assurances of officers of the Company and others as to factual matters without having independently verified such factual matters. We are opining herein as to the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware and we express no opinion with respect to any other laws.

Subject to the foregoing and the other matters set forth herein, it is our opinion that, as of the date hereof, when the Shares shall have been duly registered on the books of the transfer agent and registrar therefor in the name or on behalf of the purchasers, and have been issued by the Company against payment therefor in the circumstances contemplated by the form of underwriting agreement most recently filed as an exhibit to the Registration Statement, the issue and sale of the Shares will have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate action of the Company, and the Shares will be validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable. In rendering the foregoing opinion, we have assumed that the Company will comply with all applicable notice requirements regarding uncertificated shares provided in the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.

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This opinion is for your benefit in connection with the Registration Statement and may be relied upon by you and by persons entitled to rely upon it pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Act. We consent to your filing this opinion as an exhibit to the Registration Statement and to the reference to our firm in the Prospectus under the heading "Legal Matters." We further consent to the incorporation by reference of this letter and consent into any registration statement filed pursuant to Rule 462(b) with respect to the Shares. In giving such consent, we do not thereby admit that we are in the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Act or the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder.

Sincerely,

/s/ Latham & Watkins LLP

CG ONCOLOGY, INC.
2024 INCENTIVE AWARD PLAN

ARTICLE I.
PURPOSE

The Plan's purpose is to enhance the Company's ability to attract, retain and motivate persons who make (or are expected to make) important contributions to the Company by providing these individuals with equity ownership opportunities and/or equity-linked compensatory opportunities. Capitalized terms used in the Plan are defined in Article XI.

ARTICLE II.
ELIGIBILITY

Service Providers are eligible to be granted Awards under the Plan, subject to the limitations described herein.

ARTICLE III.
ADMINISTRATION AND DELEGATION

3.1 Administration. The Plan is administered by the Administrator. The Administrator has authority to determine which Service Providers receive Awards, grant Awards, and set Award terms and conditions, subject to the conditions and limitations in the Plan. The Administrator also has the authority to take all actions and make all determinations under the Plan, to interpret the Plan and Award Agreements and to adopt, amend and repeal Plan administrative rules, guidelines, and practices as it deems advisable. The Administrator may correct defects and ambiguities, supply omissions and reconcile inconsistencies in the Plan or any Award Agreement as it deems necessary or appropriate to administer the Plan and any Awards. The Administrator's determinations under the Plan are in its sole discretion and will be final and binding on all persons having or claiming any interest in the Plan or any Award.

3.2 Appointment of Committees. To the extent Applicable Laws permit, the Board or the Administrator may delegate any or all of its powers under the Plan to one or more Committees or committees of officers of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries. The Board or the Administrator, as applicable, may rescind any such delegation, abolish any such committee or Committee and/or re-vest in itself any previously delegated authority at any time.

ARTICLE IV.
STOCK AVAILABLE FOR AWARDS

4.1 Number of Shares. Subject to adjustment under Article VIII and the terms of this Article IV, Awards may be made under the Plan covering up to the Overall Share Limit. As of the Plan's effective date, the Company will cease granting awards under the Prior Plans; however, the Prior Plan Awards will remain subject to the terms of the applicable Prior Plan. Shares issued under the Plan may consist of authorized but unissued Shares, Shares purchased on the open market or treasury Shares.

4.2 Share Recycling. If all or any part of an Award or a Prior Plan Award expires, lapses or is terminated, exchanged for or settled in cash, surrendered, repurchased, canceled without having been fully exercised or forfeited, in any case, in a manner that results in the Company acquiring Shares covered by the Award or Prior Plan Award at a price not greater than the price (as adjusted to reflect any Equity

Restructuring) paid by the Participant for such Shares or not issuing any Shares covered by the Award or Prior Plan Award, the unused Shares covered by the Award or Prior Plan Award will, as applicable, become or again be available for Award grants under the Plan. Further, Shares delivered (either by actual delivery or attestation) to the Company by a Participant to satisfy the applicable exercise or purchase price of an Award or Prior Plan Award and/or to satisfy any applicable tax withholding obligation with respect to an Award or Prior Plan Award (including Shares retained by the Company from the Award or Prior Plan Award being exercised or purchased and/or creating the tax obligation) will, as applicable, become or again be available for Award grants under the Plan. The payment of Dividend Equivalents in cash in conjunction with any outstanding Awards shall not count against the Overall Share Limit.

4.3 Incentive Stock Option Limitations. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, no more than 200,000,000 Shares may be issued pursuant to the exercise of Incentive Stock Options.

4.4 Substitute Awards. In connection with an entity's merger or consolidation with the Company or the Company's acquisition of an entity's property or stock, the Administrator may grant Awards in substitution for any options or other stock, or stock-based awards granted before such merger or consolidation by such entity or its affiliate. Substitute Awards may be granted on such terms as the Administrator deems appropriate, notwithstanding limitations on Awards in the Plan. Substitute Awards will not count against the Overall Share Limit (nor shall Shares subject to a Substitute Award be added to the Shares available for Awards under the Plan as provided above), except that Shares acquired by exercise of substitute Incentive Stock Options will count against the maximum number of Shares that may be issued pursuant to the exercise of Incentive Stock Options under the Plan. Additionally, in the event that a company acquired by the Company or any Subsidiary or with which the Company or any Subsidiary combines has shares available under a pre-existing plan approved by stockholders and not adopted in contemplation of such acquisition or combination, the shares available for grant pursuant to the terms of such pre-existing plan (as adjusted, to the extent appropriate, using the exchange ratio or other adjustment or valuation ratio or formula used in such acquisition or combination to determine the consideration payable to the holders of common stock of the entities party to such acquisition or combination) may be used for Awards under the Plan and shall not reduce the Shares authorized for grant under the Plan (and Shares subject to such Awards shall not be added to the Shares available for Awards under the Plan as provided above); provided that Awards using such available shares shall not be made after the date awards or grants could have been made under the terms of the pre-existing plan, absent the acquisition or combination, and shall only be made to individuals who were not Employees, Consultants or Directors prior to such acquisition or combination.

4.5 Non-Employee Director Compensation. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in the Plan, the Administrator may establish compensation for non-employee Directors from time to time, subject to the limitations in the Plan. The Administrator will from time to time determine the terms, conditions and amounts of all such non-employee Director compensation in its discretion and pursuant to the exercise of its business judgment, taking into account such factors, circumstances and considerations as it shall deem relevant from time to time, provided that the sum of any cash compensation, or other compensation, and the value (determined as of the grant date in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards Codification Topic 718, or any successor thereto) of Awards granted to a non-employee Director as compensation for services as a non-employee Director during any calendar year of the Company may not exceed \$1,000,000 (increased to \$1,500,000 in the calendar year of a non-employee Director's initial service as a non-employee director or any calendar year during which a non-employee Director serves as chairman of the Board or lead independent Director), which limits shall not apply to the compensation for any non-employee Director of the Company who serves in any capacity in addition to that of a non-employee Director for which he or she receives additional compensation or any compensation paid to any non-employee Director prior to the calendar year following the calendar year in

which the Plan's effective date occurs. The Administrator may make exceptions to this limit for individual non-employee Directors, as the Administrator may determine in its discretion.

**ARTICLE V.
STOCK OPTIONS AND STOCK APPRECIATION RIGHTS**

5.1 General. The Administrator may grant Options or Stock Appreciation Rights to Service Providers subject to the limitations in the Plan, including any limitations in the Plan that apply to Incentive Stock Options. A Stock Appreciation Right will entitle the Participant (or other person entitled to exercise the Stock Appreciation Right) to receive from the Company upon exercise of the exercisable portion of the Stock Appreciation Right an amount determined by multiplying the excess, if any, of the Fair Market Value of one Share on the date of exercise over the exercise price per Share of the Stock Appreciation Right by the number of Shares with respect to which the Stock Appreciation Right is exercised, subject to any limitations of the Plan or that the Administrator may impose and payable in cash, Shares valued at Fair Market Value or a combination of the two as the Administrator may determine or provide in the Award Agreement.

5.2 Exercise Price. The Administrator will establish each Option's and Stock Appreciation Right's exercise price and specify the exercise price in the Award Agreement. The exercise price will not be less than 100% of the Fair Market Value on the grant date of the Option (subject to Section 5.6) or Stock Appreciation Right. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the case of an Option or a Stock Appreciation Right that is a Substitute Award, the exercise price per share of the Shares subject to such Option or Stock Appreciation Right, as applicable, may be less than the Fair Market Value per share on the date of grant; provided that the exercise price of any Substitute Award shall be determined in accordance with the applicable requirements of Sections 424 and 409A of the Code.

5.3 Duration. Each Option or Stock Appreciation Right will be exercisable at such times and as specified in the Award Agreement, provided that, subject to Section 5.6, the term of an Option or Stock Appreciation Right will not exceed ten (10) years. Notwithstanding the foregoing and unless determined otherwise by the Company, to the extent permitted under Applicable Laws, if the Participant, prior to the end of the term of an Option or Stock Appreciation Right, violates the non-competition, non-solicitation, confidentiality or other similar restrictive covenant provisions of any employment contract, confidentiality and nondisclosure agreement or other agreement between the Participant and the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, the right of the Participant and the Participant's transferees to exercise any Option or Stock Appreciation Right issued to the Participant shall terminate immediately upon such violation, unless the Company otherwise determines.

5.4 Exercise. Options and Stock Appreciation Rights may be exercised by delivering to the Company a written notice of exercise, in a form the Administrator approves (which may be electronic), signed by the person authorized to exercise the Option or Stock Appreciation Right, together with, as applicable, payment in full (i) as specified in Section 5.5 for the number of Shares for which the Award is exercised and (ii) as specified in Section 9.5 for any applicable taxes. Unless the Administrator otherwise determines, an Option or Stock Appreciation Right may not be exercised for a fraction of a Share.

5.5 Payment Upon Exercise. Subject to Section 10.8, any Company insider trading policy (including blackout periods) and Applicable Laws, the exercise price of an Option must be paid by:

(a) cash, wire transfer of immediately available funds or by check payable to the order of the Company, provided that the Company may limit the use of one of the foregoing payment forms if one or more of the payment forms below is permitted;

(b) if there is a public market for Shares at the time of exercise, unless the Company otherwise determines, (A) delivery (including electronically or telephonically to the extent permitted by the Company) of an irrevocable and unconditional undertaking by a broker acceptable to the Company to deliver promptly to the Company sufficient funds to pay the exercise price, or (B) the Participant's delivery to the Company of a copy of irrevocable and unconditional instructions to a broker acceptable to the Company to deliver promptly to the Company cash or a check sufficient to pay the exercise price; provided that such amount is paid to the Company at such time as may be required by the Administrator;

(c) to the extent permitted by the Administrator, delivery (either by actual delivery or attestation) of Shares owned by the Participant valued at their fair market value;

(d) to the extent permitted by the Administrator, surrendering Shares then issuable upon the Option's exercise valued at their fair market value on the exercise date;

(e) to the extent permitted by the Administrator, delivery of a promissory note or any other property that the Administrator determines is good and valuable consideration; or

(f) to the extent permitted by the Company, any combination of the above payment forms approved by the Administrator.

5.6 Additional Terms of Incentive Stock Options. The Administrator may grant Incentive Stock Options only to employees of the Company, any of its present or future parent or subsidiary corporations, as defined in Sections 424(e) or (f) of the Code, respectively, and any other entities the employees of which are eligible to receive Incentive Stock Options under the Code. If an Incentive Stock Option is granted to a Greater Than 10% Stockholder, the exercise price will not be less than 110% of the Fair Market Value on the Option's grant date, and the term of the Option will not exceed five (5) years. All Incentive Stock Options will be subject to and construed consistently with Section 422 of the Code. By accepting an Incentive Stock Option, the Participant agrees to give prompt notice to the Company of dispositions or other transfers (other than in connection with a Change in Control) of Shares acquired under the Option made within (i) two (2) years from the grant date of the Option or (ii) one (1) year after the transfer of such Shares to the Participant, specifying the date of the disposition or other transfer and the amount the Participant realized, in cash, other property, assumption of indebtedness or other consideration, in such disposition or other transfer. Neither the Company nor the Administrator will be liable to a Participant, or any other party, if an Incentive Stock Option fails or ceases to qualify as an "incentive stock option" under Section 422 of the Code. Any Incentive Stock Option or portion thereof that fails to qualify as an "incentive stock option" under Section 422 of the Code for any reason, including becoming exercisable with respect to Shares having a fair market value exceeding the \$100,000 limitation under Treasury Regulation Section 1.422-4, will be a Non-Qualified Stock Option. The foregoing terms shall be incorporated into any Award Agreement evidencing an Option intended to be an Incentive Stock Option to the extent necessary to cause such Award to so qualify.

**ARTICLE VI.
RESTRICTED STOCK; RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS**

6.1 General. The Administrator may grant Restricted Stock, or the right to purchase Restricted Stock, to any Service Provider, subject to the Company's right to repurchase all or part of such Shares at their issue price or other stated or formula price from the Participant (or to require forfeiture of such Shares) if conditions the Administrator specifies in the Award Agreement are not satisfied before the end of the applicable restriction period or periods that the Administrator establishes for such Award. In addition, the Administrator may grant to Service Providers Restricted Stock Units, which may be subject to vesting and forfeiture conditions during the applicable restriction period or periods, as set forth in an Award Agreement.

6.2 Restricted Stock.

(a) Dividends. Participants holding Shares of Restricted Stock will be entitled to all ordinary cash dividends paid with respect to such Shares, unless the Administrator provides otherwise in the Award Agreement. In addition, unless the Administrator provides otherwise, if any dividends or distributions are paid in Shares, or consist of a dividend or distribution to holders of Common Stock of property other than an ordinary cash dividend, the Shares or other property will be subject to the same restrictions on transferability and forfeitability as the Shares of Restricted Stock with respect to which they were paid. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, unless otherwise determined by the Administrator, with respect to any award of Restricted Stock, dividends which are paid to holders of Common Stock prior to vesting shall only be paid out to a Participant holding such Restricted Stock to the extent that the vesting conditions are subsequently satisfied. All such dividend payments will be made no later than March 15 of the calendar year following the calendar year in which the right to the dividend payment becomes nonforfeitable.

(b) Stock Certificates. The Company may require that the Participant deposit in escrow with the Company (or its designee) any stock certificates issued in respect of Shares of Restricted Stock, together with a stock power endorsed in blank.

6.3 Restricted Stock Units.

(a) Settlement. The Administrator may provide that settlement of Restricted Stock Units will occur upon or as soon as reasonably practicable after the Restricted Stock Units vest or will instead be deferred, on a mandatory basis or at the Participant's election, in a manner intended to comply with Section 409A.

(b) Stockholder Rights. A Participant will have no rights of a stockholder with respect to Shares subject to any Restricted Stock Unit unless and until the Shares are delivered in settlement of the Restricted Stock Unit.

**ARTICLE VII.
OTHER STOCK OR CASH BASED AWARDS; DIVIDEND EQUIVALENTS**

7.1 Other Stock or Cash Based Awards. Other Stock or Cash Based Awards may be granted to Participants, including Awards entitling Participants to receive Shares to be delivered in the future and including annual or other periodic or long-term cash bonus awards (whether based on specified Performance Criteria or otherwise), in each case subject to any conditions and limitations in the Plan. Such Other Stock or Cash Based Awards will also be available as a payment form in the settlement of other Awards, as standalone payments and as payment in lieu of compensation to which a Participant is otherwise

entitled. Other Stock or Cash Based Awards may be paid in Shares, cash, or other property, as the Administrator determines.

7.2 Dividend Equivalents. A grant of Restricted Stock Units or Other Stock or Cash Based Award may provide a Participant with the right to receive Dividend Equivalents, and no Dividend Equivalents shall be payable with respect to Options or Stock Appreciation Rights. Dividend Equivalents may be paid currently or credited to an account for the Participant, settled in cash or Shares and subject to the same restrictions on transferability and forfeitability as the Award with to which the Dividend Equivalents are paid and subject to other terms and conditions as set forth in the Award Agreement. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, unless otherwise determined by the Administrator, Dividend Equivalents with respect to an Award shall only be paid to a Participant to the extent that the vesting conditions are subsequently satisfied. All such Dividend Equivalent payments will be made no later than March 15 of the calendar year following the calendar year in which the right to the Dividend Equivalent payment becomes nonforfeitable, unless determined otherwise by the Administrator or unless deferred in a manner intended to comply with Section 409A.

**ARTICLE VIII.
ADJUSTMENTS FOR CHANGES IN COMMON STOCK
AND CERTAIN OTHER EVENTS**

8.1 Equity Restructuring(a). In connection with any Equity Restructuring, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Article VIII, the Administrator will equitably adjust each outstanding Award as it deems appropriate to reflect the Equity Restructuring, which may include adjusting the number and type of securities subject to each outstanding Award and/or the Award's exercise price or grant price (if applicable), granting new Awards to Participants, and making a cash payment to Participants. The adjustments provided under this Section 8.1 will be nondiscretionary and final and binding on the affected Participant and the Company; provided that the Administrator will determine whether an adjustment is equitable.

8.2 Corporate Transactions. In the event of any dividend or other distribution (whether in the form of cash, Common Stock, other securities, or other property), reorganization, merger, consolidation, combination, amalgamation, repurchase, recapitalization, liquidation, dissolution, or sale, transfer, exchange or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company, or sale or exchange of Common Stock or other securities of the Company, Change in Control, issuance of warrants or other rights to purchase Common Stock or other securities of the Company, other similar corporate transaction or event, other unusual or nonrecurring transaction or event affecting the Company or its financial statements or any change in any Applicable Laws or accounting principles, the Administrator, on such terms and conditions as it deems appropriate, either by the terms of the Award or by action taken prior to the occurrence of such transaction or event (except that action to give effect to a change in Applicable Law or accounting principles may be made within a reasonable period of time after such change), is hereby authorized to take any one or more of the following actions whenever the Administrator determines that such action is appropriate in order to (x) prevent dilution or enlargement of the benefits or potential benefits intended by the Company to be made available under the Plan or with respect to any Award granted or issued under the Plan, (y) to facilitate such transaction or event or (z) give effect to such changes in Applicable Laws or accounting principles:

(a) To provide for the cancellation of any such Award in exchange for either an amount of cash or other property with a value equal to the amount that could have been obtained upon the exercise or settlement of the vested portion of such Award or realization of the Participant's rights under the vested portion of such Award, as applicable; provided that, if the amount that could have been obtained upon the exercise or settlement of the vested portion of such Award or realization of the Participant's rights,

in any case, is equal to or less than zero, then the Award may be terminated without payment; provided, further, that Awards held by members of the Board will be settled in Shares on or immediately prior to the applicable event if the Administrator takes action under this clause (a);

(b) To provide that such Award shall vest and, to the extent applicable, be exercisable as to all Shares covered thereby, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Plan or the provisions of such Award;

(c) To provide that such Award be assumed by the successor or survivor corporation, or a parent or subsidiary thereof, or shall be substituted for by awards covering the stock of the successor or survivor corporation, or a parent or subsidiary thereof, with appropriate adjustments as to the number and kind of shares and/or applicable exercise or purchase price, in all cases, as determined by the Administrator;

(d) To make adjustments in the number and type of Shares (or other securities or property) subject to outstanding Awards and/or with respect to which Awards may be granted under the Plan (including, but not limited to, adjustments of the limitations in Article IV on the maximum number and kind of shares which may be issued) and/or in the terms and conditions of (including the grant or exercise price or applicable performance goals), and the criteria included in, outstanding Awards;

(e) To replace such Award with other rights or property selected by the Administrator; and/or

(f) To provide that the Award will terminate and cannot vest, be exercised or become payable after the applicable event.

8.3 Effect of Non-Assumption in a Change in Control. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 8.2, if a Change in Control occurs and a Participant's Awards are not continued, converted, assumed, or replaced with a substantially similar award by (a) the Company, or (b) a successor entity or its parent or subsidiary (an "**Assumption**"), and provided that the Participant has not had a Termination of Service, then the Administrator may provide that, immediately prior to the Change in Control, such Awards shall become fully vested, exercisable and/or payable, as applicable, and all forfeiture, repurchase and other restrictions on such Awards shall lapse, in which case, such Awards shall be canceled upon the consummation of the Change in Control in exchange for the right to receive the Change in Control consideration payable to other holders of Common Stock (i) which may be on such terms and conditions as apply generally to holders of Common Stock under the Change in Control documents (including, without limitation, any escrow, earn-out or other deferred consideration provisions) or such other terms and conditions as the Administrator may provide, and (ii) determined by reference to the number of Shares subject to such Awards and net of any applicable exercise price; *provided that* to the extent that any Awards constitute "nonqualified deferred compensation" that may not be paid upon the Change in Control under Section 409A without the imposition of taxes thereon under Section 409A, the timing of such payments shall be governed by the applicable Award Agreement (subject to any deferred consideration provisions applicable under the Change in Control documents); and *provided, further*, that if the amount to which a Participant would be entitled upon the settlement or exercise of such Award at the time of the Change in Control is equal to or less than zero, then such Award may be terminated without payment. An Award will be considered replaced with a comparable award if the Award is exchanged for an amount of cash or other property with a value equal to the amount that could have been obtained upon the settlement of such Award in such Change in Control (as determined by the Administrator), even if such cash or other property payable with respect to the unvested portion of such Award remains subject to similar vesting provisions following such Change in Control. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Administrator will have full and final authority to determine whether an Assumption of an Award has occurred in connection with a Change in Control.

8.4 Administrative Stand Still. In the event of any pending stock dividend, stock split, combination or exchange of shares, merger, consolidation or other distribution (other than normal cash dividends) of Company assets to stockholders, or any other extraordinary transaction or change affecting the Shares or the Share price, including any Equity Restructuring or any securities offering or other similar transaction, for administrative convenience, the Administrator may refuse to permit the exercise of any Award for up to sixty (60) days before or after such transaction.

8.5 General. Except as expressly provided in the Plan or the Administrator's action under the Plan, no Participant will have any rights due to any subdivision or consolidation of Shares of any class, dividend payment, increase or decrease in the number of Shares of any class or dissolution, liquidation, merger, or consolidation of the Company or other corporation. Except as expressly provided with respect to an Equity Restructuring under Section 8.1 or the Administrator's action under the Plan, no issuance by the Company of Shares of any class, or securities convertible into Shares of any class, will affect, and no adjustment will be made regarding, the number of Shares subject to an Award or the Award's grant or exercise price. The existence of the Plan, any Award Agreements and the Awards granted hereunder will not affect or restrict in any way the Company's right or power to make or authorize (i) any adjustment, recapitalization, reorganization or other change in the Company's capital structure or its business, (ii) any merger, consolidation dissolution or liquidation of the Company or sale of Company assets or (iii) any sale or issuance of securities, including securities with rights superior to those of the Shares or securities convertible into or exchangeable for Shares. The Administrator may treat Participants and Awards (or portions thereof) differently under this Article VIII.

ARTICLE IX.
GENERAL PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO AWARDS

9.1 Transferability. Except as the Administrator may determine or provide in an Award Agreement or otherwise for Awards other than Incentive Stock Options, Awards may not be sold, assigned, transferred, pledged or otherwise encumbered, either voluntarily or by operation of law, except for certain Designated Beneficiary designations, by will or the laws of descent and distribution, or, subject to the Administrator's consent, pursuant to a domestic relations order, and, during the life of the Participant, will be exercisable only by the Participant. Any permitted transfer of an Award hereunder shall be without consideration, except as required by Applicable Law. References to a Participant, to the extent relevant in the context, will include references to a Participant's authorized transferee that the Administrator specifically approves.

9.2 Documentation. Each Award will be evidenced in an Award Agreement, which may be written or electronic, as the Administrator determines. Each Award may contain terms and conditions in addition to those set forth in the Plan.

9.3 Discretion. Except as the Plan otherwise provides, each Award may be made alone or in addition or in relation to any other Award. The terms of each Award to a Participant need not be identical, and the Administrator need not treat Participants or Awards (or portions thereof) uniformly.

9.4 Termination of Status. The Administrator will determine how the disability, death, retirement, an authorized leave of absence or any other change or purported change in a Participant's Service Provider status affects an Award and the extent to which, and the period during which, the Participant, the Participant's legal representative, conservator, guardian or Designated Beneficiary may exercise rights under the Award, if applicable.

9.5 Withholding. Each Participant must pay the Company or make provision satisfactory to the Administrator for payment of, any taxes required by Applicable Law to be withheld in connection with

such Participant's Awards by the date of the event creating the tax liability. The Company may deduct an amount sufficient to satisfy such tax obligations based on the applicable statutory withholding rates (or such other rate as may be determined by the Company after considering any accounting consequences or costs) from any payment of any kind otherwise due to a Participant. In the absence of a contrary determination by the Company (or, with respect to withholding pursuant to clause (ii) below with respect to Awards held by individuals subject to Section 16 of the Exchange Act, a contrary determination by the Administrator), all tax withholding obligations will be calculated based on the minimum applicable statutory withholding rates. Subject to Section 10.8 and any Company insider trading policy (including blackout periods), Participants may satisfy such tax obligations (i) in cash, by wire transfer of immediately available funds, by check made payable to the order of the Company, provided that the Company may limit the use of the foregoing payment forms if one or more of the payment forms below is permitted, (ii) to the extent permitted by the Administrator, in whole or in part by delivery of Shares, including Shares delivered by attestation and Shares retained from the Award creating the tax obligation, valued at their fair market value on the date of delivery, (iii) if there is a public market for Shares at the time the tax obligations are satisfied, unless the Company otherwise determines, (A) delivery (including electronically or telephonically to the extent permitted by the Company) of an irrevocable and unconditional undertaking by a broker acceptable to the Company to deliver promptly to the Company sufficient funds to satisfy the tax obligations, or (B) delivery by the Participant to the Company of a copy of irrevocable and unconditional instructions to a broker acceptable to the Company to deliver promptly to the Company cash or a check sufficient to satisfy the tax withholding; provided that such amount is paid to the Company at such time as may be required by the Administrator, or (iv) to the extent permitted by the Company, any combination of the foregoing payment forms approved by the Administrator. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Plan, the number of Shares which may be so delivered or retained pursuant to clause (ii) of the immediately preceding sentence shall be limited to the number of Shares which have a fair market value on the date of delivery or retention no greater than the aggregate amount of such liabilities based on the maximum individual statutory tax rate in the applicable jurisdiction at the time of such withholding (or such other rate as may be required to avoid the liability classification of the applicable award under generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America); provided, however, to the extent such Shares were acquired by Participant from the Company as compensation, the Shares must have been held for the minimum period required by applicable accounting rules to avoid a charge to the Company's earnings for financial reporting purposes; provided, further, that, any such Shares delivered or retained shall be rounded up to the nearest whole Share to the extent rounding up to the nearest whole Share does not result in the liability classification of the applicable Award under generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America. If any tax withholding obligation will be satisfied under clause (ii) above by the Company's retention of Shares from the Award creating the tax obligation and there is a public market for Shares at the time the tax obligation is satisfied, the Company may elect to instruct any brokerage firm determined acceptable to the Company for such purpose to sell on the applicable Participant's behalf some or all of the Shares retained and to remit the proceeds of the sale to the Company or its designee, and each Participant's acceptance of an Award under the Plan will constitute the Participant's authorization to the Company and instruction and authorization to such brokerage firm to complete the transactions described in this sentence.

9.6 Amendment of Award; Repricing. The Administrator may amend, modify, or terminate any outstanding Award, including by substituting another Award of the same or a different type, changing the exercise or settlement date, and converting an Incentive Stock Option to a Non-Qualified Stock Option. The Participant's consent to such action will be required unless (i) the action, taking into account any related action, does not materially and adversely affect the Participant's rights under the Award, or (ii) the change is permitted under Article VIII or pursuant to Section 10.6. Notwithstanding the foregoing or anything in the Plan to the contrary, the Administrator may, without the approval of the stockholders of the Company, reduce the exercise price per share of outstanding Options or Stock Appreciation Rights or cancel outstanding Options or Stock Appreciation Rights that have an exercise price in excess of Fair Market

Value in exchange for cash, other Awards or Options or Stock Appreciation Rights with an exercise price per share that is less than the exercise price per share of the original Options or Stock Appreciation Rights.

9.7 Conditions on Delivery of Stock. The Company will not be obligated to deliver any Shares under the Plan or remove restrictions from Shares previously delivered under the Plan until (i) all Award conditions have been met or removed to the Company's satisfaction, (ii) as determined by the Company, all other legal matters regarding the issuance and delivery of such Shares have been satisfied, including any applicable securities laws and stock exchange or stock market rules and regulations, and (iii) the Participant has executed and delivered to the Company such representations or agreements as the Administrator deems necessary or appropriate to satisfy any Applicable Laws. The Company's inability to obtain authority from any regulatory body having jurisdiction, which the Administrator determines is necessary to the lawful issuance and sale of any securities, will relieve the Company of any liability for failing to issue or sell such Shares as to which such requisite authority has not been obtained.

9.8 Acceleration. The Administrator may at any time provide that any Award will become immediately vested and fully or partially exercisable, free of some or all restrictions or conditions, or otherwise fully or partially realizable.

9.9 Cash Settlement. Without limiting the generality of any other provision of the Plan, the Administrator may provide, in an Award Agreement or subsequent to the grant of an Award, at its discretion, that any Award may be settled in cash, Shares or a combination thereof.

9.10 Broker-Assisted Sales9.11. In the event of a broker-assisted sale of Shares in connection with the payment of amounts owed by a Participant under or with respect to the Plan or Awards, including amounts to be paid under the final sentence of Section 9.5: (a) any Shares to be sold through the broker-assisted sale will be sold on the day the payment first becomes due, or as soon thereafter as practicable; (b) such Shares may be sold as part of a block trade with other Participants in the Plan in which all Participants receive an average price; (c) the applicable Participant will be responsible for all broker's fees and other costs of sale, and by accepting an Award, each Participant agrees to indemnify and hold the Company harmless from any losses, costs, damages, or expenses relating to any such sale; (d) to the extent the Company or its designee receives proceeds of such sale that exceed the amount owed, the Company will pay such excess in cash to the applicable Participant as soon as reasonably practicable; (e) the Company and its designees are under no obligation to arrange for such sale at any particular price; and (f) in the event the proceeds of such sale are insufficient to satisfy the Participant's applicable obligation, the Participant may be required to pay immediately upon demand to the Company or its designee an amount in cash sufficient to satisfy any remaining portion of the Participant's obligation.

ARTICLE X. MISCELLANEOUS

10.1 No Right to Employment or Other Status. No person will have any claim or right to be granted an Award, and the grant of an Award will not be construed as giving a Participant the right to continued employment or any other relationship with the Company or any of its Subsidiaries. The Company and its Subsidiaries expressly reserves the right at any time to dismiss or otherwise terminate its relationship with a Participant free from any liability or claim under the Plan or any Award, except as expressly provided in an Award Agreement or in the Plan.

10.2 No Rights as Stockholder; Certificates. Subject to the Award Agreement, no Participant or Designated Beneficiary will have any rights as a stockholder with respect to any Shares to be distributed under an Award until becoming the record holder of such Shares. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Plan, unless the Administrator otherwise determines or Applicable Laws require, the Company will not

be required to deliver to any Participant certificates evidencing Shares issued in connection with any Award and instead such Shares may be recorded in the books of the Company (or, as applicable, its transfer agent or stock plan administrator). The Company may place legends on stock certificates issued under the Plan that the Administrator deems necessary or appropriate to comply with Applicable Laws.

10.3 Effective Date and Term of Plan. Unless earlier terminated by the Board, the Plan will become effective on the Pricing Date and will remain in effect until the tenth anniversary of the earlier of (i) the date the Board adopted the Plan or (ii) the date the Company's stockholders approved the Plan, but Awards previously granted may extend beyond that date in accordance with the Plan. The Plan will be submitted for the approval of the Company's stockholders within twelve (12) months after the date of the Board's adoption of the Plan.

10.4 Amendment and Termination of Plan. The Administrator may amend, suspend, or terminate the Plan at any time; provided that no amendment, other than an increase to the Overall Share Limit, may materially and adversely affect any Award outstanding at the time of such amendment without the affected Participant's consent. No Awards may be granted under the Plan during any suspension period or after the Plan's termination. Awards outstanding at the time of any Plan suspension or termination will continue to be governed by the Plan and the Award Agreement, as in effect before such suspension or termination. The Board will obtain stockholder approval of any Plan amendment to the extent necessary to comply with Applicable Laws.

10.5 Provisions for Foreign Participants. The Administrator may modify Awards granted to Participants who are foreign nationals or employed outside the United States or establish subplans or procedures under the Plan to address differences in laws, rules, regulations, or customs of such foreign jurisdictions with respect to tax, securities, currency, employee benefit or other matters.

10.6 Section 409A.

(a) General. The Company intends that all Awards be structured to comply with, or be exempt from, Section 409A, such that no adverse tax consequences, interest, or penalties under Section 409A apply. Notwithstanding anything in the Plan or any Award Agreement to the contrary, the Administrator may, without a Participant's consent, amend this Plan or Awards, adopt policies and procedures, or take any other actions (including amendments, policies, procedures and retroactive actions) as are necessary or appropriate to preserve the intended tax treatment of Awards, including any such actions intended to (A) exempt this Plan or any Award from Section 409A, or (B) comply with Section 409A, including regulations, guidance, compliance programs and other interpretative authority that may be issued after an Award's grant date. The Company makes no representations or warranties as to an Award's tax treatment under Section 409A or otherwise. The Company will have no obligation under this Section 10.6 or otherwise to avoid the taxes, penalties, or interest under Section 409A with respect to any Award and will have no liability to any Participant or any other person if any Award, compensation or other benefits under the Plan are determined to constitute noncompliant "nonqualified deferred compensation" subject to taxes, penalties or interest under Section 409A.

(b) Separation from Service. If an Award constitutes "nonqualified deferred compensation" under Section 409A, any payment or settlement of such Award upon a termination of a Participant's Service Provider relationship will, to the extent necessary to avoid taxes under Section 409A, be made only upon the Participant's "separation from service" (within the meaning of Section 409A), whether such "separation from service" occurs upon or after the termination of the Participant's Service Provider relationship. For purposes of this Plan or any Award Agreement relating to any such payments or benefits, references to a "termination," "termination of employment" or like terms means a "separation from service."

(c) Payments to Specified Employees. Notwithstanding any contrary provision in the Plan or any Award Agreement, any payment(s) of “nonqualified deferred compensation” required to be made under an Award to a “specified employee” (as defined under Section 409A and as the Administrator determines) due to his or her “separation from service” will, to the extent necessary to avoid taxes under Section 409A(a)(2)(B)(i) of the Code, be delayed for the six (6)-month period immediately following such “separation from service” (or, if earlier, until the specified employee’s death) and will instead be paid (as set forth in the Award Agreement) on the day immediately following such six (6)-month period or as soon as administratively practicable thereafter (without interest). Any payments of “nonqualified deferred compensation” under such Award payable more than six (6) months following the Participant’s “separation from service” will be paid at the time or times the payments are otherwise scheduled to be made. Furthermore, notwithstanding any contrary provision of the Plan or any Award Agreement, any payment of “nonqualified deferred compensation” under the Plan that may be made in installments shall be treated as a right to receive a series of separate and distinct payments.

10.7 Limitations on Liability. Notwithstanding any other provisions of the Plan, no individual acting as a director, officer, other employee or agent of the Company or any Subsidiary will be liable to any Participant, former Participant, spouse, beneficiary, or any other person for any claim, loss, liability, or expense incurred in connection with the Plan or any Award, and such individual will not be personally liable with respect to the Plan because of any contract or other instrument executed in his or her capacity as an Administrator, director, officer, other employee or agent of the Company or any Subsidiary. The Company will indemnify and hold harmless each director, officer, other employee and agent of the Company or any Subsidiary that has been or will be granted or delegated any duty or power relating to the Plan’s administration or interpretation, against any cost or expense (including attorneys’ fees) or liability (including any sum paid in settlement of a claim with the Administrator’s approval) arising from any act or omission concerning this Plan unless arising from such person’s own fraud or bad faith.

10.8 Lock-Up Period. The Company may, at the request of any underwriter representative or otherwise, in connection with registering the offering of any Company securities under the Securities Act, prohibit Participants from, directly or indirectly, selling or otherwise transferring any Shares or other Company securities during a period of up to one hundred eighty (180) days following the effective date of a Company registration statement filed under the Securities Act, or such longer period as determined by the underwriter.

10.9 Data Privacy. As a condition for receiving any Award, each Participant explicitly and unambiguously consents to the collection, use and transfer, in electronic or other form, of personal data as described in this section by and among the Company and its Subsidiaries and affiliates exclusively for implementing, administering, and managing the Participant’s participation in the Plan. The Company and its Subsidiaries and affiliates may hold certain personal information about a Participant, including the Participant’s name, address, and telephone number; birthdate; social security number, insurance number or other identification number; salary; nationality; job title(s); any Shares held in the Company or its Subsidiaries and affiliates; and Award details, to implement, manage and administer the Plan and Awards (the “*Data*”). The Company and its Subsidiaries and affiliates may transfer the Data amongst themselves as necessary to implement, administer and manage a Participant’s participation in the Plan, and the Company and its Subsidiaries and affiliates may transfer the Data to third parties assisting the Company with Plan implementation, administration, and management. These recipients may be located in the Participant’s country, or elsewhere, and the Participant’s country may have different data privacy laws and protections than the recipients’ country. By accepting an Award, each Participant authorizes such recipients to receive, possess, use, retain and transfer the Data, in electronic or other form, to implement, administer and manage the Participant’s participation in the Plan, including any required Data transfer to a broker or other third party with whom the Company or the Participant may elect to deposit any Shares. The Data related to a Participant will be held only as long as necessary to implement, administer, and manage the

Participant's participation in the Plan. A Participant may, at any time, view the Data that the Company holds regarding such Participant, request additional information about the storage and processing of the Data regarding such Participant, recommend any necessary corrections to the Data regarding the Participant or refuse or withdraw the consents in this Section 10.9 in writing, without cost, by contacting the local human resources representative. If the Participant refuses or withdraws the consents in this Section 10.9, the Company may cancel Participant's ability to participate in the Plan and, in the Administrator's discretion, the Participant may forfeit any outstanding Awards. For more information on the consequences of refusing or withdrawing consent, Participants may contact their local human resources representative.

10.10 Severability. If any portion of the Plan or any action taken under it is held illegal or invalid for any reason, the illegality or invalidity will not affect the remaining parts of the Plan, and the Plan will be construed and enforced as if the illegal or invalid provisions had been excluded, and the illegal or invalid action will be null and void.

10.11 Governing Documents. If any contradiction occurs between the Plan and any Award Agreement or other written agreement between a Participant and the Company (or any Subsidiary) that the Administrator has approved, the Plan will govern, unless it is expressly specified in such Award Agreement or other written document that a specific provision of the Plan will not apply.

10.12 Governing Law; Venue; Waiver of Jury Trial. The Plan and all Awards will be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Delaware, disregarding any state's choice-of-law principles requiring the application of a jurisdiction's laws other than the State of Delaware. By accepting an Award, each Participant irrevocably and unconditionally consents to submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of the State of Delaware and of the United States of America, in each case located in the State of Delaware, for any action arising out of or relating to the Plan (and agrees not to commence any litigation relating thereto except in such courts), and further agrees that service of any process, summons, notice or document by U.S. registered mail to the address contained in the records of the Company shall be effective service of process for any litigation brought against it in any such court. By accepting an Award, each Participant irrevocably and unconditionally waives any objection to the laying of venue of any litigation arising out of the Plan or any Award hereunder in the courts of the State of Delaware or the United States of America, in each case located in the State of Delaware, and further irrevocably and unconditionally waives and agrees not to plead or claim in any such court that any such litigation brought in any such court has been brought in an inconvenient forum. By accepting an Award, each Participant irrevocably and unconditionally waives, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, any and all rights to trial by jury in connection with any litigation arising out of or relating to the Plan or any Award hereunder.

10.13 Clawback Provisions. All compensation received by Participants, including pursuant to Awards (including, without limitation, any proceeds, gains or other economic benefit actually or constructively received by Participant upon any receipt or exercise of any Award or upon the receipt or resale of any Shares underlying the Award) shall be subject to reduction, cancellation, forfeiture and/or recoupment to the extent necessary to comply with (a) any clawback, forfeiture or other similar policy adopted by the Company, including, without limitation, the Policy for Recovery of Erroneously Awarded Compensation (as amended from time to time, the "**Policy**") adopted by the Company, and (b) any other clawback, recoupment, forfeiture or similar policies or provisions applicable to a Participant or required under Applicable Law (collectively, the "**Recovery Arrangements**"), notwithstanding any other agreement to the contrary. No recovery of compensation under any Recovery Arrangements will be an event that triggers or contributes to any right of a Participant to resign for "good reason" (or similar term) under the Plan or any Award Agreement or any other agreement with the Company or a Subsidiary or affiliate. By accepting an Award, each Participant will be deemed to have agreed that he or she is not entitled to indemnification in connection with any enforcement of the Recovery Arrangements and to have waived

any rights to such indemnification under the Company's organizational documents or otherwise. By accepting an Award, each Participant agrees to take all required action in a reasonably prompt manner, as applicable, to enable the enforcement of the Recovery Arrangements. The Administrator may condition a Participant's receipt of an Award on such Participant's execution of an acknowledgment pursuant to which such Participant will agree to be bound by the terms of, and comply with, the Recovery Arrangements and this Section 10.13.

10.14 Titles and Headings. The titles and headings in the Plan are for convenience of reference only and, if there is any conflict, the Plan's text, rather than such titles or headings, will control.

10.15 Conformity to Securities Laws. Participant acknowledges that the Plan is intended to conform to the extent necessary with Applicable Laws. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Plan and all Awards will be administered only in conformance with Applicable Laws. To the extent Applicable Laws permit, the Plan and all Award Agreements will be deemed amended as necessary to conform to Applicable Laws.

10.16 Relationship to Other Benefits. No payment under the Plan will be taken into account in determining any benefits under any pension, retirement, savings, profit sharing, group insurance, welfare or other benefit plan of the Company or any Subsidiary except as expressly provided in writing in such other plan or an agreement thereunder.

10.17 Plan Language. The official language of the Plan shall be English. To the extent that the Plan or any Award Agreements are translated from English into another language, the English version of the Plan and Award Agreements will always govern, in the event that there are inconsistencies or ambiguities which may arise due to such translation.

10.18 Applicable Currency. The Award Agreement shall specify the currency applicable to such Award. The Administrator may determine, in its sole discretion, that an Award denominated in one currency may be paid in any other currency based on the prevailing exchange rate as the Administrator deems appropriate. A Participant may be required to provide evidence that any currency used to pay the exercise price of any Award were acquired and taken out of the jurisdiction in which the Participant resides in accordance with Applicable Laws, including foreign exchange control laws and regulations. In the absence of a designation in an Award Agreement, the currency applicable to an Award shall be U.S. Dollars.

ARTICLE XI. DEFINITIONS

As used in the Plan, the following words and phrases will have the following meanings:

11.1 "**2022 Plan**" means the CG Oncology, Inc. 2022 Incentive Award Plan.

11.2 "**Administrator**" means the Board or a Committee to the extent that the Board's powers or authority under the Plan have been delegated to such Committee.

11.3 "**Applicable Laws**" means the requirements relating to the administration of equity incentive plans under U.S. federal and state securities, tax and other applicable laws, rules and regulations, the applicable rules of any stock exchange or quotation system on which the Common Stock is listed or quoted and the applicable laws and rules of any foreign country or other jurisdiction where Awards are granted.

11.4 “**Award**” means, individually or collectively, a grant under the Plan of Options, Stock Appreciation Rights, Restricted Stock, Restricted Stock Units, Dividend Equivalents, or Other Stock or Cash Based Awards.

11.5 “**Award Agreement**” means a written agreement evidencing an Award, which may be electronic, that contains such terms and conditions as the Administrator determines, consistent with and subject to the terms and conditions of the Plan.

11.6 “**Board**” means the Board of Directors of the Company.

11.7 “**Cause**” means (a) if a Participant is a party to a written employment, severance or consulting agreement with the Company or any of its Subsidiaries or an Award Agreement in which the term “cause” is defined (a “**Relevant Agreement**”), “Cause” as defined in the Relevant Agreement, and (b) if no Relevant Agreement exists, (i) the Administrator’s determination that the Participant failed to substantially perform the Participant’s duties (other than a failure resulting from the Participant’s Disability); (ii) the Administrator’s determination that the Participant failed to carry out, or comply with any lawful and reasonable directive of the Board or the Participant’s immediate supervisor; (iii) the Participant’s unauthorized use or disclosure of confidential information or trade secrets of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries or any material breach of a written agreement between the Participant and the Company; (iv) the occurrence of any act or omission by the Participant that could reasonably be expected to result in (or has resulted in) the Participant’s conviction, plea of no contest, plea of nolo contendere, or imposition of un-adjudicated probation for any felony or indictable offense or crime involving moral turpitude; (v) the Participant’s unlawful use (including being under the influence) or possession of illegal drugs on the premises of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries or while performing the Participant’s duties and responsibilities for the Company or any of its Subsidiaries; or (vi) the Participant’s commission of an act of fraud, embezzlement, misappropriation, misconduct, or breach of fiduciary duty against the Company or any of its Subsidiaries.

11.8 “**Change in Control**” means and includes each of the following:

(a) A transaction or series of transactions (other than an offering of Common Stock to the general public through a registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission or a transaction or series of transactions that meets the requirements of clauses (i) and (ii) of subsection (c) below) whereby any “person” or related “group” of “persons” (as such terms are used in Sections 13(d) and 14(d)(2) of the Exchange Act) (other than the Company, any of its Subsidiaries, an employee benefit plan maintained by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries or a “person” that, prior to such transaction, directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, the Company) directly or indirectly acquires beneficial ownership (within the meaning of Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act) of securities of the Company possessing more than 50% of the total combined voting power of the Company’s securities outstanding immediately after such acquisition; or

(b) During any period of two (2) consecutive years, individuals who, at the beginning of such period, constitute the Board together with any new Director(s) (other than a Director designated by a person who shall have entered into an agreement with the Company to effect a transaction described in subsections (a) or (c)) whose election by the Board or nomination for election by the Company’s stockholders was approved by a vote of at least two-thirds of the Directors then still in office who either were Directors at the beginning of the two (2)-year period or whose election or nomination for election was previously so approved, cease for any reason to constitute a majority thereof; or

(c) The consummation by the Company (whether directly involving the Company or indirectly involving the Company through one or more intermediaries) of (x) a merger, consolidation,

reorganization, or business combination or (y) a sale or other disposition of all or substantially all of the Company's assets in any single transaction or series of related transactions or (z) the acquisition of assets or stock of another entity, in each case other than a transaction:

(i) which results in the Company's voting securities outstanding immediately before the transaction continuing to represent (either by remaining outstanding or by being converted into voting securities of the Company or the person that, as a result of the transaction, controls, directly or indirectly, the Company or owns, directly or indirectly, all or substantially all of the Company's assets or otherwise succeeds to the business of the Company (the Company or such person, the "**Successor Entity**") directly or indirectly, at least a majority of the combined voting power of the Successor Entity's outstanding voting securities immediately after the transaction, and

(ii) after which no person or group beneficially owns voting securities representing 50% or more of the combined voting power of the Successor Entity; provided, however, that no person or group shall be treated for purposes of this clause (ii) as beneficially owning 50% or more of the combined voting power of the Successor Entity solely as a result of the voting power held in the Company prior to the consummation of the transaction.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if a Change in Control constitutes a payment event with respect to any Award (or portion of any Award) that provides for the deferral of compensation that is subject to Section 409A, to the extent required to avoid the imposition of additional taxes under Section 409A, the transaction or event described in subsection (a), (b) or (c) with respect to such Award (or portion thereof) shall only constitute a Change in Control for purposes of the payment timing of such Award if such transaction also constitutes a "change in control event," as defined in Treasury Regulation Section 1.409A-3(i)(5).

The Administrator shall have full and final authority, which shall be exercised in its discretion, to determine conclusively whether a Change in Control has occurred pursuant to the above definition, the date of the occurrence of such Change in Control and any incidental matters relating thereto; provided that any exercise of authority in conjunction with a determination of whether a Change in Control is a "change in control event" as defined in Treasury Regulation Section 1.409A-3(i)(5) shall be consistent with such regulation.

11.9 "**Code**" means the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the regulations issued thereunder.

11.10 "**Committee**" means one or more committees or subcommittees of the Board, which may include one or more Company directors or executive officers, to the extent Applicable Laws permit. To the extent required to comply with the provisions of Rule 16b-3, it is intended that each member of the Committee will be, at the time the Committee takes any action with respect to an Award that is subject to Rule 16b-3, a "non-employee director" within the meaning of Rule 16b-3; however, a Committee member's failure to qualify as a "non-employee director" within the meaning of Rule 16b-3 will not invalidate any Award granted by the Committee that is otherwise validly granted under the Plan.

11.11 "**Common Stock**" means the common stock of the Company.

11.12 "**Company**" means CG Oncology, Inc., a Delaware corporation, or any successor.

11.13 "**Consultant**" means any consultant or advisor engaged by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries to render services to such entity, in each case that can be granted an Award that is eligible to be registered on a Form S-8 Registration Statement.

11.14 “**Designated Beneficiary**” means the beneficiary or beneficiaries the Participant designates, in a manner the Administrator determines, to receive amounts due or exercise the Participant’s rights if the Participant dies or becomes incapacitated. Without a Participant’s effective designation, “Designated Beneficiary” will mean the Participant’s estate.

11.15 “**Director**” means a Board member.

11.16 “**Disability**” means a permanent and total disability under Section 22(e)(3) of the Code, as amended.

11.17 “**Dividend Equivalents**” means a right granted to a Participant under the Plan to receive the equivalent value (in cash or Shares) of dividends paid on Shares.

11.18 “**Employee**” means any employee of the Company or its Subsidiaries.

11.19 “**Equity Restructuring**” means a non-reciprocal transaction between the Company and its stockholders, such as a stock dividend, stock split, spin-off or recapitalization through a large, nonrecurring cash dividend that affects the number or kind of Shares (or other securities of the Company) or the share price of Common Stock (or other securities of the Company) and causes a change in the per share value of the Common Stock underlying outstanding Awards.

11.20 “**Exchange Act**” means the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

11.21 “**Fair Market Value**” means, as of any date, the value of a Share of Common Stock determined as follows: (a) if the Common Stock is listed on any established stock exchange, its Fair Market Value will be the closing sales price for such Common Stock as quoted on such exchange for such date, or if no sale occurred on such date, the last day preceding such date during which a sale occurred, as reported in *The Wall Street Journal* or another source the Administrator deems reliable; (b) if the Common Stock is not traded on a stock exchange but is quoted on a national market or other quotation system, the closing sales price on such date, or if no sales occurred on such date, then on the last date preceding such date during which a sale occurred, as reported in *The Wall Street Journal* or another source the Administrator deems reliable; or (c) in the absence of an established market for the Common Stock, the Administrator may determine the Fair Market Value in its discretion. Notwithstanding the foregoing, with respect to any Award granted on the Pricing Date, the Fair Market Value shall mean the initial public offering price of a Share as set forth in the Company’s final prospectus relating to its initial public offering filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

11.22 “**Good Reason**” means (a) if a Participant is a party to a Relevant Agreement, “Good Reason” as defined in the Relevant Agreement, and (b) if no Relevant Agreement exists, (i) a material diminution in the Participant’s level of base compensation, except in connection with a general reduction in the base compensation of the Company’s personnel with similar status and responsibilities or (ii) a relocation of the Participant’s place of employment by more than fifty (50) miles, provided that such change, reduction or relocation is effected by the Company (or its subsidiary employing the Participant) without the Participant’s consent. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Good Reason shall only exist if Participant shall have provided the Company with written notice within sixty (60) days of the initial occurrence of any of the foregoing events or conditions, and the Company or any successor or affiliate fails to eliminate the conditions constituting Good Reason within thirty (30) days after receipt of written notice of such event or condition from Participant. Participant’s resignation from employment with the Company for “Good Reason” must occur within six (6) months following the initial occurrence of one of the foregoing events or conditions.

11.23 “**Greater Than 10% Stockholder**” means an individual then owning (within the meaning of Section 424(d) of the Code) more than 10% of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock of the Company or its parent or subsidiary corporation, as defined in Section 424(e) and (f) of the Code, respectively.

11.24 “**Incentive Stock Option**” means an Option intended to qualify as an “incentive stock option” as defined in Section 422 of the Code.

11.25 “**Non-Qualified Stock Option**” means an Option, or portion thereof, not intended or not qualifying as an Incentive Stock Option.

11.26 “**Option**” means an option to purchase Shares, which will either be an Incentive Stock Option or a Non-Qualified Stock Option.

11.27 “**Other Stock or Cash Based Awards**” means cash awards, awards of Shares, and other awards valued wholly or partially by referring to, or are otherwise based on, Shares or other property awarded to a Participant under Article VII.

11.28 “**Overall Share Limit**” means the sum of (i) the number of Shares equal to 10% of the aggregate number of Pricing Date Fully-Diluted Shares; (ii) any shares of Common Stock which are available for issuance under the 2022 Plan as of the Pricing Date; (iii) any shares of Common Stock which are subject to Prior Plan Awards which become available for issuance under the Plan pursuant to Article IV; and (iv) an annual increase on the first day of each calendar year beginning January 1, 2025 and ending on and including January 1, 2034, equal to the lesser of (A) 5% of the aggregate number of shares of Common Stock outstanding on the final day of the immediately preceding calendar year and (B) such smaller number of Shares as is determined by the Administrator.

11.29 “**Participant**” means a Service Provider who has been granted an Award.

11.30 “**Performance Criteria**” mean the criteria (and adjustments) that the Administrator may select for an Award to establish performance goals for a performance period, which may include the following: net earnings or losses (either before or after one or more of interest, taxes, depreciation, amortization, and non-cash equity-based compensation expense); gross or net sales or revenue or sales or revenue growth; net income (either before or after taxes) or adjusted net income; profits (including but not limited to gross profits, net profits, profit growth, net operation profit or economic profit), profit return ratios or operating margin; budget or operating earnings (either before or after taxes or before or after allocation of corporate overhead and bonus); cash flow (including operating cash flow and free cash flow or cash flow return on capital); return on assets; return on capital or invested capital; cost of capital; return on stockholders’ equity; total stockholder return; return on sales; costs, reductions in costs and cost control measures; expenses; working capital; earnings or loss per share; adjusted earnings or loss per share; price per share or dividends per share (or appreciation in or maintenance of such price or dividends); regulatory achievements or compliance; implementation, completion or attainment of objectives relating to research, development, regulatory, commercial, or strategic milestones or developments; market share; economic value or economic value added models; division, group or corporate financial goals; customer satisfaction/growth; customer service; employee satisfaction; recruitment and maintenance of personnel; human capital management (including diversity and inclusion); supervision of litigation and other legal matters; strategic partnerships and transactions; financial ratios (including those measuring liquidity, activity, profitability or leverage); debt levels or reductions; sales-related goals; financing and other capital raising transactions; cash on hand; acquisition activity; investment sourcing activity; and marketing initiatives, any of which may be measured in absolute terms or as compared to any incremental increase or decrease. Such performance goals also may be based solely by reference to the Company’s performance or the performance of a Subsidiary, division, business segment or business unit of the Company or a

Subsidiary, or based upon performance relative to performance of other companies or upon comparisons of any of the indicators of performance relative to performance of other companies.

11.31 “**Plan**” means this 2024 Incentive Award Plan.

11.32 “**Pricing Date**” means the date upon which the Company’s Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission relating to the registered underwritten public offering of shares of Common Stock becomes effective.

11.33 “**Pricing Date Fully-Diluted Shares**” means, as of the Pricing Date, the sum of (a) the Shares outstanding on such date (calculated on an as converted basis after giving effect to the conversion of the Company’s outstanding securities into Shares in connection with the initial public offering and after giving effect to the issuance of Shares to be sold in the initial public offering (assuming the exercise in full of the underwriters’ option to purchase additional Shares in such initial public offering)), (b) the Shares subject to compensatory equity awards (including stock options) outstanding on such date (with the number of Shares subject to performance-based compensatory equity awards calculated at the “maximum” level of performance), and (c) all Shares available for future issuance under the Plan and the Company’s 2024 Employee Stock Purchase Plan as of such date.

11.34 “**Prior Plans**” means the 2022 Plan and the CG Oncology, Inc. 2015 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended.

11.35 “**Prior Plan Award**” means an award outstanding under either of the Prior Plans as of the Pricing Date.

11.36 “**Restricted Stock**” means Shares awarded to a Participant under Article VI subject to certain vesting conditions and other restrictions.

11.37 “**Restricted Stock Unit**” means an unfunded, unsecured right to receive, on the applicable settlement date, one Share or an amount in cash or other consideration determined by the Administrator to be of equal value as of such settlement date awarded to a Participant under Article VI subject to certain vesting conditions and other restrictions.

11.38 “**Rule 16b-3**” means Rule 16b-3 promulgated under the Exchange Act.

11.39 “**Section 409A**” means Section 409A of the Code and all regulations, guidance, compliance programs and other interpretative authority thereunder.

11.40 “**Securities Act**” means the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

11.41 “**Service Provider**” means an Employee, Consultant or Director.

11.42 “**Shares**” means shares of Common Stock.

11.43 “**Stock Appreciation Right**” means a stock appreciation right granted under Article V.

11.44 “**Subsidiary**” means any entity (other than the Company), whether domestic or foreign, in an unbroken chain of entities beginning with the Company if each of the entities other than the last entity in the unbroken chain beneficially owns, at the time of the determination, securities or interests representing at least 50% of the total combined voting power of all classes of securities or interests in one of the other entities in such chain.

11.45 “**Substitute Awards**” means Awards granted or Shares issued by the Company in assumption of, or in substitution or exchange for, awards previously granted, or the right or obligation to make future awards, in each case by a company acquired by the Company or any Subsidiary or with which the Company or any Subsidiary combines.

11.46 “**Termination of Service**” means the date the Participant ceases to be a Service Provider.

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2024 INCENTIVE AWARD PLAN

STOCK OPTION GRANT NOTICE

Capitalized terms not specifically defined in this Stock Option Grant Notice (the “**Grant Notice**”) have the meanings given to them in the 2024 Incentive Award Plan (as amended from time to time, the “**Plan**”) of CG Oncology, Inc. (the “**Company**”).

The Company hereby grants to the participant listed below (“**Participant**”) the stock option described in this Grant Notice (the “**Option**”), subject to the terms and conditions of the Plan and the Stock Option Agreement attached hereto as **Exhibit A** (the “**Agreement**”), both of which are incorporated into this Grant Notice by reference.

Participant: *[Insert Participant Name]*
Grant Date: *[Insert Grant Date]*
Exercise Price per Share: *[Insert Exercise Price]*
Shares Subject to the Option: *[Insert Number of Options]*
Final Expiration Date: *[Insert Tenth Anniversary of Grant Date]*
Vesting Commencement Date: *[Insert Vesting Commencement Date]*
Vesting Schedule: *[Insert Vesting Schedule]*

In addition, in the event Participant experiences a Termination of Service as a result of (a) Participant’s termination by the Company other than for Cause (and excluding a Termination of Service as a result of Participant’s death or Disability), or (b) Participant’s resignation for Good Reason, in each case within eighteen (18) months following a Change in Control, then any remaining unvested portion of the Option shall become fully vested and exercisable on the date of such Termination of Service.

Type of Option (select one): Incentive Stock Option (ISO)
 Non-Qualified Stock Option (NSO)

If the Company uses an electronic capitalization table system (such as E*Trade, Shareworks or Carta) and the fields in this Grant Notice are blank or the information is otherwise provided in a different format electronically, the blank fields and other information will be deemed to come from the electronic capitalization system and is considered part of this Grant Notice.

By accepting (whether in writing, electronically or otherwise, including an acceptance through an electronic capitalization table system used by the Company) the Option, Participant agrees to be bound by the terms of this Grant Notice, the Plan and the Agreement. Participant has reviewed the Plan, this Grant Notice and the Agreement in their entirety, has received a copy of the prospectus for the Plan, has had an opportunity to obtain the advice of counsel prior to executing this Grant Notice and fully understands all provisions of the Plan, this Grant Notice and the Agreement. Participant hereby agrees to accept as binding.

conclusive and final all decisions or interpretations of the Administrator upon any questions arising under the Plan, this Grant Notice or the Agreement.

Internet Availability of Plan Materials. The Company will furnish Plan materials (including the Plan, prospectus, annual report on Form 10-K and proxy statement and other information provided to the Company's stockholders) relating to the Plan to Participant electronically, instead of mailing printed copies of these materials to each person eligible to participate in the plans. This process is designed to expedite Participant's receipt of the plan materials, reduce the costs of printing and distributing these materials, and help conserve natural resources. These materials are available through the Company's electronic capitalization table system (such as E*Trade, Shareworks or Carta) and the annual report on Form 10-K and proxy statement and other information provided to our stockholders is also available on the Company's website at <https://cgoncology.com/>. The Plan is available at [insert location]. However, if Participant would prefer to receive printed copies of the Plan materials or information provided to the Company's stockholders without charge, please contact: CG Oncology, Inc., Attn: Secretary, 400 Spectrum Center Drive, Suite 2040, Irvine, CA 92618, Telephone: (949) 409-3700, Email: information@cgoncology.com.

CG ONCOLOGY, INC.

PARTICIPANT

By: _____
Print Name: _____
Title: _____

By: _____
Print Name: _____

**EXHIBIT A
STOCK OPTION AGREEMENT**

Capitalized terms not specifically defined in this Agreement have the meanings specified in the Grant Notice or, if not defined in the Grant Notice, in the Plan.

**ARTICLE I.
GENERAL**

1.1 Grant of Option. The Company has granted to Participant the Option effective as of the grant date set forth in the Grant Notice (the “*Grant Date*”).

1.2 Incorporation of Terms of Plan. The Option is subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement and the Plan, which is incorporated herein by reference. In the event of any inconsistency between the Plan and this Agreement, the terms of the Plan will control.

**ARTICLE II.
PERIOD OF EXERCISABILITY**

2.1 Commencement of Exercisability. The Option will vest and become exercisable according to the vesting schedule in the Grant Notice (the “*Vesting Schedule*”), except that any fraction of a Share as to which the Option would be vested or exercisable will be accumulated and will vest and become exercisable only when a whole Share has accumulated. The Option will not be exercisable with respect to fractional Shares. Notwithstanding anything in the Grant Notice, the Plan or this Agreement to the contrary, the Option will immediately expire and be forfeited as to any portion that is not vested and exercisable as of Participant’s Termination of Service for any reason, except as may be otherwise provided by the Administrator or as set forth in another written agreement between the Company or any Subsidiary and Participant.

2.2 Duration of Exercisability. The Vesting Schedule is cumulative. Any portion of the Option which vests and becomes exercisable will remain vested and exercisable until the Option expires. The Option will be forfeited immediately upon its expiration.

2.3 Expiration of Option. Subject to Section 5.3 of the Plan, the Option may not be exercised to any extent by anyone after, and will expire on, the first of the following to occur:

- (a) The final expiration date in the Grant Notice, which will in no event be more than ten (10) years from the Grant Date;
- (b) If this Option is designated as an Incentive Stock Option and Participant, at the time the Option was granted, was a Greater Than 10% Stockholder, the expiration of five (5) years from the Grant Date;
- (c) Except as the Administrator may otherwise approve, the expiration of three (3) months from the date of Participant’s Termination of Service, unless Participant’s Termination of Service is for Cause or by reason of Participant’s death or Disability;
- (d) Except as the Administrator may otherwise approve, the expiration of one (1) year from the date of Participant’s Termination of Service by reason of Participant’s death or Disability;

(e) Except as the Administrator may otherwise approve, the date of Participant's Termination of Service for Cause; and

(f) Except as otherwise provided in clauses (c) or (d) above, with respect to any unvested portion of the Option, the date that is thirty (30) days following Participant's Termination of Service by reason of Participant's death or Disability, or such shorter period as may be determined by the Administrator.

ARTICLE III. EXERCISE OF OPTION

3.1 Person Eligible to Exercise. During Participant's lifetime, only Participant may exercise the Option, unless it has been disposed of, with the consent of the Administrator, pursuant to a domestic relations order. After Participant's death, any exercisable portion of the Option may, prior to the time when the Option becomes unexercisable under Section 2.3 hereof, be exercised by Participant's Designated Beneficiary or by any person empowered to do so under the deceased Participant's will or under the then applicable laws of descent and distribution.

3.2 Manner of Exercise. The Option, or any exercisable portion thereof, may be exercised solely by delivery to the Secretary of the Company or the Secretary's office, or such other place as may be determined by the Administrator, of all of the following prior to the time when the Option or such portion thereof becomes unexercisable under Section 2.3, except that the Option may only be exercised for whole Shares:

(a) An exercise notice in such form as is prescribed by the Administrator, which may be an electronic form (the "*Exercise Notice*"); and

(b) Subject to Section 5.5 of the Plan, full payment for the Shares with respect to which the Option or portion thereof is exercised, which payment may be made by Participant, by:

(i) Cash, wire transfer of immediately available funds or check, payable to the order of the Company; or

(ii) With the consent of the Administrator, surrender to or withholding by the Company of a net number of vested Shares issuable upon the exercise of the Option valued at their fair market value; or

(iii) With the consent of the Administrator, delivery (either by actual delivery or attestation) of Shares owned by Participant valued at their fair market value; or

(iv) If there is a public market for the Shares at the time of exercise, unless the Company or the Administrator otherwise determines, through the (A) delivery (including electronically or telephonically to the extent permitted by the Company) of an irrevocable and unconditional undertaking by a broker acceptable to the Company to deliver promptly to the Company sufficient funds to pay the exercise price, or (B) delivery by Participant to the Company of a copy of irrevocable and unconditional instructions to a broker acceptable to the Company to deliver promptly to the Company cash or a check sufficient to pay the exercise price, provided in either case, that such amount is paid to the Company at such time as may be required by the Administrator; or

(v) With the consent of the Administrator, any other form of payment permitted under Section 5.5 of the Plan; or

(vi) Any combination of the above permitted forms of payment; and

(c) Subject to Section 9.5 of the Plan, full payment for any applicable Tax Withholding Obligation (as defined below) as provided in Section 3.3 below; and

(d) In the event the Option or portion thereof will be exercised pursuant to Section 3.1 by any person or persons other than Participant, appropriate proof of the right of such person or persons to exercise the Option.

3.3 Taxes; Tax Withholding.

(a) Regardless of any action the Company, any Subsidiary or Participant's employing company, if different (the "**Employer**," and, collectively, the "**Company Group**") takes with respect to any or all Tax Obligations (as defined below), Participant understands that Participant (and not the Company) shall be responsible for any Tax Obligations, which may exceed the amount actually withheld by the Company Group. Participant agrees to indemnify and keep indemnified the Company Group from and against any such Tax Obligations.

(b) The Company Group shall not be obligated to deliver any certificate representing Shares issuable with respect to the Option to Participant or his or her legal representative unless and until Participant or his or her legal representative will have paid or otherwise satisfied in full the amount of all Tax Obligations resulting from the grant, vesting, exercise or settlement of the Option, the distribution of the Shares issuable with respect thereto, or any other taxable event related to the Option. The Company Group will have the authority and the right to deduct or withhold, or require Participant to remit to the Company, an amount sufficient to satisfy any Tax Obligation, including, without limitation, the authority to deduct such amounts from other compensation payable to Participant by the Company Group. Participant acknowledges that if Participant is subject to Tax Obligations in more than one jurisdiction, the Company Group may be required to withhold or account for Tax Obligations in more than one jurisdiction. Participant agrees to pay the Company Group any Tax Obligations that cannot be satisfied by the means described in this Section 3.3 or Section 9.5 of the Plan.

(c) Unless Participant elects to satisfy the Tax Obligation by some other means in accordance with Section 9.5 of the Plan, the Company Group will have the right, but not the obligation, with respect to the Tax Obligation arising as a result of the grant, vesting, exercise or settlement of the Option, to treat Participant's failure to provide timely payment in accordance with Section 9.5 of the Plan as Participant's election to satisfy the Tax Obligation by requesting the Company Group to withhold a net number of vested Shares otherwise issuable pursuant to the Option having a then-current fair market value not exceeding the amount necessary to satisfy the Tax Obligation in accordance with Section 9.5 of the Plan (provided that if Participant is subject to Section 16 of the Exchange Act, any such action by the Company will require the approval of the Administrator).

(d) Subject to the limitations set forth in Section 9.5 of the Plan, the Company Group may withhold or account for Tax Obligations by considering applicable statutory withholding rates (or such other rate as may be determined by the Company after considering any accounting consequences or costs) (but in no event in excess of such rate as may be required to avoid the liability classification of the Option under generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America). In the event of over-withholding, Participant may receive a refund of any over-withheld amount in cash and (with no entitlement to the equivalent in Shares) or if not refunded, Participant may seek a refund from the local tax authorities.

In the event of under-withholding, Participant may be required to pay any additional Tax Obligations directly to the applicable tax authority or to the Company Group.

(e) Neither the Company nor any Subsidiary makes any representation or undertaking regarding the tax treatment to Participant in connection with the awarding, vesting or exercise of the Option or the subsequent sale of Shares. Although the Company Group may endeavor to (i) qualify Options for favorable tax treatment under the laws of the United States or jurisdictions outside of the United States or (ii) avoid adverse tax treatment (e.g., under Section 409A of the Code), the Company Group makes no representation to that effect and expressly disavows any covenant to maintain favorable or avoid unfavorable tax treatment, anything to the contrary in the Plan or this Agreement. Participant represents to the Company that Participant has reviewed with Participant's own tax advisors the tax consequences of this Award and the transactions contemplated by the Grant Notice and this Agreement. Participant is relying solely on such advisors and not on any statements or representations of the Company and/or any of its agents.

(f) For purposes of this Agreement, "**Tax Obligations**" shall mean (i) all federal, state, local and foreign withholding or other taxes applicable to Participant's taxable income, plus (ii) if permitted under the laws of the jurisdiction in which Participant resides, any liability of the Company Group for income tax, withholding tax, wage tax, solidarity surcharge, and any other employment related taxes or social security contributions in any jurisdiction, in each case resulting from the grant, vesting or exercise of the Option, the acquisition of Shares by Participant, the disposal of any Shares, or otherwise pursuant to this Agreement, or any other taxable event related to the Option.

ARTICLE IV. OTHER PROVISIONS

4.1 Award Not Transferable; Other Restrictions. Without limiting the generality of any other provision hereof, the Award will be subject to the restrictions on transferability set forth in Section 9.1 of the Plan. Without limiting the generality of any other provision hereof, Participant hereby expressly acknowledges that Section 10.8 ("*Lock-Up Period*") of the Plan is expressly incorporated into this Agreement and is applicable to the Shares issued pursuant to this Agreement.

4.2 Clawback Provisions. By executing this Agreement and accepting this Award, Participant agrees that all compensation received by Participant, including Awards under the Plan (including, without limitation, any proceeds, gains or other economic benefit actually or constructively received by Participant upon receipt or exercise of this Award or upon the receipt or resale of any Shares underlying this Award), shall be subject to reduction, cancellation, forfeiture and/or recoupment to the extent necessary to comply with the Recovery Arrangements and Section 10.13 of the Plan, notwithstanding any other agreement to the contrary. Participant agrees that Participant is not entitled to indemnification in connection with any enforcement of the Recovery Arrangements and expressly waives any rights to such indemnification under the Company's organizational documents or otherwise. By executing this Award Agreement, Participant agrees to take all required action in a reasonably prompt manner, as applicable, to enable the enforcement of the Recovery Arrangements and Section 10.13 of the Plan.

4.3 Adjustments. Participant acknowledges that the Option is subject to adjustment, modification and termination in certain events as provided in this Agreement and the Plan.

4.4 Notices. Any notice to be given under the terms of this Agreement to the Company must be in writing and addressed to the Company in care of the Company's Secretary at the Company's principal office or the Secretary's then-current email address or facsimile number. Any notice to be given under the terms of this Agreement to Participant must be in writing and addressed to Participant (or, if Participant is

then deceased, to the person entitled to exercise the Option) at Participant's last known mailing address, email address or facsimile number in the Company's personnel files. By a notice given pursuant to this Section, either party may designate a different address for notices to be given to that party. Any notice will be deemed duly given when actually received, when sent by email, when sent by certified mail (return receipt requested) and deposited with postage prepaid in a post office or branch post office regularly maintained by the United States Postal Service, when delivered by a nationally recognized express shipping company or upon receipt of a facsimile transmission confirmation.

4.5 Titles. Titles are provided herein for convenience only and are not to serve as a basis for interpretation or construction of this Agreement.

4.6 Conformity to Securities Laws. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Plan or this Agreement, if Participant is subject to Section 16 of the Exchange Act, the Plan, the Grant Notice, this Agreement and the Option will be subject to any additional limitations set forth in any applicable exemptive rule under Section 16 of the Exchange Act (including any amendment to Rule 16b-3) that are requirements for the application of such exemptive rule. Participant acknowledges that the Plan, the Grant Notice and this Agreement are intended to conform to the extent necessary with all Applicable Laws and, to the extent Applicable Laws permit, will be deemed amended to the extent necessary to conform to such Applicable Laws or any such exemptive rule described in the preceding sentence.

4.7 Successors and Assigns. The Company may assign any of its rights under this Agreement to single or multiple assignees, and this Agreement will inure to the benefit of the successors and assigns of the Company. Subject to the restrictions on transfer set forth in the Plan, this Agreement will be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the heirs, legatees, legal representatives, successors and assigns of the parties hereto.

4.8 Entire Agreement. The Plan, the Grant Notice and this Agreement and any appendices hereto constitute the entire agreement of the parties and supersede in their entirety all prior undertakings and agreements of the Company and Participant with respect to the subject matter hereof. This Agreement may be amended by the Company in accordance with Section 9.6 of the Plan.

4.9 Agreement Severable. In the event that any provision of the Grant Notice or this Agreement is held illegal or invalid, the provision will be severable from, and the illegality or invalidity of the provision will not be construed to have any effect on, the remaining provisions of the Grant Notice or this Agreement.

4.10 Limitation on Participant's Rights. Participation in the Plan confers no rights or interests other than as herein provided. This Agreement creates only a contractual obligation on the part of the Company as to amounts payable and may not be construed as creating a trust. Neither the Plan nor any underlying program, in and of itself, has any assets. Participant will have only the rights of a general unsecured creditor of the Company with respect to amounts credited and benefits payable, if any, with respect to the Option, and rights no greater than the right to receive the Shares as a general unsecured creditor with respect to the Option, as and when exercised pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.

4.11 Rights as a Stockholder. Neither Participant nor any person claiming under or through Participant will have any of the rights or privileges of a stockholder of the Company in respect of any Shares deliverable hereunder unless and until certificates representing such Shares (which may be in book-entry form) will have been issued and recorded on the records of the Company or its transfer agents or registrars, and delivered to Participant (including through electronic delivery to a brokerage account). Except as otherwise provided herein, after such issuance, recordation and delivery, Participant will have all the rights of a stockholder of the Company with respect to such Shares, including, without limitation, the right to receipt of dividends and distributions on such Shares.

4.12 Not a Contract of Employment. Nothing in the Plan, the Grant Notice or this Agreement confers upon Participant any right to continue in the employ or service of the Company or any Subsidiary or interferes with or restricts in any way the rights of the Company and its Subsidiaries, which rights are hereby expressly reserved, to discharge or terminate the services of Participant at any time for any reason whatsoever, with or without Cause, except to the extent expressly provided otherwise in a written agreement between the Company or a Subsidiary and Participant.

4.13 Counterparts. The Grant Notice may be executed in one or more counterparts, including by way of any electronic signature, subject to Applicable Law, each of which will be deemed an original and all of which together will constitute one instrument.

4.14 Governing Law. The provisions of the Plan and all Awards made thereunder, including the Option, shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Delaware, disregarding choice-of-law principles of the law of any state that would require the application of the laws of a jurisdiction other than such state.

4.15 Incentive Stock Options. If the Option is designated as an Incentive Stock Option, the following provisions, in addition to the terms set forth in Section 5.6 of the Plan, will apply to the Option:

(a) Participant acknowledges that to the extent the aggregate fair market value of shares (determined as of the time the option with respect to the shares is granted) with respect to which stock options intended to qualify as "incentive stock options" under Section 422 of the Code, including the Option, are exercisable for the first time by Participant during any calendar year exceeds \$100,000 or if for any other reason such stock options do not qualify or cease to qualify for treatment as "incentive stock options" under Section 422 of the Code, such stock options (including the Option) will be treated as non-qualified stock options. Participant further acknowledges that the rule set forth in the preceding sentence will be applied by taking the Option and other stock options into account in the order in which they were granted, as determined under Section 422(d) of the Code. Participant acknowledges that amendments or modifications made to the Option pursuant to the Plan that would cause the Option to become a Non-Qualified Stock Option will not materially or adversely affect Participant's rights under the Option, and that any such amendment or modification will not require Participant's consent. Participant also acknowledges that if the Option is exercised more than three (3) months after Participant's Termination of Service as an Employee, other than by reason of death or Disability, the Option will be taxed as a Non-Qualified Stock Option. If the Option is an Incentive Stock Option and Participant is a Greater Than 10% Stockholder as of the Grant Date, the term of the Option will not exceed five (5) years from the Grant Date.

(b) Participant will give prompt written notice to the Company of any disposition or other transfer of any Shares acquired under this Agreement if such disposition or other transfer is made (a) within two (2) years from the Grant Date or (b) within one (1) year after the transfer of such Shares to Participant. Such notice will specify the date of such disposition or other transfer and the amount realized, in cash, other property, assumption of indebtedness or other consideration, by Participant in such disposition or other transfer.

4.16 Electronic Delivery and Acceptance. The Company may, in its sole discretion, decide to deliver any documents related to the Option awarded under the Plan or future options that may be awarded under the Plan by electronic means or request Participant's consent to participate in the Plan by electronic means. Participant hereby consents to receive such documents by electronic delivery and agrees to participate in the Plan through any on-line or electronic system established and maintained by the Company or a third party designated by the Company.

4.17 Appendix. Notwithstanding any provisions in this Agreement, the Option shall be subject to any additional terms and conditions for Participant's country set forth in the Appendix attached hereto. Moreover, if Participant relocates to one of the countries included in the Appendix, the additional terms and conditions for such country, if any, will apply to Participant, to the extent the Company determines that the application of such terms and conditions is necessary or advisable for legal or administrative reasons. The Appendix constitutes part of this Agreement.

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**APPENDIX TO THE CG ONCOLOGY, INC.
2024 INCENTIVE AWARD PLAN
STOCK OPTION AGREEMENT**

FOR PARTICIPANTS OUTSIDE OF THE UNITED STATES

This Appendix includes additional terms and conditions applicable to Participants who provide services to the Company in the countries identified below. These terms and conditions are in addition to those set forth in the Grant Notice and Agreement and to the extent there are any inconsistencies between these terms and conditions and those set forth in the Grant Notice or the Agreement, these terms and conditions shall prevail. Any capitalized term used in this Appendix without definition shall have the meaning ascribed to such term in the Plan, the Grant Notice or the Agreement, as applicable. This Appendix forms part of the Agreement.

If Participant is a citizen or resident of a country other than the one in which Participant is currently residing and/or working, transfers employment and/or residency to another country after the Grant Date, or is considered a resident of another country for local law purposes, the Company shall, in its discretion, determine to what extent the terms and conditions contained herein shall be applicable to Participant.

For Participant's convenience and information, the Company has provided certain general information regarding some of the tax and/or exchange control requirements that may apply to Participant in certain of the countries identified below. The Company undertakes no obligation to update any such information and does not ensure that it is complete or correct. As a result, the Company strongly recommends that Participant not rely on the information in this Appendix as the only source of information relating to the consequences of Participant's participation in the Plan because the information may be out of date at the time Participant exercises the Option and acquires Shares or sells Shares acquired under the Plan. The absence of any information on tax or foreign exchange requirements for any particular country should not be regarded as an indication that no such requirements apply in that country. The laws, rules and regulations of any country regarding the holding of securities may be subject to frequent change.

Participant is advised to seek appropriate professional advice as to how the relevant exchange control and tax laws in Participant's country may apply to Participant's individual situation.

GLOBAL PROVISIONS

1. **Data Protection.** As a condition for receiving this Award, Participant explicitly and unambiguously consents to the collection, use and transfer, in electronic or other form, of personal data as described in this section by and among the Company Group exclusively for implementing, administering and managing Participant's participation in the Plan. The Company Group may hold certain personal information about a Participant, including Participant's name, address and telephone number; birthdate; social security, insurance number or other identification number; salary; nationality; job title(s); any Shares held in the Company Group; and Award details, to implement, manage and administer the Plan and Awards (the "**Data**"). The Company Group may transfer the Data amongst themselves as necessary to implement, administer and manage Participant's participation in the Plan, and the Company Group may transfer the Data to third parties assisting the Company with Plan implementation, administration and management. These recipients may be located in Participant's country, or elsewhere, and Participant's country may have different data privacy laws and protections than the recipients' country. By accepting an Award, Participant authorizes such recipients to receive, possess, use, retain and transfer the Data, in electronic or other form,

to implement, administer and manage Participant's participation in the Plan, including any required Data transfer to a broker or other third party with whom the Company or Participant may elect to deposit any Shares. The Data related to Participant will be held only as long as necessary to implement, administer, and manage Participant's participation in the Plan. Participant may, at any time, view the Data that the Company holds regarding Participant, request additional information about the storage and processing of the Data regarding Participant, recommend any necessary corrections to the Data regarding Participant or refuse or withdraw the consents in this paragraph in writing, without cost, by contacting the local human resources representative. The Company may cancel Participant's ability to participate in the Plan and, in the Administrator's discretion, Participant may forfeit any outstanding Awards if Participant refuses or withdraws the consents in this paragraph. For more information on the consequences of refusing or withdrawing consent, Participant may contact his or her local human resources representative.

If Participant resides in the United Kingdom or the European Union, the Company Group will hold, collect and otherwise process certain Data as set out in the applicable Company's GDPR-compliant data privacy notice, which will be or has been provided to Participant separately. All personal data will be treated in accordance with applicable data protection laws and regulations.

2. Insider Trading Restrictions/Market Abuse Laws. Participant may be subject to insider trading restrictions and/or market abuse laws in applicable jurisdictions, including the United States and Participant's country, if different, which may affect Participant's ability to directly or indirectly, for himself or herself or for a third party, acquire or sell, or attempt to sell, Shares during such times as such Participant is considered to have "inside information" regarding the Company (as defined by Applicable Laws) or the trade in Shares. Any restrictions under these laws or regulations may be separate and in addition to any restrictions that may be imposed under any applicable Company insider trading policy. It shall be each Participant's responsibility to comply with any applicable restrictions, and each Participant should speak with a personal advisor on this matter.

3. Foreign Asset/Account Reporting; Exchange Controls. Each country may have certain foreign asset and/or account reporting requirements and/or exchange controls which may affect Participant's ability to purchase or hold Shares or cash received in respect of the Option (including from any dividends received or sale proceeds arising from the sale of Shares) in a brokerage or bank account outside Participant's country. Participant may be required to report such accounts, assets or transactions to the tax or other authorities in Participant's country. Participant also may be required to repatriate sale proceeds or other funds received as a result of his or her participation in the Plan to Participant's country through a designated bank or broker and/or within a certain time after receipt. It shall be Participant's responsibility to be compliant with such regulations, and Participant should consult a personal legal advisor for any details.

4. Language. By participating in the Plan, Participant acknowledges that Participant is proficient in the English language, or has consulted with an advisor who is sufficiently proficient in English, so as to allow him or her to understand the terms and conditions of the Plan and the Award Agreement applicable to Participant's country of residence. If Participant has received the Award Agreement and the Plan applicably to his or her country of residence or any other document related to the Plan translated into a language other than English and if the meaning of the translated version is different than the English version, the English version will control.

5. Currency. Participant understands that, any amounts related to the Option will be denominated in U.S. dollars and will be converted to any local currency using a prevailing exchange rate in effect at the time such conversion is performed, as determined by the Company. Participant understands and agrees that neither the Company nor any affiliate shall be liable for any foreign exchange rate fluctuation between Participant's local currency and the U.S. dollar that may affect the value of the Option,

or of any amounts due to Participant or as a result of the subsequent sale of any Shares acquired under the Option.

6. Additional Restrictions. The Company reserves the right to impose other requirements on the Option and the shares of Stock purchased upon exercise of the Option, to the extent the Company determines it is necessary or advisable in order to comply with local laws or facilitate the administration of the Plan, and to require Participant to sign any additional agreements or undertakings that may be necessary to accomplish the foregoing.

7. Securities Law Notice. Unless otherwise noted, neither the Company nor the Shares are registered with any local stock exchange or under the control of any local securities regulator outside the United States. The Award Agreement (of which this Addendum is a part), the Plan, and any other communications or materials that Participant may receive regarding participation in the Plan do not constitute advertising or an offering of securities outside the United States, and the issuance of securities described in any Plan-related documents is not intended for public offering or circulation in Participant's jurisdiction.

8. No EU Prospectus. This document does not constitute a prospectus within the meaning of Regulation (EU) 2017/1129. In participating in the Plan, Participant acknowledges that no prospectus will be published for the purpose of the offering and issuance of the Options and sale of the underlying Shares and any offering of the Option or the underlying Shares is conducted by the Company in reliance on an exemption from the obligation to publish a prospectus set forth in Article 1 of the Regulation (EU) 2017/1129 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 June 2017 on the prospectus to be published when securities are offered to the public or admitted to trading on a regulated market, and repealing Directive 2003/71/EC.

9. Acknowledgment of Nature of Plan and Rights. In participating in the Plan, Participant acknowledges that:

(a) For employment and labor law purposes, the Option and any Shares issuable upon exercise of the Option are an extraordinary item that do not constitute wages of any kind for services of any kind rendered to the Company Group, and the award of rights is outside the scope of Participant's employment or service contract, if any;

(b) For employment and labor law purposes, the Option and any Shares issuable upon exercise of the Option are not part of normal or expected wages or salary for any purposes, including, but not limited to, calculation of any severance, resignation, termination, redundancy, dismissal, end of service payments or entitlements, notice of termination or indemnity, compensation or damages in lieu of such notice, bonuses, holiday pay, long-service awards, pension or retirement benefits or similar payments and in no event should be considered as compensation for, or relating in any way to, past services for the Company Group;

(c) The Option and any Shares issuable upon exercise of the Option are not intended to be an integral component of compensation or to replace any pension rights or compensation;

(d) Neither the rights nor any provision of Plan or the policies adopted pursuant to the Plan confer upon any Participant any right with respect to service or employment or continuation of current service or employment and shall not be interpreted to form a service or employment contract or relationship with the Company Group;

(e) The future value of the underlying Shares is unknown and cannot be predicted with certainty;

(f) If the underlying Shares do not increase in value, the right may have no value;

(g) If Participant exercises the Option and acquires Shares, the value of the Shares acquired upon purchase may increase or decrease in value, even below the exercise price of the Option;

(h) In consideration of the grant of the Option hereunder, no claim or entitlement to compensation or damages arises from termination of the Option, and no claim or entitlement to compensation or damages shall arise from forfeiture of the Option resulting from termination of Participant's employment by the Company Group (for any reason whatsoever, whether with or without Cause, whether with or without prior notice, and whether or not in breach of local employment or labor laws) and Participant irrevocably releases the Company Group from any such claim that may arise; if, notwithstanding the foregoing, any such claim is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to have arisen, Participant shall be deemed irrevocably to have waived Participant's entitlement to pursue such claim; and

(i) For purposes of the Option, a Termination of Service will be deemed to have occurred as of the date Participant is no longer actively providing services to the Company (regardless of the reason for such Termination of Service and whether or not later found to be invalid or in breach of employment laws in the jurisdiction where Participant is employed or otherwise rendering services, or the terms of Participant's employment or other service agreement, if any). Participant's employment or service relationship will not be extended by any notice period (e.g., Participant's period of service will not be extended by any contractual notice period or period of "garden leave" or similar period mandated under employment laws in the jurisdiction where Participant is employed or otherwise rendering services, or the terms of Participant's employment or other service agreement, if any). Unless otherwise expressly provided in the Plan or determined by the Company (a) Participant's right to vest in the Option, if any, will terminate as of the date of Termination of Service, and (b) the period (if any) during which the Option may be exercised after a Termination of Service will commence on such date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Administrator shall have exclusive discretion to determine when a Termination of Service has occurred for purposes of the Option (including when Participant is no longer considered to be actively providing services while on a leave of absence). In the event of Participant's leave of absence, vesting of the Option shall be governed by the Company's leave of absence policies, as may be amended from time to time, and in accordance with Applicable Laws.

2024 INCENTIVE AWARD PLAN

RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT GRANT NOTICE

Capitalized terms not specifically defined in this Restricted Stock Unit Grant Notice (the “**Grant Notice**”) have the meanings given to them in the 2024 Incentive Award Plan (as amended from time to time, the “**Plan**”) of CG Oncology, Inc. (the “**Company**”).

The Company hereby grants to the participant listed below (“**Participant**”) the Restricted Stock Units described in this Grant Notice (the “**RSUs**”), subject to the terms and conditions of the Plan and the Restricted Stock Unit Agreement attached hereto as **Exhibit A** (the “**Agreement**”), both of which are incorporated into this Grant Notice by reference.

Participant: *[Insert Participant Name]*
Grant Date: *[Insert Grant Date]*
Number of RSUs: *[Insert Number of RSUs]*
Vesting Commencement Date: *[Insert Vesting Commencement Date]*
Vesting Schedule: *[Insert Vesting Schedule]*

In addition, in the event Participant experiences a Termination of Service as a result of (a) Participant’s termination by the Company other than for Cause (and excluding a Termination of Service as a result of Participant’s death or Disability), or (b) Participant’s resignation for Good Reason, in each case within eighteen (18) months following a Change in Control, then any remaining unvested portion of the RSUs shall become fully vested and exercisable on the date of such Termination of Service.

If the Company uses an electronic capitalization table system (such as E*Trade, Shareworks or Carta) and the fields in this Grant Notice are blank or the information is otherwise provided in a different format electronically, the blank fields and other information will be deemed to come from the electronic capitalization system and is considered part of this Grant Notice.

By accepting (whether in writing, electronically or otherwise, including an acceptance through an electronic capitalization table system used by the Company) the RSUs, Participant agrees to be bound by the terms of this Grant Notice, the Plan and the Agreement. Participant has reviewed the Plan, this Grant Notice and the Agreement in their entirety, has received a copy of the prospectus for the Plan, has had an opportunity to obtain the advice of counsel prior to executing this Grant Notice and fully understands all provisions of the Plan, this Grant Notice and the Agreement. Participant hereby agrees to accept as binding, conclusive and final all decisions or interpretations of the Administrator upon any questions arising under the Plan, this Grant Notice or the Agreement.

Internet Availability of Plan Materials. The Company will furnish Plan materials (including the Plan, prospectus, annual report on Form 10-K and proxy statement and other information provided to the Company’s stockholders) relating to the Plan to Participant electronically, instead of mailing printed copies

of these materials to each person eligible to participate in the plans. This process is designed to expedite Participant's receipt of the plan materials, reduce the costs of printing and distributing these materials, and help conserve natural resources. These materials are available through the Company's electronic capitalization table system (such as E*Trade, Shareworks or Carta) and the annual report on Form 10-K and proxy statement and other information provided to our stockholders is also available on the Company's website at <https://cgoncology.com/>. The Plan is available at [*insert location*]. However, if Participant would prefer to receive printed copies of the Plan materials or information provided to the Company's stockholders without charge, please contact: CG Oncology, Inc., Attn: Secretary, 400 Spectrum Center Drive, Suite 2040, Irvine, CA 92618, Telephone: (949) 409-3700, Email: information@cgoncology.com.

CG ONCOLOGY, INC.

PARTICIPANT

By: _____
Print Name: _____
Title: _____

By: _____
Print Name: _____

EXHIBIT A

RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT AGREEMENT

Capitalized terms not specifically defined in this Agreement have the meanings specified in the Grant Notice or, if not defined in the Grant Notice, in the Plan.

ARTICLE I.
GENERAL

1.1 Award of RSUs. The Company has granted the RSUs to Participant effective as of the grant date set forth in the Grant Notice (the “*Grant Date*”). Each RSU represents the right to receive one Share, as set forth in this Agreement. Participant will have no right to the distribution of any Shares until the time (if ever) the RSUs have vested.

1.2 Incorporation of Terms of Plan. The RSUs are subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement and the Plan, which is incorporated herein by reference. In the event of any inconsistency between the Plan and this Agreement, the terms of the Plan will control.

1.3 Unsecured Promise. The RSUs will at all times prior to settlement represent an unsecured Company obligation payable only from the Company’s general assets.

ARTICLE II.
VESTING; FORFEITURE AND SETTLEMENT

2.1 Vesting; Forfeiture. The RSUs will vest according to the vesting schedule in the Grant Notice (the “*Vesting Schedule*”), except that any fraction of an RSU that would otherwise be vested will be accumulated and will vest only when a whole RSU has accumulated. Except as provided in the Grant Notice, in the event of Participant’s Termination of Service for any reason, all unvested RSUs will immediately and automatically be cancelled and forfeited, except as otherwise determined by the Administrator or provided in a binding written agreement between Participant and the Company. Unless and until the RSUs have vested in accordance with the Vesting Schedule set forth in the Grant Notice, Participant will have no right to any distribution with respect to such RSUs.

2.2 Settlement.

(a) RSUs will be paid in Shares as soon as administratively practicable after the vesting of the applicable RSU, but in no event more than sixty (60) days after the applicable vesting date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company may delay any payment under this Agreement that the Company reasonably determines would violate Applicable Law until the earliest date the Company reasonably determines the making of the payment will not cause such a violation (in accordance with Treasury Regulation Section 1.409A-2(b)(7)(ii)), provided the Company reasonably believes the delay will not result in the imposition of excise taxes under Section 409A.

(b) All distributions shall be made by the Company in the form of whole shares of Common Stock.

(c) Neither the time nor form of distribution of Shares with respect to the RSUs may be changed, except as may be permitted by the Administrator in accordance with the Plan and Section 409A of the Code and the Treasury Regulations thereunder.

ARTICLE III.
TAXATION AND TAX WITHHOLDING

3.1 Tax Withholding.

(a) Regardless of any action the Company, any Subsidiary or Participant's employing company, if different (the "**Employer**," and, collectively, the "**Company Group**") takes with respect to any or all Tax Obligations (as defined below), Participant understands that Participant (and not the Company) shall be responsible for any Tax Obligations, which may exceed the amount actually withheld by the Company Group. Participant agrees to indemnify and keep indemnified the Company Group from and against any such Tax Obligations.

(b) The Company Group shall not be obligated to deliver any certificate representing Shares issuable with respect to the RSUs to Participant or his or her legal representative unless and until Participant or his or her legal representative will have paid or otherwise satisfied in full the amount of all Tax Obligations resulting from the grant, vesting, or settlement of the RSUs, the distribution of the Shares issuable with respect thereto, or any other taxable event related to the RSUs. The Company Group will have the authority and the right to deduct or withhold, or require Participant to remit to the Company, an amount sufficient to satisfy any Tax Obligation, including, without limitation, the authority to deduct such amounts from other compensation payable to Participant by the Company Group. Participant acknowledges that if Participant is subject to Tax Obligations in more than one jurisdiction, the Company Group may be required to withhold or account for Tax Obligations in more than one jurisdiction. Participant agrees to pay the Company Group any Tax Obligations that cannot be satisfied by the means described in this Section 3.1 or Section 9.5 of the Plan.

(c) Unless Participant elects to satisfy the Tax Obligation by some other means in accordance with Section 9.5 of the Plan, the Company Group will have the right, but not the obligation, with respect to the Tax Obligation arising as a result of the grant, vesting, or settlement of the RSUs, to treat Participant's failure to provide timely payment in accordance with Section 9.5 of the Plan as Participant's election to satisfy the Tax Obligation by requesting the Company Group to withhold a net number of vested Shares otherwise issuable pursuant to the RSUs having a then-current fair market value not exceeding the amount necessary to satisfy the Tax Obligation in accordance with Section 9.5 of the Plan (provided that if Participant is subject to Section 16 of the Exchange Act, any such action by the Company will require the approval of the Administrator).

(d) Subject to the limitations set forth in Section 9.5 of the Plan, the Company Group may withhold or account for Tax Obligations by considering applicable statutory withholding rates (or such other rate as may be determined by the Company after considering any accounting consequences or costs) (but in no event in excess of such rate as may be required to avoid the liability classification of the RSUs under generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America). In the event of over-withholding, Participant may receive a refund of any over-withheld amount in cash and (with no entitlement to the equivalent in Shares) or if not refunded, Participant may seek a refund from the local tax authorities. In the event of under-withholding, Participant may be required to pay any additional Tax Obligations directly to the applicable tax authority or to the Company Group.

(e) Neither the Company nor any Subsidiary makes any representation or undertaking regarding the tax treatment to Participant in connection with the awarding, vesting or settlement of the RSUs or the subsequent sale of Shares. The Company and its Subsidiaries do not commit and are under no obligation to structure the RSUs to reduce or eliminate Participant's tax liability.

(d) Participant represents to the Company that Participant has reviewed with Participant's own tax advisors the tax consequences of this Award and the transactions contemplated by the Grant Notice and this Agreement. Participant is relying solely on such advisors and not on any statements or representations of the Company and/or any of its agents.

(e) For purposes of this Agreement, "**Tax Obligations**" shall mean (i) all federal, state, local and foreign withholding or other taxes applicable to Participant's taxable income, plus (ii) if permitted under the laws of the jurisdiction in which Participant resides, any liability of the Company Group for income tax, withholding tax, wage tax, solidarity surcharge, and any other employment related taxes or social security contributions in any jurisdiction, in each case resulting from the grant, vesting or settlement of the RSUs, the acquisition of Shares by Participant, the disposal of any Shares, or otherwise pursuant to this Agreement, or any other taxable event related to the RSUs.

ARTICLE IV. OTHER PROVISIONS

4.1 Award Not Transferable; Other Restrictions. Without limiting the generality of any other provision hereof, the Award will be subject to the restrictions on transferability set forth in Section 9.1 of the Plan. Without limiting the generality of any other provision hereof, Participant hereby expressly acknowledges that Section 10.8 ("**Lock-Up Period**") of the Plan is expressly incorporated into this Agreement and is applicable to the Shares issued pursuant to this Agreement.

4.2 Clawback Provisions. By executing this Agreement and accepting this Award, Participant agrees that all compensation received by Participant, including Awards under the Plan (including, without limitation, any proceeds, gains or other economic benefit actually or constructively received by Participant upon receipt of this Award or upon the receipt or resale of any Shares underlying this Award), shall be subject to reduction, cancellation, forfeiture and/or recoupment to the extent necessary to comply with the Recovery Arrangements and Section 10.13 of the Plan, notwithstanding any other agreement to the contrary. Participant agrees that Participant is not entitled to indemnification in connection with any enforcement of the Recovery Arrangements and expressly waives any rights to such indemnification under the Company's organizational documents or otherwise. By executing this Award Agreement, Participant agrees to take all required action in a reasonably prompt manner, as applicable, to enable the enforcement of the Recovery Arrangements and Section 10.13 of the Plan.

4.3 Adjustments. Participant acknowledges that the RSUs and the Shares subject to the RSUs are subject to adjustment, modification and termination in certain events as provided in this Agreement and the Plan.

4.4 Notices. Any notice to be given under the terms of this Agreement to the Company must be in writing and addressed to the Company in care of the Company's Secretary at the Company's principal office or the Secretary's then-current email address or facsimile number. Any notice to be given under the terms of this Agreement to Participant must be in writing and addressed to Participant at Participant's last known mailing address, email address or facsimile number in the Company's personnel files. By a notice given pursuant to this Section, either party may designate a different address for notices to be given to that party. Any notice will be deemed duly given when actually received, when sent by email, when sent by certified mail (return receipt requested) and deposited with postage prepaid in a post office or branch post office regularly maintained by the United States Postal Service, when delivered by a nationally recognized express shipping company or upon receipt of a facsimile transmission confirmation.

4.5 Titles. Titles are provided herein for convenience only and are not to serve as a basis for interpretation or construction of this Agreement.

4.6 Conformity to Securities Laws. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Plan or this Agreement, if Participant is subject to Section 16 of the Exchange Act, the Plan, the Grant Notice, this Agreement and the RSUs will be subject to any additional limitations set forth in any applicable exemptive rule under Section 16 of the Exchange Act (including any amendment to Rule 16b-3) that are requirements for the application of such exemptive rule. Participant acknowledges that the Plan, the Grant Notice and this Agreement are intended to conform to the extent necessary with all Applicable Laws and, to the extent Applicable Laws permit, will be deemed amended to the extent necessary to conform to such Applicable Laws or any such exemptive rule described in the preceding sentence.

4.7 Successors and Assigns. The Company may assign any of its rights under this Agreement to single or multiple assignees, and this Agreement will inure to the benefit of the successors and assigns of the Company. Subject to the restrictions on transfer set forth in the Plan, this Agreement will be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the heirs, legatees, legal representatives, successors and assigns of the parties hereto.

4.8 Entire Agreement. The Plan, the Grant Notice and this Agreement constitute the entire agreement of the parties and supersede in their entirety all prior undertakings and agreements of the Company and Participant with respect to the subject matter hereof. This Agreement may be amended by the Company in accordance with Section 9.6 of the Plan.

4.9 Agreement Severable. In the event that any provision of the Grant Notice or this Agreement is held illegal or invalid, the provision will be severable from, and the illegality or invalidity of the provision will not be construed to have any effect on, the remaining provisions of the Grant Notice or this Agreement.

4.10 Limitation on Participant's Rights. Participation in the Plan confers no rights or interests other than as herein provided. This Agreement creates only a contractual obligation on the part of the Company as to amounts payable and may not be construed as creating a trust. Neither the Plan nor any underlying program, in and of itself, has any assets. Participant will have only the rights of a general unsecured creditor of the Company with respect to amounts credited and benefits payable, if any, with respect to the RSUs, and rights no greater than the right to receive the Shares as a general unsecured creditor with respect to the RSUs, as and when settled pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.

4.11 Rights as a Stockholder. Neither Participant nor any person claiming under or through Participant will have any of the rights or privileges of a stockholder of the Company in respect of any Shares deliverable hereunder unless and until certificates representing such Shares (which may be in book-entry form) will have been issued and recorded on the records of the Company or its transfer agents or registrars, and delivered to Participant (including through electronic delivery to a brokerage account). Except as otherwise provided herein, after such issuance, recordation and delivery, Participant will have all the rights of a stockholder of the Company with respect to such Shares, including, without limitation, the right to receipt of dividends and distributions on such Shares.

4.12 Not a Contract of Employment. Nothing in the Plan, the Grant Notice or this Agreement confers upon Participant any right to continue in the employ or service of the Company or any Subsidiary or interferes with or restricts in any way the rights of the Company and its Subsidiaries, which rights are hereby expressly reserved, to discharge or terminate the services of Participant at any time for any reason whatsoever, with or without Cause, except to the extent expressly provided otherwise in a written agreement between the Company or a Subsidiary and Participant.

4.13 Counterparts. The Grant Notice may be executed in one or more counterparts, including by way of any electronic signature, subject to Applicable Law, each of which will be deemed an original and all of which together will constitute one instrument.

4.14 Governing Law. The provisions of the Plan and all Awards made thereunder, including the RSUs, shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Delaware, disregarding choice-of-law principles of the law of any state that would require the application of the laws of a jurisdiction other than such state.

4.15 Section 409A.

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of the Plan, this Agreement or the Grant Notice, the Plan, this Agreement and the Grant Notice shall be interpreted in accordance with, and incorporate the terms and conditions required by, Section 409A of the Code (together with any Department of Treasury regulations and other interpretive guidance issued thereunder, including without limitation any such regulations or other guidance that may be issued after the Grant Date, "*Section 409A*"). The Administrator may, in its discretion, adopt such amendments to the Plan, this Agreement or the Grant Notice or adopt other policies and procedures (including amendments, policies and procedures with retroactive effect), or take any other actions, as the Administrator determines are necessary or appropriate to comply with the requirements of Section 409A.

(b) This Agreement is not intended to provide for any deferral of compensation subject to Section 409A of the Code, and, accordingly, the Shares issuable pursuant to the RSUs hereunder shall be distributed to Participant no later than the later of: (A) the fifteenth (15th) day of the third month following Participant's first taxable year in which such RSUs are no longer subject to a substantial risk of forfeiture, and (B) the fifteenth (15th) day of the third month following first taxable year of the Company in which such RSUs are no longer subject to substantial risk of forfeiture, as determined in accordance with Section 409A and any Treasury Regulations and other guidance issued thereunder.

4.16 Electronic Delivery and Acceptance. The Company may, in its sole discretion, decide to deliver any documents related to the RSUs awarded under the Plan or future awards that may be awarded under the Plan by electronic means or request Participant's consent to participate in the Plan by electronic means. Participant hereby consents to receive such documents by electronic delivery and agrees to participate in the Plan through any on-line or electronic system established and maintained by the Company or a third party designated by the Company.

4.17 Appendix. Notwithstanding any provisions in this Agreement, the RSUs shall be subject to any additional terms and conditions for Participant's country set forth in the Appendix attached hereto. Moreover, if Participant relocates to one of the countries included in the Appendix, the additional terms and conditions for such country, if any, will apply to Participant, to the extent the Company determines that the application of such terms and conditions is necessary or advisable for legal or administrative reasons. The Appendix constitutes part of this Agreement.

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**APPENDIX TO THE CG ONCOLOGY, INC.
2024 INCENTIVE AWARD PLAN
RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT AGREEMENT**

FOR PARTICIPANTS OUTSIDE OF THE UNITED STATES

This Appendix includes additional terms and conditions applicable to Participants who provide services to the Company in the countries identified below. These terms and conditions are in addition to those set forth in the Grant Notice and Agreement and to the extent there are any inconsistencies between these terms and conditions and those set forth in the Grant Notice or the Agreement, these terms and conditions shall prevail. Any capitalized term used in this Appendix without definition shall have the meaning ascribed to such term in the Plan, the Grant Notice or the Agreement, as applicable. This Appendix forms part of the Agreement.

If Participant is a citizen or resident of a country other than the one in which Participant is currently residing and/or working, transfers employment and/or residency to another country after the Grant Date, or is considered a resident of another country for local law purposes, the Company shall, in its discretion, determine to what extent the terms and conditions contained herein shall be applicable to Participant.

For Participant's convenience and information, the Company has provided certain general information regarding some of the tax and/or exchange control requirements that may apply to Participant in certain of the countries identified below. The Company undertakes no obligation to update any such information and does not ensure that it is complete or correct. As a result, the Company strongly recommends that Participant not rely on the information in this Appendix as the only source of information relating to the consequences of Participant's participation in the Plan because the information may be out of date at the time the RSUs vest and are settled and Participant acquires Shares or sells Shares acquired under the Plan. The absence of any information on tax or foreign exchange requirements for any particular country should not be regarded as an indication that no such requirements apply in that country. The laws, rules and regulations of any country regarding the holding of securities may be subject to frequent change.

Participant is advised to seek appropriate professional advice as to how the relevant exchange control and tax laws in Participant's country may apply to Participant's individual situation.

GLOBAL PROVISIONS

1. **Data Protection.** As a condition for receiving this Award, Participant explicitly and unambiguously consents to the collection, use and transfer, in electronic or other form, of personal data as described in this section by and among the Company Group exclusively for implementing, administering and managing Participant's participation in the Plan. The Company Group may hold certain personal information about a Participant, including Participant's name, address and telephone number; birthdate; social security, insurance number or other identification number; salary; nationality; job title(s); any Shares held in the Company Group; and Award details, to implement, manage and administer the Plan and Awards (the "**Data**"). The Company Group may transfer the Data amongst themselves as necessary to implement, administer and manage Participant's participation in the Plan, and the Company Group may transfer the Data to third parties assisting the Company with Plan implementation, administration and management. These recipients may be located in Participant's country, or elsewhere, and Participant's country may have different data privacy laws and protections than the recipients' country. By accepting an Award, Participant authorizes such recipients to receive, possess, use, retain and transfer the Data, in electronic or other form,

to implement, administer and manage Participant's participation in the Plan, including any required Data transfer to a broker or other third party with whom the Company or Participant may elect to deposit any Shares. The Data related to Participant will be held only as long as necessary to implement, administer, and manage Participant's participation in the Plan. Participant may, at any time, view the Data that the Company holds regarding Participant, request additional information about the storage and processing of the Data regarding Participant, recommend any necessary corrections to the Data regarding Participant or refuse or withdraw the consents in this paragraph in writing, without cost, by contacting the local human resources representative. The Company may cancel Participant's ability to participate in the Plan and, in the Administrator's discretion, Participant may forfeit any outstanding Awards if Participant refuses or withdraws the consents in this paragraph. For more information on the consequences of refusing or withdrawing consent, Participant may contact his or her local human resources representative.

If Participant resides in the United Kingdom or the European Union, the Company Group will hold, collect and otherwise process certain Data as set out in the applicable Company's GDPR-compliant data privacy notice, which will be or has been provided to Participant separately. All personal data will be treated in accordance with applicable data protection laws and regulations.

2. Insider Trading Restrictions/Market Abuse Laws. Participant may be subject to insider trading restrictions and/or market abuse laws in applicable jurisdictions, including the United States and Participant's country, if different, which may affect Participant's ability to directly or indirectly, for himself or herself or for a third party, acquire or sell, or attempt to sell, Shares during such times as such Participant is considered to have "inside information" regarding the Company (as defined by Applicable Laws) or the trade in Shares. Any restrictions under these laws or regulations may be separate and in addition to any restrictions that may be imposed under any applicable Company insider trading policy. It shall be each Participant's responsibility to comply with any applicable restrictions, and each Participant should speak with a personal advisor on this matter.

3. Foreign Asset/Account Reporting; Exchange Controls. Each country may have certain foreign asset and/or account reporting requirements and/or exchange controls which may affect Participant's ability to purchase or hold Shares or cash received in respect of the RSUs (including from any dividends received or sale proceeds arising from the sale of Shares) in a brokerage or bank account outside Participant's country. Participant may be required to report such accounts, assets or transactions to the tax or other authorities in Participant's country. Participant also may be required to repatriate sale proceeds or other funds received as a result of his or her participation in the Plan to Participant's country through a designated bank or broker and/or within a certain time after receipt. It shall be Participant's responsibility to be compliant with such regulations, and Participant should consult a personal legal advisor for any details.

4. Language. By participating in the Plan, Participant acknowledges that Participant is proficient in the English language, or has consulted with an advisor who is sufficiently proficient in English, so as to allow him or her to understand the terms and conditions of the Plan and the Award Agreement applicable to Participant's country of residence. If Participant has received the Award Agreement and the Plan applicably to his or her country of residence or any other document related to the Plan translated into a language other than English and if the meaning of the translated version is different than the English version, the English version will control.

5. Currency. Participant understands that, any amounts related to the RSUs will be denominated in U.S. dollars and will be converted to any local currency using a prevailing exchange rate in effect at the time such conversion is performed, as determined by the Company. Participant understands and agrees that neither the Company nor any affiliate shall be liable for any foreign exchange rate fluctuation between Participant's local currency and the U.S. dollar that may affect the value of the RSUs,

or of any amounts due to Participant or as a result of the subsequent sale of any Shares issuable upon settlement of the Award.

6. Additional Restrictions. The Company reserves the right to impose other requirements on the RSUs and the shares of Stock issuable upon settlement of the Award, to the extent the Company determines it is necessary or advisable in order to comply with local laws or facilitate the administration of the Plan, and to require Participant to sign any additional agreements or undertakings that may be necessary to accomplish the foregoing.

7. Securities Law Notice. Unless otherwise noted, neither the Company nor the Shares are registered with any local stock exchange or under the control of any local securities regulator outside the United States. The Award Agreement (of which this Addendum is a part), the Plan, and any other communications or materials that Participant may receive regarding participation in the Plan do not constitute advertising or an offering of securities outside the United States, and the issuance of securities described in any Plan-related documents is not intended for public offering or circulation in Participant's jurisdiction.

8. No EU Prospectus. This document does not constitute a prospectus within the meaning of Regulation (EU) 2017/1129. In participating in the Plan, Participant acknowledges that no prospectus will be published for the purpose of the offering, issuance and sale of the underlying Shares and any offering of the Shares is conducted by the Company in reliance on an exemption from the obligation to publish a prospectus set forth in Article 1 of the Regulation (EU) 2017/1129 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 June 2017 on the prospectus to be published when securities are offered to the public or admitted to trading on a regulated market, and repealing Directive 2003/71/EC.

9. Acknowledgment of Nature of Plan and Rights. In participating in the Plan, Participant acknowledges that:

(a) For employment and labor law purposes, the RSUs and any Shares issuable upon settlement of the RSUs are an extraordinary item that do not constitute wages of any kind for services of any kind rendered to the Company Group, and the award of rights is outside the scope of Participant's employment or service contract, if any;

(b) For employment and labor law purposes, the RSUs and any Shares issuable upon settlement of the RSUs are not part of normal or expected wages or salary for any purposes, including, but not limited to, calculation of any severance, resignation, termination, redundancy, dismissal, end of service payments or entitlements, notice of termination or indemnity, compensation or damages in lieu of such notice, bonuses, holiday pay, long-service awards, pension or retirement benefits or similar payments and in no event should be considered as compensation for, or relating in any way to, past services for the Company Group;

(c) The RSUs and any Shares issuable upon settlement of the RSUs are not intended to be an integral component of compensation or to replace any pension rights or compensation;

(d) Neither the rights nor any provision of Plan or the policies adopted pursuant to the Plan confer upon any Participant any right with respect to service or employment or continuation of current service or employment and shall not be interpreted to form a service or employment contract or relationship with the Company Group;

(e) The future value of the underlying Shares is unknown and cannot be predicted with certainty;

(f) If the underlying Shares do not increase in value, the right may have no value;

(g) If the RSUs vest and settle and Participant acquires Shares, the value of the Shares acquired upon settlement may increase or decrease in value;

(h) In consideration of the grant of the RSUs hereunder, no claim or entitlement to compensation or damages arises from termination of the RSUs, and no claim or entitlement to compensation or damages shall arise from forfeiture of the RSUs resulting from termination of Participant's employment by the Company Group (for any reason whatsoever, whether with or without Cause, whether with or without prior notice, and whether or not in breach of local employment or labor laws) and Participant irrevocably releases the Company Group from any such claim that may arise; if, notwithstanding the foregoing, any such claim is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to have arisen, Participant shall be deemed irrevocably to have waived Participant's entitlement to pursue such claim; and

(i) For purposes of the RSUs, a Termination of Service will be deemed to have occurred as of the date Participant is no longer actively providing services to the Company (regardless of the reason for such Termination of Service and whether or not later found to be invalid or in breach of employment laws in the jurisdiction where Participant is employed or otherwise rendering services, or the terms of Participant's employment or other service agreement, if any). Participant's employment or service relationship will not be extended by any notice period (e.g., Participant's period of service will not be extended by any contractual notice period or period of "garden leave" or similar period mandated under employment laws in the jurisdiction where Participant is employed or otherwise rendering services, or the terms of Participant's employment or other service agreement, if any). Unless otherwise expressly provided in the Plan or determined by the Company, Participant's right to vest in the RSUs, if any, will terminate as of the date of Termination of Service. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Administrator shall have exclusive discretion to determine when a Termination of Service has occurred for purposes of the RSUs (including when Participant is no longer considered to be actively providing services while on a leave of absence). In the event of Participant's leave of absence, vesting of the RSUs shall be governed by the Company's leave of absence policies, as may be amended from time to time, and in accordance with Applicable Laws.

CG ONCOLOGY, INC.
2024 EMPLOYEE STOCK PURCHASE PLAN

ARTICLE I.
PURPOSE

The purpose of this Plan is to assist Eligible Participants of the Company and its Designated Subsidiaries in acquiring a stock ownership interest in the Company.

The Plan consists of two components: (i) the Section 423 Component and (ii) the Non-Section 423 Component. The Section 423 Component is intended to qualify as an “employee stock purchase plan” under Section 423 of the Code and shall be administered, interpreted, and construed in a manner consistent with the requirements of Section 423 of the Code. The Non-Section 423 Component authorizes the grant of rights which need not qualify as rights granted pursuant to an “employee stock purchase plan” under Section 423 of the Code. Rights granted under the Non-Section 423 Component shall be granted pursuant to separate Offerings containing such sub-plans, appendices, rules or procedures as may be adopted by the Administrator and designed to achieve tax, securities laws or other objectives for Eligible Participants and Designated Subsidiaries but shall not be intended to qualify as an “employee stock purchase plan” under Section 423 of the Code. Except as otherwise determined by the Administrator or provided herein, the Non-Section 423 Component will operate and be administered in the same manner as the Section 423 Component. Offerings intended to be made under the Non-Section 423 Component will be designated as such by the Administrator at or prior to the time of such Offering.

For purposes of this Plan, the Administrator may designate separate Offerings under the Plan in which Eligible Participants will participate. The terms of these Offerings need not be identical, even if the dates of the applicable Offering Period(s) in each such Offering are identical, provided that the terms of participation are the same within each separate Offering under the Section 423 Component (as determined under Section 423 of the Code); *provided*, that no Eligible Non-Employee Service Providers shall be permitted to participate in any Offering under the Section 423 Component. Solely by way of example and without limiting the foregoing, the Company could, but shall not be required to, provide for simultaneous Offerings under the Section 423 Component and the Non-Section 423 Component of the Plan.

ARTICLE II.
DEFINITIONS AND CONSTRUCTION

Wherever the following terms are used in the Plan they shall have the meanings specified below, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.

2.1 “*Administrator*” means the entity that conducts the general administration of the Plan as provided in Article XI.

2.2 “*Agent*” means the brokerage firm, bank or other financial institution, entity or person(s), if any, engaged, retained, appointed or authorized to act as the agent of the Company or an Employee with regard to the Plan.

2.3 “*Applicable Law*” means the requirements relating to the administration of equity incentive plans under U.S. federal and state securities, tax and other applicable laws, rules and regulations, the applicable rules of any stock exchange or quotation system on which Shares are listed or quoted and the applicable laws and rules of any foreign country or other jurisdiction where rights under this Plan are granted.

2.4 “**Board**” means the Board of Directors of the Company.

2.5 “**Code**” means the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the regulations issued thereunder.

2.6 “**Common Stock**” means common stock of the Company and such other securities of the Company that may be substituted therefore.

2.7 “**Company**” means CG Oncology, Inc., a Delaware corporation, or any successor.

2.8 “**Compensation**” of an Eligible Participant means, unless otherwise determined by the Administrator, the gross base compensation or wages (or fees, in the case of an Eligible Consultant) received by such Eligible Participant as compensation for services to the Company or any Designated Subsidiary, excluding overtime payments, sales commissions, incentive compensation, bonuses, expense reimbursements, income received in connection with any compensatory equity awards, fringe benefits and other special payments.

2.9 “**Consultant**” means any person, including any adviser, engaged by the Company or its parent or Designated Subsidiary to render services to such entity if the consultant or adviser: (i) renders bona fide services to the Company; (ii) renders services not in connection with the offer or sale of securities in a capital-raising transaction and does not directly or indirectly promote or maintain a market for the Company’s securities; and (iii) is a natural person. For purposes of the Plan, “**Consultant**” shall include any individual who is engaged by the Company or a Designated Subsidiary through a professional employer organization who does not otherwise qualify as an Employee, provided he or she is considered a “consultant or advisor” for purposes of Form S-8.

2.10 “**Designated Subsidiary**” means any Subsidiary designated by the Administrator in accordance with Section 11.2(b), such designation to specify whether such participation by Eligible Employees employed by such Designated Subsidiary is in the Section 423 Component or Non-Section 423 Component. The Administrator shall designate whether a Designated Subsidiary shall permit participation by Eligible Non-Employee Service Providers, and any such participation by Eligible Non-Employee Service Providers shall be in the Non-Section 423 Component. All of the Eligible Employees of a Designated Subsidiary may be eligible to participate in either the Section 423 Component or Non-Section 423 Component, but not both; provided that the Eligible Employees of a Subsidiary that, for U.S. tax purposes, is disregarded from the Company or any Subsidiary that participates in the Section 423 Component shall automatically constitute a Designated Subsidiary that participates in the Section 423 Component.

2.11 “**Effective Date**” means the Pricing Date, provided that the Board and the stockholders of the Company have approved and adopted the Plan prior to or on such date.

2.12 “**Eligible Employee**” means:

(a) An Employee who does not, immediately after any rights under this Plan are granted, own (directly or through attribution) stock possessing 5% or more of the total combined voting power or value of all classes of Shares and other securities of the Company, a Parent or a Subsidiary (as determined under Section 423(b)(3) of the Code). For purposes of the foregoing, the rules of Section 424(d) of the Code with regard to the attribution of stock ownership shall apply in determining the stock ownership of an individual, and stock that an Employee may purchase under outstanding options shall be treated as stock owned by the Employee.

(b) Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Administrator may provide in an Offering Document that an Employee shall not be eligible to participate in an Offering Period under the Section 423 Component if: (i) such Employee is a highly compensated employee within the meaning of Section 423(b)(4)(D) of the Code; (ii) such Employee has not met a service requirement designated by the

Administrator pursuant to Section 423(b)(4)(A) of the Code (which service requirement may not exceed two (2) years); (iii) such Employee's customary employment is for twenty (20) hours per week or less; (iv) such Employee's customary employment is for less than five (5) months in any calendar year; and/or (v) such Employee is a citizen or resident of a foreign jurisdiction and the grant of a right to purchase Shares under the Plan to such Employee would be prohibited under the laws of such foreign jurisdiction or the grant of a right to purchase Shares under the Plan to such Employee in compliance with the laws of such foreign jurisdiction would cause the Plan to violate the requirements of Section 423 of the Code, as determined by the Administrator in its sole discretion; provided, further, that any exclusion in clauses (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) or (v) shall be applied in an identical manner under each Offering Period to all Employees, in accordance with Treas. Reg. Section 1.423-2(e).

(c) Further notwithstanding the foregoing, with respect to the Non-Section 423 Component, the first sentence in this definition shall apply in determining who is an "Eligible Employee," except (i) the Administrator may limit eligibility further within the Company or a Designated Subsidiary so as to only designate some Employees of the Company or a Designated Subsidiary as Eligible Employees, and (ii) to the extent the restrictions in the first sentence in this definition are not consistent with applicable local laws, the applicable local laws shall control.

2.13 "**Eligible Non-Employee Service Provider**" means a Consultant who is a citizen or resident of a foreign jurisdiction or otherwise provides services in a location outside of the United States who is designated by the Administrator to participate in the Non-Section 423 Component. In no event shall an Eligible Non-Employee Service Provider be eligible to participate in the Section 423 Component.

2.14 "**Eligible Participant**" means an Eligible Employee or an Eligible Non-Employee Service Provider.

2.15 "**Employee**" means any individual who renders services to the Company or any Designated Subsidiary in the status of an employee, and, with respect to the Section 423 Component, a person who is an employee of the Company or any Designated Subsidiary within the meaning of Section 3401(c) of the Code. For purposes of an individual's participation in, or other rights under the Plan, all determinations by the Company shall be final, binding, and conclusive, notwithstanding that any court of law or governmental agency subsequently makes a contrary determination. For purposes of the Plan, the employment relationship shall be treated as continuing intact while the individual is on sick leave or other leave of absence approved by the Company or Designated Subsidiary and meeting the requirements of Treas. Reg. Section 1.421-1(h)(2). Where the period of leave exceeds three (3) months (or such other period specified in Treas. Reg. Section 1.421-1(h)(2)) and the individual's right to reemployment is not guaranteed either by statute or by contract, the employment relationship shall be deemed to have terminated on the first day immediately following such three (3)-month period.

2.16 "**Enrollment Date**" means the first Trading Day of each Offering Period; provided that, the Enrollment Date for the Initial Offering Period shall be the Pricing Date.

2.17 "**Fair Market Value**" means, as of any date, the value of Shares determined as follows: (i) if the Shares are listed on any established stock exchange, its Fair Market Value will be the closing sales price for such Shares as quoted on such exchange for such date, or if no sale occurred on such date, the last day preceding such date during which a sale occurred, as reported in The Wall Street Journal or another source the Administrator deems reliable; (ii) if the Shares are not traded on a stock exchange but are quoted on a national market or other quotation system, the closing sales price on such date, or if no sales occurred on such date, then on the last date preceding such date during which a sale occurred, as reported in The Wall Street Journal or another source the Administrator deems reliable; (iii) without an established market for the Shares, the Administrator may determine the Fair Market Value in its discretion; or (iv) with respect

to the Initial Offering Period, the Fair Market Value as specified in the Offering Document approved by the Administrator with respect to the Initial Offering Period.

2.18 “**Initial Offering Period**” means the period commencing on the Pricing Date and ending on the date set forth in the Offering Document approved by the Administrator with respect to the Initial Offering Period.

2.19 “**Non-Section 423 Component**” means those Offerings under the Plan, together with the sub-plans, appendices, rules or procedures, if any, adopted by the Administrator as a part of this Plan, in each case, pursuant to which rights to purchase Shares during an Offering Period may be granted to Eligible Participants that need not satisfy the requirements for rights to purchase Shares granted pursuant to an “employee stock purchase plan” that are set forth under Section 423 of the Code.

2.20 “**Offering**” means an offer under the Plan of a right to purchase Shares that may be exercised during an Offering Period as further described in Article IV hereof. Unless otherwise specified by the Administrator, (a) Offerings under the Section 423 Component and the Non-Section 423 Component shall be treated as separate and distinct Offerings under separate and distinct plans, (b) each Offering to the Eligible Employees of the Company or a Designated Subsidiary shall be deemed a separate and distinct Offering under a separate and distinct plan, and (c) each Offering to the Eligible Non-Employee Service Providers of the Company or a Designated Subsidiary shall be deemed a separate and distinct Offering under a separate and distinct plan, in each case, even if the dates and other terms of the applicable Offering Periods of each such Offering are identical, and the provisions of the Plan will separately apply to each Offering. To the extent permitted by Treas. Reg. Section 1.423-2(a)(1), the terms of each separate Offering under the Section 423 Component need not be identical, provided that the terms of the Section 423 Component and an Offering thereunder together satisfy Treas. Reg. Section 1.423-2(a)(2) and (a)(3). To the extent the terms of any Offering under the Section 423 Component do not satisfy the requirements for rights to purchase Shares granted pursuant to an “employee stock purchase plan” as set forth under Section 423 of the Code, then the Plan and such Offering shall be deemed to be amended to accomplish the objectives of the terms as originally written to the fullest extent permitted by law and in compliance with Section 423 of the Code.

2.21 “**Offering Document**” has the meaning given to such term in Section 4.1.

2.22 “**Offering Period**” has the meaning given to such term in Section 4.1.

2.23 “**Parent**” means any corporation, other than the Company, in an unbroken chain of corporations ending with the Company if, at the time of the determination, each of the corporations other than the Company owns stock possessing 50% or more of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock in one of the other corporations in such chain.

2.24 “**Participant**” means any Eligible Participant who has executed a subscription agreement (which may be electronic) and been granted rights to purchase Shares pursuant to the Plan (or, with respect to the Initial Offering Period, those Participants specified in the Offering Document approved by the Administrator with respect to the Initial Offering Period).

2.25 “**Payday**” means the regular and recurring established day for payment of Compensation to an Employee or Consultant of the Company or any Designated Subsidiary.

2.26 “**Plan**” means this 2024 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, including both the Section 423 Component and Non-Section 423 Component and any other sub-plans or appendices hereto, as amended from time to time.

2.27 “**Pricing Date**” means the date upon which the Company’s Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission relating to the underwritten public offering of shares of Common Stock becomes effective.

2.28 “**Pricing Date Fully-Diluted Shares**” means, as of the Pricing Date, the sum of (a) the Shares outstanding on such date (calculated on an as-converted basis after giving effect to the conversion of the Company’s outstanding securities into Shares in connection with the initial public offering and after giving effect to the issuance of Shares to be sold in the initial public offering (assuming the exercise in full of the underwriters’ option to purchase additional Shares in such initial public offering)), (b) the Shares subject to compensatory equity awards (including stock options) outstanding on such date (with the number of Shares subject to performance-based compensatory equity awards calculated at the “maximum” level of performance), and (c) all Shares available for future issuance under the Plan and the Company’s 2024 Incentive Award Plan as of such date.

2.29 “**Purchase Date**” means the last Trading Day of each Purchase Period or such other date as determined by the Administrator and set forth in the Offering Document.

2.30 “**Purchase Period**” shall refer to one or more periods within an Offering Period, as designated in the applicable Offering Document; provided, however, that, in the event no Purchase Period is designated by the Administrator in the applicable Offering Document, the Purchase Period for each Offering Period covered by such Offering Document shall be the same as the applicable Offering Period.

2.31 “**Purchase Price**” means the purchase price designated by the Administrator in the applicable Offering Document (which purchase price, for purposes of the Section 423 Component, shall not be less than 85% of the Fair Market Value of a Share on the Enrollment Date or on the Purchase Date, whichever is lower); provided, however, that, in the event no purchase price is designated by the Administrator in the applicable Offering Document, the purchase price for the Offering Periods covered by such Offering Document shall be 85% of the Fair Market Value of a Share on the Enrollment Date or on the Purchase Date, whichever is lower; provided, further, that the Purchase Price may be adjusted by the Administrator pursuant to Article VIII and shall not be less than the par value of a Share.

2.32 “**Section 423 Component**” means those Offerings under the Plan, together with the sub-plans, appendices, rules or procedures, if any, adopted by the Administrator as a part of this Plan, in each case, pursuant to which rights to purchase Shares during an Offering Period may be granted to Eligible Employees that are intended to satisfy the requirements for rights to purchase Shares granted pursuant to an “employee stock purchase plan” that are set forth under Section 423 of the Code. To the extent any provision of the Plan with respect to the Section 423 Component does not satisfy the requirements for rights to purchase Shares granted pursuant to an “employee stock purchase plan” as set forth under Section 423 of the Code, then the Plan shall be deemed to be amended to accomplish the objectives of the terms as originally written to the fullest extent permitted by law and in compliance with Section 423 of the Code.

2.33 “**Securities Act**” means the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

2.34 “**Share**” means a share of Common Stock.

2.35 “**Subsidiary**” means any corporation, other than the Company, in an unbroken chain of corporations beginning with the Company if, at the time of the determination, each of the corporations other than the last corporation in an unbroken chain owns stock possessing 50% or more of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock in one of the other corporations in such chain; provided, however, that a limited liability company or partnership may be treated as a Subsidiary to the extent either (a) such entity is treated as a disregarded entity under Treas. Reg. Section 301.7701-3(a) by reason of the Company or any other Subsidiary that is a corporation being the sole owner of such entity, or (b) such entity elects to be classified as a corporation under Treas. Reg. Section 301.7701-3(a) and such entity would otherwise qualify as a Subsidiary. In addition, with respect to the Non-Section 423 Component, Subsidiary shall include any corporate or non-corporate entity in which the Company has a direct or indirect equity interest or significant business relationship that constitutes a “parent” or “subsidiary” of the Company for purposes of Form S-8 of the Securities Act and whose employees are eligible to be offered securities registrable on Form S-8 of the Securities Act.

2.36 “**Trading Day**” means a day on which national stock exchanges in the United States are open for trading.

2.37 “**Treas. Reg.**” means U.S. Department of the Treasury regulations.

ARTICLE III. SHARES SUBJECT TO THE PLAN

3.1 Number of Shares. Subject to Article VIII, the aggregate number of Shares that may be issued pursuant to rights granted under the Plan shall be equal to 1% of the aggregate number of Pricing Date Fully-Diluted Shares. In addition to the foregoing, subject to Article VIII, on the first day of each calendar year beginning on January 1, 2025 and ending on and including January 1, 2034, the number of Shares available for issuance under the Plan shall be increased by that number of Shares equal to the lesser of (a) 1% of the aggregate number of shares of Common Stock

of the Company outstanding on the final day of the immediately preceding calendar year and (b) such smaller number of Shares as determined by the Administrator. If any right granted under the Plan shall for any reason terminate without having been exercised, the Shares not purchased under such right shall again become available for issuance under the Plan. Notwithstanding anything in this Section 3.1 to the contrary, the number of Shares that may be issued or transferred pursuant to the rights granted under the Plan shall not exceed an aggregate of 100,000,000 Shares, subject to Article VIII. All or any portion of such maximum number of Shares may be issued under the Section 423 Component.

3.2 Shares Distributed. Any Shares distributed pursuant to the Plan may consist, in whole or in part, of authorized and unissued Shares, treasury shares or Shares purchased on the open market.

ARTICLE IV. OFFERING PERIODS; OFFERING DOCUMENTS; PURCHASE DATES

4.1 Offering Periods. The Administrator may from time to time grant or provide for the grant of rights to purchase Shares under the Plan to Eligible Participants during one or more periods (each, an “*Offering Period*”) selected by the Administrator. The terms and conditions applicable to each Offering Period shall be set forth in an “*Offering Document*” adopted by the Administrator, which Offering Document shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as the Administrator shall deem appropriate and shall be incorporated by reference into and made part of the Plan and shall be attached hereto as part of the Plan. The Administrator shall establish in each Offering Document one or more Purchase Periods during such Offering Period during which rights granted under the Plan shall be exercised and purchases of Shares carried out during such Offering Period in accordance with such Offering Document and the Plan. The provisions of separate Offerings or Offering Periods under the Plan need not be identical.

4.2 Offering Documents. Each Offering Document with respect to an Offering Period shall specify (through incorporation of the provisions of this Plan by reference or otherwise):

- (a) the length of the Offering Period, which period shall not exceed twenty-seven (27) months;
- (b) the length of the Purchase Period(s) within the Offering Period;
- (c) the maximum number of Shares that may be purchased by any Eligible Participant during such Offering Period, which, in the absence of a contrary designation by the Administrator, shall be 100,000 Shares;
- (d) in connection with each Offering Period that contains more than one Purchase Period, the maximum aggregate number of shares which may be purchased by any Eligible Participant during each Purchase Period, which, in the absence of a contrary designation by the Administrator, shall be 100,000 Shares; and
- (e) such other provisions as the Administrator determines are appropriate, subject to the Plan.

ARTICLE V. ELIGIBILITY AND PARTICIPATION

5.1 Eligibility. Any Eligible Employee who shall be employed by the Company or a Designated Subsidiary on a given Enrollment Date for an Offering Period shall be eligible to participate in

the Plan during such Offering Period, subject to the requirements of this Article V and, for the Section 423 Component, the limitations imposed by Section 423(b) of the Code. Any Eligible Non-Employee Service Provider who is engaged by the Company or a Designated Subsidiary, including, without limitation, through a professional employer organization, on a given Enrollment Date for an Offering Period, may be eligible to participate in the Non-Section 423 Component of the Plan during such Offering Period, subject to the requirements of this Article V.

5.2 Enrollment in Plan.

(a) Except as otherwise set forth in an Offering Document or determined by the Administrator, an Eligible Participant may become a Participant in the Plan for an Offering Period by delivering a subscription agreement to the Company by such time prior to the Enrollment Date for such Offering Period (or such other date specified in the Offering Document) designated by the Administrator and in such form as the Company provides.

(b) Except as otherwise determined by the Administrator, each subscription agreement shall designate a whole percentage of such Eligible Participant's Compensation to be withheld by the Company or the Designated Subsidiary employing such Eligible Participant on each Payday during the Offering Period as payroll or fee deductions under the Plan. The percentage of Compensation designated by an Eligible Participant may not be less than 1% and may not be more than the maximum percentage specified by the Administrator in the applicable Offering Document (which percentage shall be 15% in the absence of any such designation) as payroll or fee deductions. The payroll or fee deductions made for each Participant shall be credited to an account for such Participant under the Plan and shall be deposited with the general funds of the Company.

(c) A Participant may increase or decrease the percentage of Compensation designated in his or her subscription agreement, subject to the limits of this Section 5.2, or may suspend his or her payroll or fee deductions, at any time during an Offering Period; provided, however, that the Administrator may limit the number of changes a Participant may make to his or her payroll or fee deduction elections during each Purchase Period in the applicable Offering Document (and in the absence of any specific designation by the Administrator, a Participant shall be allowed to decrease (but not increase) or suspend his or her payroll or fee deduction elections one time during each Purchase Period). Any such change or suspension of payroll or fee deductions shall be effective with the first full payroll or fee accrual period following five (5) business days after the Company's receipt of the new subscription agreement (or such shorter or longer period as may be specified by the Administrator in the applicable Offering Document). In the event a Participant suspends his or her payroll or fee deductions, such Participant's cumulative payroll or fee deductions prior to the suspension shall remain in his or her account and shall be applied to the purchase of Shares on the next occurring Purchase Date and shall not be paid to such Participant unless he or she withdraws from participation in the Plan pursuant to Article VII.

(d) Except as otherwise set forth in an Offering Document or determined by the Administrator, a Participant may participate in the Plan only by means of payroll or fee deduction and may not make contributions by lump sum payment for any Offering Period.

5.3 Payroll and Fee Deductions. Except as otherwise provided in the applicable Offering Document or determined by the Administrator, payroll or fee deductions for a Participant shall commence on the first Payday following the Enrollment Date and shall end on the last Payday in the Offering Period to which the Participant's authorization is applicable, unless sooner terminated by the Participant as provided in Article VII or suspended by the Participant or the Administrator as provided in Section 5.2 and Section 5.6, respectively. Notwithstanding any other provisions of the Plan to the contrary, in non-U.S. jurisdictions where participation in the Plan through payroll or fee deductions is prohibited, the Administrator may provide

that an Eligible Participant may elect to participate through contributions to the Participant's account under the Plan in a form acceptable to the Administrator in lieu of or in addition to payroll or fee deductions; provided, however, that, for any Offering under the Section 423 Component, the Administrator shall take into consideration any limitations under Section 423 of the Code when applying an alternative method of contribution.

5.4 Effect of Enrollment. A Participant's completion of a subscription agreement will enroll such Participant in the Plan for each subsequent Offering Period on the terms contained therein until the Participant either submits a new subscription agreement, withdraws from participation under the Plan as provided in Article VII or otherwise becomes ineligible to participate in the Plan.

5.5 Limitation on Purchase of Shares. An Eligible Employee may be granted rights under the Section 423 Component only if such rights, together with any other rights granted to such Eligible Employee under "employee stock purchase plans" of the Company, any Parent or any Subsidiary, as specified by Section 423(b)(8) of the Code, do not permit such employee's rights to purchase stock of the Company or any Parent or Subsidiary to accrue at a rate that exceeds \$25,000 of the fair market value of such stock (determined as of the first day of the Offering Period during which such rights are granted) for each calendar year in which such rights are outstanding at any time. This limitation shall be applied in accordance with Section 423(b)(8) of the Code.

5.6 Suspension of Payroll or Fee Deductions. Notwithstanding the foregoing, to the extent necessary to comply with Section 423(b)(8) of the Code and Section 5.5 (with respect to the Section 423 Component) or the other limitations set forth in this Plan, a Participant's payroll or fee deductions may be suspended by the Administrator at any time during an Offering Period. The balance of the amount credited to the account of each Participant that has not been applied to the purchase of Shares by reason of Section 423(b)(8) of the Code, Section 5.5 or the other limitations set forth in this Plan shall be paid to such Participant in one lump sum in cash as soon as reasonably practicable after the Purchase Date.

5.7 Foreign Participants. In order to facilitate participation in the Plan, the Administrator may provide for such special terms applicable to Participants who are citizens or residents of a foreign jurisdiction, or who are employed by a Designated Subsidiary outside of the United States, as the Administrator may consider necessary or appropriate to accommodate differences in local law, tax policy or custom. Except as permitted by Section 423 of the Code, with respect to the Section 423 Component, such special terms may not be more favorable than the terms of rights granted under the Section 423 Component to Eligible Employees who are residents of the United States. Such special terms may be set forth in an addendum to the Plan in the form of an appendix or sub-plan (which appendix or sub-plan may be designed to govern Offerings under the Section 423 Component or the Non-Section 423 Component, as determined by the Administrator). To the extent that the terms and conditions set forth in an appendix or sub-plan conflict with any provisions of the Plan, the provisions of the appendix or sub-plan shall govern. The adoption of any such appendix or sub-plan shall be pursuant to Section 11.2(g). Without limiting the foregoing, the Administrator is specifically authorized to adopt rules and procedures, with respect to Participants who are foreign nationals or employed in non-U.S. jurisdictions, regarding the exclusion of particular Subsidiaries from participation in the Plan, eligibility to participate, the definition of Compensation, handling of payroll or fee deductions or other contributions by Participants, payment of interest, conversion of local currency, data privacy security, payroll tax, withholding procedures, establishment of bank or trust accounts to hold payroll or fee deductions or contributions.

**ARTICLE VI.
GRANT AND EXERCISE OF RIGHTS**

6.1 Grant of Rights. On the Enrollment Date of each Offering Period, each Eligible Participant participating in such Offering Period shall be granted a right to purchase the maximum number of Shares specified under Section 4.2, subject to the limits in Section 5.5, and shall have the right to buy, on each Purchase Date during such Offering Period (at the applicable Purchase Price), such number of whole Shares as is determined by dividing (a) such Participant's payroll or fee deductions accumulated prior to such Purchase Date and retained in the Participant's account as of the Purchase Date, by (b) the applicable Purchase Price (rounded down to the nearest Share). The right shall expire on the earliest of: (x) the last Purchase Date of the Offering Period, (y) the last day of the Offering Period, and (z) the date on which the Participant withdraws in accordance with Section 7.1 or Section 7.3.

6.2 Exercise of Rights. On each Purchase Date, each Participant's accumulated payroll or fee deductions and any other additional payments specifically provided for in the applicable Offering Document will be applied to the purchase of whole Shares, up to the maximum number of Shares permitted pursuant to the terms of the Plan and the applicable Offering Document, at the Purchase Price. No fractional Shares shall be issued upon the exercise of rights granted under the Plan, unless the Offering Document specifically provides otherwise. Any cash in lieu of fractional Shares remaining after the purchase of whole Shares upon exercise of a purchase right will be credited to a Participant's account and carried forward and applied toward the purchase of whole Shares for the next following Offering Period, unless the Administrator provides that such amounts should be returned to the Participant in one lump sum payment in a subsequent check. Shares issued pursuant to the Plan may be evidenced in such manner as the Administrator may determine and may be issued in certificated form or issued pursuant to book-entry procedures.

6.3 Pro Rata Allocation of Shares. If the Administrator determines that, on a given Purchase Date, the number of Shares with respect to which rights are to be exercised may exceed (a) the number of Shares that were available for issuance under the Plan on the Enrollment Date of the applicable Offering Period, or (b) the number of Shares available for issuance under the Plan on such Purchase Date, the Administrator may in its sole discretion provide that the Company shall make a pro rata allocation of the Shares available for purchase on such Enrollment Date or Purchase Date, as applicable, in as uniform a manner as shall be practicable and as it shall determine in its sole discretion to be equitable among all Participants for whom rights to purchase Shares are to be exercised pursuant to this Article VI on such Purchase Date, and shall either (i) continue all Offering Periods then in effect, or (ii) terminate any or all Offering Periods then in effect pursuant to Article IX. The Company may make pro rata allocation of the Shares available on the Enrollment Date of any applicable Offering Period pursuant to the preceding sentence, notwithstanding any authorization of additional Shares for issuance under the Plan by the Company's stockholders subsequent to such Enrollment Date. The balance of the amount credited to the account of each Participant that has not been applied to the purchase of Shares shall be paid to such Participant in one lump sum in cash as soon as reasonably practicable after the Purchase Date or such earlier date as determined by the Administrator.

6.4 Withholding. At the time a Participant's rights under the Plan are exercised, in whole or in part, or at the time some or all of the Shares issued under the Plan is disposed of, the Participant must make adequate provision for the Company's federal, state, or other tax withholding obligations, if any, that arise upon the exercise of the right or the disposition of the Shares. At any time, the Company may, but shall not be obligated to, withhold from the Participant's compensation or Shares received pursuant to the Plan the amount necessary for the Company to meet applicable withholding obligations, including any withholding required to make available to the Company any tax deductions or benefits attributable to sale or early disposition of Shares by the Participant.

6.5 Conditions to Issuance of 6.6 Shares. The Company shall not be required to issue or deliver any certificate or certificates for, or make any book entries evidencing, Shares purchased upon the exercise of rights under the Plan prior to fulfillment of all of the following conditions: (a) the admission of such Shares to listing on all stock exchanges, if any, on which the Shares are then listed; (b) the completion of any registration or other qualification of such Shares under any state or federal law or under the rulings or regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission or any other governmental regulatory body, that the Administrator shall, in its absolute discretion, deem necessary or advisable; (c) the obtaining of any approval or other clearance from any state or federal governmental agency that the Administrator shall, in its absolute discretion, determine to be necessary or advisable; (d) the payment to the Company of all amounts that it is required to withhold under federal, state or local law upon exercise of the rights, if any; and (e) the lapse of such reasonable period of time following the exercise of the rights as the Administrator may from time to time establish for reasons of administrative convenience.

ARTICLE VII. WITHDRAWAL; CESSATION OF ELIGIBILITY

7.1 Withdrawal. A Participant may withdraw all but not less than all of the payroll and fee deductions credited to his or her account and not yet used to exercise his or her rights under the Plan at any time by giving written notice to the Company in a form acceptable to the Company no later than one (1) week prior to the end of the Offering Period (or such shorter or longer period as may be specified by the Administrator in the applicable Offering Document). All of the Participant's payroll and fee deductions credited to his or her account during an Offering Period shall be paid to such Participant as soon as reasonably practicable after receipt of notice of withdrawal and such Participant's rights for the Offering Period shall be automatically terminated, and no further payroll or fee deductions for the purchase of Shares shall be made for such Offering Period. If a Participant withdraws from an Offering Period, payroll or fee deductions shall not resume at the beginning of the next Offering Period unless the Participant is an Eligible Participant and timely delivers to the Company a new subscription agreement.

7.2 Future Participation. A Participant's withdrawal from an Offering Period shall not have any effect upon his or her eligibility to participate in any similar plan that may hereafter be adopted by the Company or a Designated Subsidiary or in subsequent Offering Periods that commence after the termination of the Offering Period from which the Participant withdraws.

7.3 Cessation of Eligibility. Upon a Participant's ceasing to be an Eligible Participant for any reason, he or she shall be deemed to have elected to withdraw from the Plan pursuant to this Article VII and the payroll and fee deductions credited to such Participant's account during the Offering Period shall be paid to such Participant or, in the case of his or her death, to the person or persons entitled thereto under Section 12.4, as soon as reasonably practicable, and such Participant's rights for the Offering Period shall be automatically terminated. If a Participant transfers employment from the Company or any Designated Subsidiary participating in the Section 423 Component to any Designated Subsidiary participating in the Non-Section 423 Component, such transfer shall not be treated as a termination of employment under the Plan, but the Participant shall immediately cease to participate in the Section 423 Component; however, any contributions made for the Offering Period in which such transfer occurs shall be transferred to the Non-Section 423 Component, and such Participant shall immediately join the then-current Offering under the Non-Section 423 Component upon the same terms and conditions in effect for the Participant's participation in the Section 423 Component, except for such modifications otherwise applicable for Participants in such Offering. A Participant who transfers employment from any Designated Subsidiary participating in the Non-Section 423 Component to the Company or any Designated Subsidiary participating in the Section 423 Component shall not be treated as terminating the Participant's employment under the Plan and shall remain a Participant in the Non-Section 423 Component until the earlier of (i) the end of the current Offering Period under the Non-Section 423 Component or (ii) the Enrollment Date of

the first Offering Period in which the Participant is eligible to participate following such transfer. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Administrator may establish different rules to govern transfers of employment between entities participating in the Section 423 Component and the Non-Section 423 Component, consistent with the applicable requirements of Section 423 of the Code.

ARTICLE VIII. ADJUSTMENTS UPON CHANGES IN SHARES

8.1 Changes in Capitalization. Subject to Section 8.3, in the event that the Administrator determines that any dividend or other distribution (whether in the form of cash, Shares, other securities, or other property), change in control, reorganization, merger, amalgamation, consolidation, combination, repurchase, redemption, recapitalization, liquidation, dissolution, or sale, transfer, exchange or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company, or sale or exchange of Shares or other securities of the Company, issuance of warrants or other rights to purchase Shares or other securities of the Company, or other similar corporate transaction or event, as determined by the Administrator, affects the Shares such that an adjustment is determined by the Administrator to be appropriate in order to prevent dilution or enlargement of the benefits or potential benefits intended by the Company to be made available under the Plan or with respect to any outstanding purchase rights under the Plan, the Administrator shall make equitable adjustments, if any, to reflect such change with respect to (a) the aggregate number and type of Shares (or other securities or property) that may be issued under the Plan (including, but not limited to, adjustments of the limitations in Section 3.1 and the limitations established in each Offering Document pursuant to Section 4.2 on the maximum number of Shares that may be purchased); (b) the class(es) and number of Shares and price per Share subject to outstanding rights; and (c) the Purchase Price with respect to any outstanding rights.

8.2 Other Adjustments. Subject to Section 8.3, in the event of any transaction or event described in Section 8.1 or any unusual or nonrecurring transactions or events affecting the Company, any affiliate of the Company, or the financial statements of the Company or any affiliate, or of changes in Applicable Law or accounting principles, the Administrator, in its discretion, and on such terms and conditions as it deems appropriate, is hereby authorized to take any one or more of the following actions whenever the Administrator determines that such action is appropriate in order to prevent the dilution or enlargement of the benefits or potential benefits intended to be made available under the Plan or with respect to any right under the Plan, to facilitate such transactions or events or to give effect to such changes in laws, regulations or principles:

(a) To provide for either (i) termination of any outstanding right in exchange for an amount of cash, if any, equal to the amount that would have been obtained upon the exercise of such right had such right been currently exercisable or (ii) the replacement of such outstanding right with other rights or property selected by the Administrator in its sole discretion;

(b) To provide that the outstanding rights under the Plan shall be assumed by the successor or survivor corporation, or a parent or subsidiary thereof, or shall be substituted for by similar rights covering the stock of the successor or survivor corporation, or a parent or subsidiary thereof, with appropriate adjustments as to the number and kind of shares and prices;

(c) To make adjustments in the number and type of Shares (or other securities or property) subject to outstanding rights under the Plan and/or in the terms and conditions of outstanding rights and rights that may be granted in the future;

(d) To provide that Participants' accumulated payroll or fee deductions may be used to purchase Shares prior to the next occurring Purchase Date on such date as the Administrator determines in its sole discretion and the Participants' rights under the ongoing Offering Period(s) shall be terminated; and

(e) To provide that all outstanding rights shall terminate without being exercised.

8.3 No Adjustment Under Certain Circumstances. Unless determined otherwise by the Administrator, no adjustment or action described in this Article VIII or in any other provision of the Plan shall be authorized to the extent that such adjustment or action would cause the Section 423 Component of the Plan to fail to satisfy the requirements of Section 423 of the Code.

8.4 No Other Rights. Except as expressly provided in the Plan, no Participant shall have any rights by reason of any subdivision or consolidation of shares of stock of any class, the payment of any dividend, any increase or decrease in the number of shares of stock of any class or any dissolution, liquidation, merger, or consolidation of the Company or any other corporation. Except as expressly provided in the Plan or pursuant to action of the Administrator under the Plan, no issuance by the Company of shares of stock of any class, or securities convertible into shares of stock of any class, shall affect, and no adjustment by reason thereof shall be made with respect to, the number of Shares subject to outstanding rights under the Plan or the Purchase Price with respect to any outstanding rights.

ARTICLE IX. AMENDMENT, MODIFICATION AND TERMINATION

9.1 Amendment, Modification and Termination. The Administrator may amend, suspend or terminate the Plan at any time and from time to time; provided, however, that approval of the Company's stockholders shall be required to amend the Plan to: (a) increase the aggregate number, or change the type, of shares that may be sold pursuant to rights under the Plan under Section 3.1 (other than an adjustment as provided by Article VIII) or (b) change the corporations or classes of corporations whose employees may be granted rights under the Plan.

9.2 Certain Changes to Plan. Without stockholder consent and without regard to whether any Participant rights may be considered to have been adversely affected (and, with respect to the Section 423 Component of the Plan, after taking into account Section 423 of the Code), the Administrator shall be entitled to change or terminate the Offering Periods, limit the frequency and/or number of changes in the amount withheld from Compensation during an Offering Period, establish the exchange ratio applicable to amounts withheld in a currency other than U.S. dollars, permit payroll withholding in excess of the amount designated by a Participant in order to adjust for delays or mistakes in the Company's processing of payroll withholding elections, establish reasonable waiting and adjustment periods and/or accounting and crediting procedures to ensure that amounts applied toward the purchase of Shares for each Participant properly correspond with amounts withheld from the Participant's Compensation, and establish such other limitations or procedures as the Administrator determines in its sole discretion to be advisable that are consistent with the Plan.

9.3 Actions In the Event of Unfavorable Financial Accounting Consequences. In the event the Administrator determines that the ongoing operation of the Plan may result in unfavorable financial accounting consequences, the Administrator may, in its discretion and, to the extent necessary or desirable, modify or amend the Plan to reduce or eliminate such accounting consequence including, but not limited to:

(a) altering the Purchase Price for any Offering Period including an Offering Period underway at the time of the change in Purchase Price;

(b) shortening any Offering Period so that the Offering Period ends on a new Purchase Date, including an Offering Period underway at the time of the Administrator action; and

(c) allocating Shares.

Such modifications or amendments shall not require stockholder approval or the consent of any Participant.

9.4 Payments Upon Termination of Plan. Upon termination of the Plan, the balance in each Participant's Plan account shall be refunded as soon as practicable after such termination, without any interest thereon, or the Offering Period may be shortened so that the purchase of Shares occurs prior to the termination of the Plan.

ARTICLE X. TERM OF PLAN

The Plan shall become effective on the Effective Date. The effectiveness of the Plan shall be subject to approval of the Plan by the Company's stockholders within twelve months following the date the Plan is first approved by the Board. No right may be granted under the Plan prior to such stockholder approval. The Plan shall remain in effect until terminated under Section 9.1. No rights may be granted under the Plan during any period of suspension of the Plan or after termination of the Plan.

ARTICLE XI. ADMINISTRATION

11.1 Administrator. Unless otherwise determined by the Board, the Administrator of the Plan shall be the Compensation Committee of the Board (or another committee or a subcommittee of the Board to which the Board delegates administration of the Plan). The Board may at any time vest in the Board any authority or duties for administration of the Plan. The Administrator may delegate administrative tasks under the Plan to the services of an Agent or Employees to assist in the administration of the Plan, including establishing and maintaining an individual securities account under the Plan for each Participant.

11.2 Authority of Administrator. The Administrator shall have the power, subject to, and within the limitations of, the express provisions of the Plan:

(a) To determine when and how rights to purchase Shares shall be granted and the provisions of each offering of such rights (which need not be identical).

(b) To designate from time to time which Subsidiaries of the Company shall be Designated Subsidiaries, which designation may be made without the approval of the stockholders of the Company.

(c) To impose a mandatory holding period pursuant to which Employees may not dispose of or transfer Shares purchased under the Plan for a period of time determined by the Administrator in its discretion.

(d) To construe and interpret the Plan and rights granted under it, and to establish, amend and revoke rules and regulations for its administration. The Administrator, in the exercise of this power, may correct any defect, omission or inconsistency in the Plan, in a manner and to the extent it shall deem necessary or expedient to make the Plan fully effective.

(e) To amend, suspend or terminate the Plan as provided in Article IX.

(f) Generally, to exercise such powers and to perform such acts as the Administrator deems necessary or expedient to promote the best interests of the Company and its Subsidiaries and to carry out the intent that the Plan be treated as an “employee stock purchase plan” within the meaning of Section 423 of the Code for the Section 423 Component.

(g) The Administrator may adopt sub-plans applicable to particular Designated Subsidiaries or locations, which sub-plans may be designed to be outside the scope of Section 423 of the Code. The rules of such sub-plans may take precedence over other provisions of this Plan, with the exception of Section 3.1 hereof, but unless otherwise superseded by the terms of such sub-plan, the provisions of this Plan shall govern the operation of such sub-plan.

11.3 Decisions Binding. The Administrator’s interpretation of the Plan, any rights granted pursuant to the Plan, any subscription agreement and all decisions and determinations by the Administrator with respect to the Plan are final, binding, and conclusive on all parties.

ARTICLE XII. MISCELLANEOUS

12.1 Restriction upon Assignment. A right granted under the Plan shall not be transferable other than by will or the Applicable Laws of descent and distribution and is exercisable during the Participant’s lifetime only by the Participant. Except as provided in Section 12.4 hereof, a right under the Plan may not be exercised to any extent except by the Participant. The Company shall not recognize and shall be under no duty to recognize any assignment or alienation of the Participant’s interest in the Plan, the Participant’s rights under the Plan or any rights thereunder.

12.2 Rights as a Stockholder. With respect to Shares subject to a right granted under the Plan, a Participant shall not be deemed to be a stockholder of the Company, and the Participant shall not have any of the rights or privileges of a stockholder, until such Shares have been issued to the Participant or his or her nominee following exercise of the Participant’s rights under the Plan. No adjustments shall be made for dividends (ordinary or extraordinary, whether in cash securities, or other property) or distribution or other rights for which the record date occurs prior to the date of such issuance, except as otherwise expressly provided herein or as determined by the Administrator.

12.3 Interest. No interest shall accrue on the payroll or fee deductions or contributions of a Participant under the Plan.

12.4 Designation of Beneficiary.

(a) A Participant may, in the manner determined by the Administrator, file a written designation of a beneficiary who is to receive any Shares and/or cash, if any, from the Participant’s account under the Plan in the event of such Participant’s death subsequent to a Purchase Date on which the Participant’s rights are exercised but prior to delivery to such Participant of such Shares and cash. In addition, a Participant may file a written designation of a beneficiary who is to receive any cash from the Participant’s account under the Plan in the event of such Participant’s death prior to exercise of the Participant’s rights under the Plan. If the Participant is married and resides in a community property state, a designation of a person other than the Participant’s spouse as his or her beneficiary shall not be effective without the prior written consent of the Participant’s spouse.

(b) Such designation of beneficiary may be changed by the Participant at any time by written notice to the Company. In the event of the death of a Participant and in the absence of a beneficiary validly designated under the Plan who is living at the time of such Participant's death, the Company shall deliver such Shares and/or cash to the executor or administrator of the estate of the Participant, or if no such executor or administrator has been appointed (to the knowledge of the Company), the Company, in its discretion, may deliver such Shares and/or cash to the spouse or to any one or more dependents or relatives of the Participant, or if no spouse, dependent or relative is known to the Company, then to such other person as the Company may designate.

12.5 Notices. All notices or other communications by a Participant to the Company under or in connection with the Plan shall be deemed to have been duly given when received in the form specified by the Company at the location, or by the person, designated by the Company for the receipt thereof.

12.6 Equal Rights and Privileges. Subject to Section 5.7, all Eligible Employees will have equal rights and privileges under the Section 423 Component so that the Section 423 Component of this Plan qualifies as an "employee stock purchase plan" within the meaning of Section 423 of the Code. Subject to Section 5.7, any provision of the Section 423 Component that is inconsistent with Section 423 of the Code will, without further act or amendment by the Company, the Board or the Administrator, be reformed to comply with the equal rights and privileges requirement of Section 423 of the Code. Eligible Participants participating in the Non-Section 423 Component need not have the same rights and privileges as other Eligible Participants participating in the Non-Section 423 Component or as Eligible Employees participating in the Section 423 Component.

12.7 Use of Funds. All payroll and fee deductions received or held by the Company under the Plan may be used by the Company for any corporate purpose, and the Company shall not be obligated to segregate such payroll and fee deductions.

12.8 Reports. Statements of account shall be given to Participants at least annually, which statements shall set forth the amounts of payroll or fee deductions, the Purchase Price, the number of Shares purchased and the remaining cash balance, if any.

12.9 No Employment Rights. Nothing in the Plan shall be construed to give any person (including any Eligible Participant or Participant) the right to remain in the employ or service of the Company or any Parent or Subsidiary or affect the right of the Company or any Parent or Subsidiary to terminate the employment or service of any person (including any Eligible Participant or Participant) at any time, with or without cause.

12.10 Notice of Disposition of Shares. Each Participant shall give prompt notice to the Company of any disposition or other transfer of any Shares purchased upon exercise of a right under the Section 423 Component of the Plan if such disposition or transfer is made: (a) within two (2) years from the Enrollment Date of the Offering Period in which the Shares were purchased or (b) within one (1) year after the Purchase Date on which such Shares were purchased. Such notice shall specify the date of such disposition or other transfer and the amount realized, in cash, other property, assumption of indebtedness or other consideration, by the Participant in such disposition or other transfer.

12.11 Governing Law. The Plan and any agreements hereunder shall be administered, interpreted and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Delaware, disregarding any state's choice of law principles requiring the application of a jurisdiction's laws other than the State of Delaware.

12.12 Electronic Forms. To the extent permitted by Applicable Law and in the discretion of the Administrator, a Participant may submit any form or notice as set forth herein by means of an electronic

form approved by the Administrator. Before the commencement of an Offering Period, the Administrator shall prescribe the time limits within which any such electronic form shall be submitted to the Administrator with respect to such Offering Period in order to be a valid election.

12.13 Section 409A. The Section 423 Component of the Plan and the rights to purchase Shares granted pursuant to Offerings thereunder are intended to be exempt from the application of Section 409A of the Code and the U.S. Department of Treasury Regulations and other interpretive guidance issued thereunder (collectively, "**Section 409A**"). Neither the Non-Section 423 Component nor any right to purchase Shares granted pursuant to an Offering thereunder is intended to constitute or provide for "nonqualified deferred compensation" within the meaning of Section 409A. Notwithstanding any provision of the Plan to the contrary, if the Administrator determines that any right to purchase Shares granted under the Plan may be or become subject to Section 409A or that any provision of the Plan may cause a right to purchase Shares granted under the Plan to be or become subject to Section 409A, the Administrator may adopt such amendments to the Plan and/or adopt other policies and procedures (including amendments, policies and procedures with retroactive effect), or take any other actions as the Administrator determines are necessary or appropriate to avoid the imposition of taxes under Section 409A, either through compliance with the requirements of Section 409A or with an available exemption therefrom.

12.14 Severability. Whenever possible, each provision of the Plan shall be interpreted in such manner as to be effective and valid under applicable law, and with respect to the Section 423 Component, to satisfy the requirements for rights to purchase Shares granted pursuant to an "employee stock purchase plan" as set forth under Section 423 of the Code, but if any provision of the Plan or any Offering shall be held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be prohibited by or invalid or unenforceable under applicable law, or with respect to the Section 423 Component, does not satisfy Section 423 of the Code, then (a) such provision shall be deemed to be amended to accomplish the objectives of the provision as originally written to the fullest extent permitted by law and (b) all other provisions of the Plan and Offering shall remain in full force and effect.

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CG ONCOLOGY, INC.
2024 EMPLOYEE STOCK PURCHASE PLAN
SUB-PLAN FOR
INTERNATIONAL PARTICIPANTS

1. APPLICATION

This Sub-Plan for Participants in non-U.S. jurisdictions in the CG Oncology, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan (this “*Sub-Plan*”) sets forth additional terms and conditions applicable to the rights granted to, and the shares of Common Stock purchased by, Participants in the countries set forth below.

The Plan and this Sub-Plan are complimentary to each other and shall be deemed as one. In any case of contradiction between the provisions of this Sub-Plan and the Plan, the provisions set out in the Sub-Plan shall prevail. Any capitalized terms used in this Sub-Plan but not defined shall have the meaning given to those terms in the Plan.

2. GLOBAL PROVISIONS

(a) Data Protection. It shall be a term and condition for participation in the Plan that a Participant explicitly and unambiguously consent to the collection, use and transfer, in electronic or other form, of a Participant’s personal “Data” (as defined below) by and among, as applicable, the Company, any Parent or Subsidiary and a Participant’s employing entity (the “*Employer*”), if different, and their affiliates (collectively, the “*Company Group*”) for the exclusive purpose of implementing, administering and managing the Participant’s participation in the Plan. The Company Group holds certain personal information about the Participant, including, but not limited to, the Participant’s name, home address and telephone number, e-mail address, date of birth, employee identification number, NRIC or passport number or equivalent, salary, nationality, job title, any shares of stock or directorships held in the Company, details of all options or any other entitlement to shares of stock awarded, canceled, exercised, vested, unvested or outstanding in the Participant’s favor, for the purpose of implementing, administering and managing the Plan (“*Data*”). Data will be transferred to such stock plan service providers, as may be prudently selected by the Company, which are assisting the Company with the implementation, administration and management of the Plan. The recipients of the Data may be located in the United States of America or elsewhere (and, if the Participant is a resident of a member state of the European Union, may be outside the European Economic Area) and that the recipient’s country (e.g., the United States of America) may have different data privacy laws and protections than the Participant’s country. The Participant may request a list with the names and addresses of all recipients of the Data by contacting his or her local human resources representative. Each Participant hereby authorizes the Company Group and any other possible recipients which may assist the Company (presently or in the future) with implementing, administering and managing the Plan to receive, possess, use, retain and transfer the Data, in electronic or other form, for the purposes of implementing, administering and managing the Participant’s participation in the Plan. Data will be held only as long as is necessary to implement, administer and manage the Participant’s participation in the Plan. The Company will also make the Data available to public authorities where required under locally applicable law. A Participant may, at any time, view Data, request additional information about the storage and processing of Data, require any necessary amendments to Data or refuse or withdraw the consents herein, in any case, without cost, by contacting in writing the Participant’s local human resources representative. A Participant’s refusal to provide consent or withdrawal of consent may affect the Participant’s ability to participate in the Plan. This section applies to information held, used or disclosed in any medium.

If Participant resides in the UK or the European Union, the Company Group will hold, collect and otherwise process certain Data as set out in the applicable Company’s GDPR-compliant data privacy.

notice, which will be or has been provided to the Participant separately. All personal data will be treated in accordance with applicable data protection laws and regulations.

(b) Acknowledgment of Nature of Plan and Rights. In participating in the Plan, each Participant acknowledges that:

(i) for employment and labor law purposes, the rights granted and the shares of Common Stock purchased under the Plan are an extraordinary item that do not constitute wages of any kind for services of any kind rendered to the Company, any Parent or Subsidiary or the Employer, and the award of rights is outside the scope of Participant's service contract, if any;

(ii) for employment and labor law purposes, the rights granted and the Common Stock purchased under the Plan are not part of normal or expected wages or salary for any purposes, including, but not limited to, calculation of any severance, resignation, termination, redundancy, dismissal, end of service payments, bonuses, holiday pay, long-service awards, pension or retirement benefits or similar payments and in no event should be considered as compensation for, or relating in any way to, past services for the Company, the Employer, its Parent or any Subsidiary of the Company;

(iii) the rights and the shares of Common Stock purchased under the Plan are not intended to be an integral component of compensation or to replace any pension rights or compensation;

(iv) neither the rights nor any provision of Plan or the policies adopted pursuant to the Plan confer upon any Participant any right with respect to service or continuation of current service and shall not be interpreted to form a service contract or relationship with the Company or any Subsidiary;

(v) the future value of the underlying shares of Common Stock is unknown and cannot be predicted with certainty;

(vi) if the underlying shares of Common Stock do not increase in value, the right may have no value; and

(vii) if a Participant acquires shares of Common Stock, the value of the shares of Common Stock acquired upon purchase may increase or decrease in value, even below the original price paid.

CG ONCOLOGY, INC.

NON-EMPLOYEE DIRECTOR COMPENSATION PROGRAM

Non-employee members of the board of directors (the “*Board*”) of CG Oncology, Inc. (the “*Company*”) shall receive cash and equity compensation as set forth in this Non-Employee Director Compensation Program (this “*Program*”). The cash and equity compensation described in this Program shall be paid or be made, as applicable, automatically and without further action of the Board, to each member of the Board who is not an employee of the Company or any parent or subsidiary of the Company (each, a “*Non-Employee Director*”) who is entitled to receive such cash or equity compensation, unless such Non-Employee Director declines the receipt of such cash or equity compensation by written notice to the Company and subject to any limits on non-employee director compensation set forth in the Equity Plan (as defined below). This Program shall remain in effect until it is revised or rescinded by further action of the Board. This Program may be amended, modified or terminated by the Board at any time in its sole discretion. The terms and conditions of this Program shall supersede any prior cash and/or equity compensation arrangements for service as a member of the Board between the Company and any of its Non-Employee Directors, except for equity compensation previously granted to a Non-Employee Director. This Program shall become effective on the date of the effectiveness of the Company’s Registration Statement on Form S-1 relating to the initial public offering of the Company’s common stock (the “*Effective Date*”).

CASH COMPENSATION

The schedule of annual retainers (the “*Annual Retainers*”) for the Non-Employee Directors is as follows:

<u>Position</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Base Board Retainer	\$40,000
Chair of the Board or Lead Independent Director	\$30,000
Chair of Audit Committee	\$15,000
Chair of Compensation Committee	\$12,000
Chair of Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee	\$10,000
Member of Audit Committee (non-Chair)	\$ 7,500
Member of Compensation Committee (non-Chair)	\$ 6,000
Member of Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee (non-Chair)	\$ 5,000

For the avoidance of doubt, the Annual Retainers in the table above are additive and a Non-Employee Director shall be eligible to earn an Annual Retainer for each position in which he or she serves. The Annual Retainers shall be earned on a quarterly basis based on a calendar quarter and shall be paid in cash by the Company in arrears not later than the fifteenth day following the end of each calendar quarter. In the event a Non-Employee Director does not serve as a Non-Employee Director, or in the applicable position, for an entire calendar quarter, the Annual Retainer paid to such Non-Employee Director shall be prorated for the portion of such calendar quarter actually served as a Non-Employee Director, or in such position, as applicable. The Board may adopt a program that allows Non-Employee Directors to defer Annual Retainers.

EQUITY COMPENSATION

Each Non-Employee Director shall be granted the equity awards described below, which equity awards shall be granted under and subject to the terms and provisions of the Company's 2024 Incentive Award Plan or any other applicable Company equity incentive plan then-maintained by the Company (the "**Equity Plan**") and shall be subject to an equity award agreement in substantially the form previously approved by the Board for use under the Equity Plan. All applicable terms of the Equity Plan apply to this Program as if fully set forth herein, and all grants of equity awards hereby are subject in all respects to the terms of the Equity Plan and the applicable equity award agreement.

A. **Initial Awards.** Each Non-Employee Director who is initially elected or appointed to the Board following the Effective Date shall be automatically granted stock options to purchase 44,500 shares of the Company's common stock under the Equity Plan on the date of such initial election or appointment. The awards described in this Section shall be referred to as "**Initial Awards**."

B. **Annual Awards.** A Non-Employee Director who (i) is serving on the Board as of the date of any annual meeting of the Company's stockholders following the Effective Date, and (ii) will continue to serve as a Non-Employee Director immediately following such meeting, shall be automatically granted stock options to purchase 22,250 shares of the Company's common stock under the Equity Plan on the date of such annual meeting. The awards described in this Section shall be referred to as "**Annual Awards**." For the avoidance of doubt, a Non-Employee Director elected for the first time to the Board at an annual meeting of the Company's stockholders shall only receive an Initial Award in connection with such election and shall not receive any Annual Award on the date of such meeting as well. In addition, in the event of an adjournment or postponement of any annual meeting following the time such meeting commences, the date of the annual meeting for purposes of this clause (B) shall be the date on which the business to be conducted at the annual meeting is concluded.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Non-Employee Director shall have served as a Non-Employee Director for at least (6) months as of the date of any annual meeting to receive an Annual Award, unless otherwise determined by the Board; in which case, the Board may determine to grant such Non-Employee Director an Annual Award or a Prorated Annual Award (as defined below). "**Prorated Annual Award**" means the product determined by multiplying (i) the Annual Award, by (ii) a fraction, the numerator of which is equal to (x) 365 minus (y) the number of days that elapsed from the date of the annual meeting of the Company's stockholders preceding the

Non-Employee Director's date of initial election or appointment to the date of such initial election or appointment, and the denominator of which is 365.

C. Terms of Awards Granted to Non-Employee Directors.

1. *Vesting.* Each Initial Award shall vest and become exercisable in substantially equal monthly installments over the three (3) years beginning on the date of the Non-Employee Director's election or appointment to the Board, subject to the Non-Employee Director continuing in service on the Board through each such vesting date. Each Annual Award shall vest and/or become exercisable in substantially equal monthly installments over the twelve (12) months following the date of grant of such Annual Award (or, in the event the next annual meeting of the Company's stockholders occurs prior to the first anniversary of the date of grant of such Annual Award, any remaining unvested portion of the Annual Award will vest on the date of such annual meeting of the Company's stockholders), subject to the Non-Employee Director continuing in service on the Board through such vesting date.

2. *Forfeiture.* Unless the Board otherwise determines or as otherwise provided in this clause (2), any portion of an Initial Award or Annual Award which is unvested at the time of a Non-Employee Director's termination of service on the Board as a Non-Employee Director shall be immediately forfeited upon such termination of service and shall not thereafter become vested. All of a Non-Employee Director's Initial Awards and Annual Awards shall vest in full upon a Non-Employee Director's Termination of Service by reason of death or Disability and immediately prior to the occurrence of a Change in Control (as defined in the Equity Plan), to the extent outstanding at such time.

3. *Reimbursements.* The Company shall reimburse each Non-Employee Director for all reasonable, documented, out-of-pocket travel and other business expenses incurred by such Non-Employee Director in the performance of his or her duties to the Company in accordance with the Company's applicable expense reimbursement policies and procedures as in effect from time to time.

EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

This Employment Agreement (this "Agreement") is made by and between CG Oncology, Inc. (the "Company"), and Corleen Roche ("Executive") (collectively referred to herein as the "Parties" or individually referred to as a "Party"), effective as of January 16, 2024 (the "Effective Date").

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Company seeks to employ Executive as its Chief Financial Officer; and

WHEREAS, the Parties desire to enter into an agreement setting forth the terms of such employment as of the Effective Date, which supersedes any and all prior understandings and agreements, whether written or oral, including any prior employment offer letters, between Executive and the Company or any of its affiliates, subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and of the respective covenants and agreements set forth below, the Parties hereto agree as follows:

AGREEMENT**1. Employment.**

(a) General. Effective on the Effective Date, the Company shall employ Executive, and Executive shall be employed by the Company, for the period and in the positions set forth in this Section 1, and subject to the other terms and conditions herein provided.

(b) At-Will Employment. The Company and Executive acknowledge that Executive's employment is and shall continue to be at-will, as defined under applicable law, and that Executive's employment with the Company may be terminated by either Party at any time for any or no reason (subject to the notice requirements of Section 3(b)). This "at-will" nature of Executive's employment shall remain unchanged during Executive's tenure as an employee and may not be changed, except in an express writing signed by Executive and a duly authorized officer of the Company. The term of this Agreement (the "Term") shall commence on the Effective Date and end on the date this Agreement is terminated under Section 3.

(c) Positions and Duties. During the Term, Executive shall serve as Chief Financial Officer of the Company, with such responsibilities, duties and authority normally associated with such position and as may from time to time be reasonably assigned to Executive by the Chief Executive Officer of the Company (the "CEO"). Executive shall report to the CEO. Executive shall devote substantially all of Executive's working time and efforts to the business and affairs of the Company (which shall include service to its affiliates, if applicable) and shall not engage in outside business activities (including serving on outside boards or committees) without the consent of the CEO or the Board of Directors (the "Board") of the Company, *provided* that Executive shall be permitted to (i) manage Executive's personal, financial and legal affairs, (ii) participate in trade associations, (iii) continue to provide transitional consulting services under her agreement with Immunome until April 5, 2023; and (iv) serve on the board of directors of not-for-profit or tax-exempt charitable organizations or, with the consent of the Board (not to be unreasonably withheld), the board of directors of non-competitive for-profit businesses, in each case, subject to compliance with this Agreement and provided that such activities do not materially interfere with Executive's performance of Executive's duties and responsibilities hereunder. Executive agrees to observe and comply with the reasonable rules and policies of the Company as adopted by the Company from time to time (to the extent they do not conflict with the terms of this Agreement), in each case, as amended from time to time, and as delivered or made available to Executive (each, a "Policy").

(d) Principal Location. During the Term, Executive shall perform the services required by this Agreement remotely from her residence in the Philadelphia, Pennsylvania metropolitan area, *provided, however*, that the Parties acknowledge and agree that Executive may be required to travel to other locations as may be necessary to fulfill Executive's duties and responsibilities hereunder.

2. Compensation and Related Matters.

(a) Annual Base Salary. During the Term, Executive shall receive a base salary at a rate initially of \$450,000 per annum, which shall be paid in accordance with the customary payroll practices of the Company and shall be pro-rated for partial years of employment. Such annual base salary shall be reviewed (and may be adjusted for increase, but not decrease) from time to time (such annual base salary, as it may be adjusted from time to time, the "Annual Base Salary") by the Board or its compensation committee ("Compensation Committee").

(b) Annual Cash Bonus Opportunity. During the Term, Executive will be eligible to participate in an annual incentive program established by the Board or Compensation Committee with target level annual incentive compensation opportunities as may be determined by the Board or Compensation Committee from time to time, but with an annual "target level" incentive bonus opportunity (the "Target Bonus") of 40% of the Annual Base Salary. The annual bonus payable under the incentive program ("Annual Bonus") shall be based on the achievement of performance goals or such other criteria as may be determined by the Board or Compensation Committee. The payment of any Annual Bonus pursuant to the incentive program shall be subject to Executive's continued employment with the Company through the date of payment, except as otherwise provided in Section 4. The Annual Bonus shall be paid to Executive when paid generally to other senior executives of the Company, but in any event, to the extent determinable as of such time, not later than March 15th of the year immediately following the applicable year for which such Annual Bonus is being paid. The Executive's annual Bonus for 2024 shall be pro-rated to reflect the portion of such year following January 16, 2024.

(c) Sign-On Bonus. Executive shall be entitled to a one-time signing bonus equal to the amount of \$30,000, less any taxable withholdings (the "Sign-On Bonus"), which will be paid not later than thirty (30) days following the Effective Date. If Executive is terminated for Cause or voluntarily leaves the Company without Good Reason prior to completing twenty-four (24) months of service from the Effective Date, Executive shall be required to repay to the Company, within thirty (30) days following Executive's last day of employment with the Company, 100% of the Sign-On Bonus.

(d) Equity Awards. During the Term, Executive will be eligible to participate and receive awards under the Company's equity plans as in effect from time to time. As soon as practicable after the Effective Date, the Compensation Committee of the Board shall approve a grant of stock options to purchase 4,700,000 shares of the Company's common stock (which number does not give effect to the reverse stock split to be implemented by the Company in connection with the Company's initial public offering (the "IPO"), and will be adjusted accordingly prior to grant to reflect the effect of such reverse stock split) (the "Initial Option"). The grant date of the Initial Option will be the date upon which the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") relating to the IPO becomes effective. The Initial Option shall be granted in accordance with the Company's 2024 Incentive Award Plan (the "Plan") and related stock option documents. The Initial Option shall have an exercise price per share equal to the fair market value on the grant date, which the Company anticipates will equal the initial price to the public of a share of the Company's common stock in the IPO.

Subject to Executive's continued employment with the Company, the Initial Option will vest over a four (4) year period starting on the Effective Date, with 25% of the shares vesting on the date that is twelve (12) months after the Effective Date and the remainder vesting in thirty-six (36) equal monthly installments over the subsequent three (3) year period. In the event the Company's IPO is not consummated on or before February 15, 2024, the Company will recommend the grant of the Initial Option to you with an exercise price equal to the fair market value on the date of grant, as determined by the Board, pursuant to the Company's 2022 Incentive Award Plan on similar terms to those described above.

(e) Benefits. During the Term, Executive (and Executive's spouse and/or eligible dependents to the extent provided in the applicable plans and programs) shall be eligible to participate in and be covered under the health and welfare benefit plans and programs maintained by the Company for the benefit of its employees from time to time, pursuant to the terms of such plans and programs including any medical, life, hospitalization, dental, disability, accidental death and dismemberment and travel accident insurance plans and programs on the same terms and conditions as those applicable to similarly situated senior executives. In addition, during the Term, Executive shall be eligible to participate in any retirement, savings and other employee benefit plans and programs maintained from time to time by the Company for the benefit of its senior executive officers. Nothing contained in this Section 2(d) shall create or be deemed to create any obligation on the part of the Company to adopt or maintain any health, welfare, retirement or other benefit plan or program at any time or to create any limitation on the Company's ability to modify or terminate any such plan or program.

(f) Vacation or Paid Time Off. During the Term, Executive shall be entitled to paid personal leave in accordance with the Company's Policies applicable to similarly situated executives. Any vacation or paid time off shall be taken in the reasonable convenience of Executive. Through the Company's paid time-off policies Executive will receive paid sick leave as required by state and any applicable local laws.

(g) Business Expenses. During the Term, the Company shall reimburse Executive for all reasonable travel and other business expenses incurred by Executive in the performance of Executive's duties to the Company in accordance with the Company's Travel and Expense Reimbursement Policy.

(h) Indemnification and D&O Insurance. The Company shall indemnify Executive (and advance expenses to Executive) to the greatest extent permitted by applicable state law and shall provide Executive with coverage under a directors' and officers' liability insurance policy to the same extent provided to other senior executives and directors of the Company.

3. Termination of Employment

Executive's employment hereunder and the Term may be terminated by the Company or Executive, as applicable, without any breach of this Agreement under the following circumstances and the Term will end on the Date of Termination:

(a) Circumstances.

(i) *Death*. Executive's employment hereunder shall terminate upon Executive's death.

(ii) *Disability*. If Executive has incurred a Disability (as defined below), the Company may terminate Executive's employment.

(iii) *Termination for Cause*. The Company may terminate Executive's employment for Cause (as defined below).

(iv) *Termination without Cause*. The Company may terminate Executive's employment without Cause.

(v) *Resignation from the Company with Good Reason*. Executive may resign Executive's employment with the Company with Good Reason (as defined below).

(vi) *Resignation from the Company without Good Reason*. Executive may resign Executive's employment with the Company for any reason other than Good Reason or for no reason.

(b) Notice of Termination. Any termination of Executive's employment by the Company or by Executive under this Section 3 (other than termination pursuant to Section 3(a)(i)) shall be communicated by a written notice to the other Party hereto (i) indicating the specific termination provision in this Agreement relied upon, (ii) setting forth in reasonable detail the facts and circumstances claimed to provide a basis for termination of Executive's employment under the provision so indicated, if applicable, and (iii) specifying a Date of Termination which, if submitted by Executive, shall be at least thirty (30) days following the date of such notice (a "Notice of Termination"); *provided, however*, that in the event that Executive delivers a Notice of Termination to the Company, the Company may, in its sole discretion, change the Date of Termination to any date that occurs following the date of the Company's receipt of such Notice of Termination and is prior to the date specified in such Notice of Termination, but the termination will still be considered a resignation by Executive. A Notice of Termination submitted by the Company may provide for a Date of Termination on the date Executive receives the Notice of Termination, or any date thereafter elected by the Company. The failure by either Party to set forth in the Notice of Termination any fact or circumstance which contributes to a showing of Cause or Good Reason shall not waive any right of the Party hereunder or preclude the Party from asserting such fact or circumstance in enforcing the Party's rights hereunder.

(c) Company Obligations upon Termination. Upon termination of Executive's employment pursuant to any of the circumstances listed in this Section 3, Executive (or Executive's estate, if applicable) shall be entitled to receive the following (the "Accrued Obligations"): (i) the portion of Executive's Annual Base Salary earned through the Date of Termination, but not yet paid to Executive (payable on the Company's next payroll date or such earlier date as required by applicable law); (ii) any expense reimbursements owed to Executive pursuant to Section 2(f), payable pursuant to the applicable policy; and (iii) any amount accrued and arising from Executive's participation in, or benefits accrued under any employee benefit plans, programs or arrangements, which amounts shall be payable in accordance with the terms and conditions of such employee benefit plans, programs or arrangements (collectively, the "Company Arrangements"). Except as otherwise expressly required by law (e.g., COBRA) or applicable Company Arrangement or as specifically provided herein, all of Executive's rights to salary, severance, benefits, bonuses, and other compensatory amounts hereunder (if any) shall cease upon the termination of Executive's employment hereunder. In the event that Executive's employment is terminated by the Company for any reason, Executive's sole and exclusive remedy for severance benefits shall be to receive the payments and benefits described in this Section 3(c) or Section 4, as applicable.

(d) Deemed Resignation. Upon termination of Executive's employment for any reason, Executive shall be deemed to have resigned from all offices and directorships, if any, then held with the Company or any of its subsidiaries.

(e) Return of Property. Upon termination of Executive's employment for any reason, unless otherwise specified in a written agreement between Executive and the Company, Executive agrees to return to the Company all documents of the Company and its affiliates (and all copies thereof) and all other Company or Company affiliate property that Executive has in her possession, custody, or control. Such property includes, without limitation: (i) any materials of any kind that Executive knows contain or embody any proprietary or confidential information of the Company or an affiliate of the Company (and all reproductions thereof), (ii) computers (including, but not limited to, laptop computers, desktop computers and similar devices) and other portable electronic devices (including, but not limited to, tablet computers), cellular phones/smartphones, credit cards, phone cards, entry cards, identification badges and keys, and (iii) any correspondence, drawings, manuals, letters, notes, notebooks, reports, programs, plans, proposals, financial documents, or any other documents concerning the customers, business plans, marketing strategies, products and/or processes of the Company or any of its affiliates and any information received from the Company or any of its affiliates regarding third parties.

4. Severance Payments.

(a) Termination for Cause, or Termination Upon Death, Disability, Resignation from the Company Without Good Reason or Resignation from the Company for Good Reason Prior to a Change in Control or More Than Eighteen (18) Months Following a Change in Control. If Executive's employment shall terminate as a result of Executive's death pursuant to Section (a)(i) or Disability pursuant to Section 1(a)(ii), pursuant to Section 1(a)(iii) for Cause, pursuant to Section (a)(vi) for Executive's resignation from the Company without Good Reason, or pursuant to Section 3(a)(v) for Executive's resignation from the Company with Good Reason (if such resignation for Good Reason occurs prior to a Change in Control or more than eighteen (18) months following a Change in Control), then Executive shall not be entitled to any severance payments or benefits, except for the Accrued Obligations as provided in Section 1(c).

(b) Termination without Cause Prior to a Change in Control or More Than Eighteen (18) Months Following a Change in Control. If Executive's employment terminates without Cause pursuant to Section 1(a)(iv), and such termination without Cause occurs prior to a Change in Control or more than eighteen (18) months following a Change in Control, then subject to Sections 3(e), 4(d) and 9(k), and Executive's continued compliance with the terms of this Agreement (including, without limitation, Section 5), the Company shall pay Executive in addition to the Accrued Obligations set forth in Section 1(c), the following:

(i) an amount in cash equal to 0.75 times Executive's Annual Base Salary as in effect immediately prior to the Date of Termination, payable in a lump sum on the first regular payroll date following the effective date of Executive's Release (as defined below);

(ii) an amount in cash equal to the Target Bonus (and without regard to any reduction in the Target Bonus that resulted in Executive's resignation with Good Reason), prorated to reflect the portion of the year in which the Date of Termination occurs that has elapsed prior to the Date of Termination, payable in a lump sum on the first regular payroll date following the effective date of Executive's Release (but in no event later than March 15 of the calendar year following the year in which Executive's Date of Termination occurs);

(iii) if Executive timely elects to receive continued medical, dental or vision coverage under one or more of the Company's group medical, dental or vision plans pursuant to the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985, as amended ("COBRA"), then the Company shall directly pay, or reimburse Executive for, the COBRA premiums for Executive and Executive's covered dependents under such plans during the period commencing on Executive's

Separation from Service and ending upon the earliest of (A) the last day of the nine (9) month period following the Date of Termination, (B) the date that Executive and/or Executive's covered dependents become no longer eligible for COBRA or (C) the date Executive becomes eligible to receive medical, dental or vision coverage, as applicable, from a subsequent employer (and Executive agrees to promptly notify the Company of such eligibility) (the "COBRA Continuation Period"). Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Company determines it cannot provide the foregoing benefit without potentially violating applicable law (including, without limitation, Section 2716 of the Public Health Service Act) or incurring an excise tax, the Company shall in lieu thereof provide to Executive a taxable monthly payment in an amount equal to the monthly COBRA premium that Executive would be required to pay to continue Executive's and Executive's covered dependents' group health coverage in effect on the Date of Termination (which amount shall be based on the premium for the first month of COBRA coverage), less the amount Executive would have had to pay to receive group health coverage as an active employee for Executive and her covered dependents based on the cost sharing levels in effect on the Date of Termination, which payments shall for the remainder of the COBRA Continuation Period; and

(iv) such number of the outstanding, unvested Company equity awards held by Executive under any Company equity compensation plans as would have vested during the nine (9) months following the date of Executive's Separation from Service had Executive continued in employment or service with the Company during such period shall immediately become vested on the effectiveness of the Release; *provided, however*, that any performance-based equity award will remain subject to attainment of the relevant performance goals during such nine (9) months following the date of Executive's Separation from Service unless a more favorable or alternative provision is contained in an applicable award agreement, and to the extent such performance goals are not attained prior to such deadline, such performance-based equity awards shall not vest pursuant to this clause (iv) and shall be forfeited.

(c) Change in Control. In lieu of the payments and benefits set forth in Section 4(b), in the event Executive's employment terminates without Cause pursuant to Section 1(a)(iv), or pursuant to Section 1(a)(v) due to Executive's resignation with Good Reason, in either case, on or within eighteen (18) months following the date of a Change in Control, then subject to Sections 3(e), 4(d) and 9(k), and Executive's continued compliance with the terms of this Agreement (including, without limitation, Section 5), the Company shall pay Executive, in addition to the Accrued Obligations set forth in Section 1(c), the following:

(i) an amount in cash equal to Executive's Annual Base Salary as in effect immediately prior to the Date of Termination (and without regard to any reduction in Annual Base Salary that resulted in Executive's resignation with Good Reason), payable in a lump sum on the first regular payroll date following the effective date of Executive's Release;

(ii) an amount in cash equal to the Target Bonus (and without regard to any reduction in the Target Bonus that resulted in Executive's resignation with Good Reason), payable in a lump sum on the first regular payroll date following the effective date of Executive's Release (but in no event later than March 15 of the calendar year following the year in which Executive's Date of Termination occurs);

(iii) if Executive timely elects to receive continued medical, dental or vision coverage under one or more of the Company's group medical, dental or vision plans pursuant to COBRA, then the Company shall directly pay, or reimburse Executive for, the COBRA premiums for Executive and Executive's covered dependents under such plans during the period commencing on Executive's Separation from Service and ending upon the earliest of (A) the last day of the twelve (12) month period following the Date of Termination, (B) the date that Executive and/or Executive's covered dependents become no longer eligible for COBRA or (C) the date Executive becomes eligible to receive medical, dental or vision coverage, as applicable, from a subsequent employer (and Executive agrees to promptly notify the Company of such eligibility) (the "CIC COBRA Continuation Period"). Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Company determines it cannot provide the foregoing benefit without potentially violating applicable law (including, without limitation, Section 2716 of the Public Health Service Act) or incurring an excise tax, the Company shall in lieu thereof provide to Executive a taxable monthly payment in an amount equal to the monthly COBRA premium that Executive would be required to pay to continue Executive's and Executive's covered dependents' group health coverage in effect on the Date of Termination (which amount shall be based on the premium for the first month of COBRA coverage), less the amount Executive would have had to pay to receive group health coverage as an active employee for Executive and her covered dependents based on the cost sharing levels in effect on the Date of Termination, which payments shall for the remainder of the CIC COBRA Continuation Period; and

(iv) all outstanding, unvested Company equity awards held by Executive under any Company equity compensation plans shall immediately become 100% vested on the effectiveness of the Release, *provided, however*, that any performance-based equity award will remain subject to attainment of the relevant performance goals on or prior to the deadline for attainment of such goals as set forth in the applicable award agreement unless a more favorable or alternative provision is contained in an applicable award agreement, and to the extent such performance goals are not attained prior to such deadline, such performance-based equity awards shall not vest pursuant to this clause (iv) and shall be forfeited.

(d) Release. Notwithstanding the foregoing, it shall be a condition to the Executive's right to receive the amounts provided for in Sections 4(b) and 4(c) hereof that the Executive execute and deliver to the Company an effective release of claims in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "Release") within twenty-one (21) days (or, to the extent required by law, forty-five (45) days) following the Date of Termination and that the Executive not revoke such Release during any applicable revocation period. For the avoidance of doubt, all equity awards eligible for accelerated vesting pursuant to this Section 4 shall remain outstanding and eligible to vest following the Date of Termination and shall actually vest and become exercisable (if applicable) and non-forfeitable upon the effectiveness of the Release.

(e) Exclusive Remedy. In the event of a termination of Executive's employment with the Company, Executive's sole remedy shall be to receive the payments and benefits described in this Section 4. In addition, Executive acknowledges and agrees that she is not entitled to any reimbursement by the Company for any taxes payable by Executive as a result of the payments and benefits received by Executive pursuant to this Section 4, including, without limitation, any excise tax imposed by Section 4999 of the Code. Any payments made to Executive under this Section 4 shall be inclusive of any amounts or benefits to which Executive may be entitled pursuant to the Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act, 29 U.S.C. Sections 2101 et seq., and the Department of Labor regulations thereunder, or any similar state statute.

5. Covenants.

(a) In connection with her commencement of employment, Executive shall enter into the Company's standard form of agreement containing confidentiality, intellectual property assignment and other protective covenants (the "Restrictive Covenant Agreement"), which is attached hereto as Exhibit B. Executive shall be bound by the terms and conditions of the Restrictive Covenant Agreement, and hereby agrees that such agreement shall be additional to, and not in limitation of, the covenants contained in this Section 5.

(b) Executive shall hold in a fiduciary capacity for the benefit of the Company all secret or confidential information, knowledge or data relating to the Company and its subsidiaries and affiliates, which shall have been obtained by Executive in connection with Executive's employment by the Company and which shall not be or become public knowledge (other than by acts by Executive or representatives of Executive in violation of this Agreement). After termination of Executive's employment with the Company, Executive shall not, without the prior written consent of the Company or as may otherwise be required by law or legal process, communicate or divulge any such information, knowledge or data, to anyone other than the Company and those designated by it; *provided, however*, that if Executive receives actual notice that Executive is or may be required by law or legal process to communicate or divulge any such information, knowledge or data, Executive shall promptly so notify the Company.

(c) While employed by the Company, Executive shall not be engaged in any other business activity that would be competitive with the business of the Company and its subsidiaries or affiliates. In addition, while employed by the Company and for a period of twelve (12) months after the Date of Termination, Executive shall not directly or indirectly solicit, induce, or encourage any employee or consultant of the Company and/or its subsidiaries and affiliates to terminate their employment or other relationship with the Company and its subsidiaries and affiliates or to cease to render services to the Company and/or its subsidiaries and affiliates and Executive shall not initiate discussion with any such person for any such purpose or authorize or knowingly cooperate with the taking of any such actions by any other individual or entity except, in each case, to the extent the foregoing occurs as a result of general advertisements or other solicitations not specifically targeted to such employees and consultants.

(d) Subject to Section 1(f), during Executive's service with the Company and thereafter, excepting any litigation between the Parties, (i) Executive agrees not to publish or disseminate, directly or indirectly, any statements, whether written or oral, that are or could be harmful to or reflect negatively on any of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates, or that are otherwise disparaging of any policies, procedures, practices, decision-making, conduct, professionalism or compliance with standards of the Company, its affiliates or any of their past or present officers, directors, employees, advisors or agents, and (ii) the Company agrees to instruct its directors and executive officers not to publish or disseminate, directly or indirectly, any statements, whether written or oral, that are or could be harmful to or reflect negatively on Executive's personal or business reputation or business.

(e) In recognition of the fact that irreparable injury will result to the Company in the event of a breach by Executive of her obligations under Sections 5(a)-(d) hereof, that monetary damages for such breach would not be readily calculable, and that the Company would not have an adequate remedy at law therefor, Executive acknowledges, consents and agrees that in the event of such breach, or the threat thereof, the Company shall be entitled, in addition to any other legal remedies and damages available, to specific performance thereof and to temporary and permanent injunctive relief (without the necessity of posting a bond) to restrain the violation or threatened violation of such obligations by Executive and to cease the payment of any benefits under Section 4(b) or (c) above.

(f) Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement or the Restrictive Covenant Agreement to the contrary, nothing contained in this Agreement shall prohibit either party (or either party's attorney(s)) from (i) communicating directly with, filing a charge with, reporting possible violations of federal law or regulation to, participating in any investigation by, or cooperating with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, the National Labor Relations Board (the "NLRB"), the Occupational Safety and Health

Administration, the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission, the U.S. Department of Justice or any other securities regulatory agency, self-regulatory authority or federal, state or local regulatory authority (collectively, "Government Agencies"), or making other disclosures that are protected under the whistleblower provisions of applicable law or regulation, (ii) communicating directly with, cooperating with, or providing information (including trade secrets) in confidence to any Government Agencies for the purpose of reporting or investigating a suspected violation of law, or from providing such information to such party's attorney(s) or in a sealed complaint or other document filed in a lawsuit or other governmental proceeding, and/or (iii) receiving an award for information provided to any Government Agency. Further, nothing herein will prevent Executive from participating in activity permitted by Section 7 of the National Labor Relations Act or from filing an unfair labor practice charge with the NLRB. Pursuant to 18 USC Section 1833(b), Executive will not be held criminally or civilly liable under any federal or state trade secret law for the disclosure of a trade secret that is made: (x) in confidence to a federal, state, or local government official, either directly or indirectly, or to an attorney, and solely for the purpose of reporting or investigating a suspected violation of law; or (y) in a complaint or other document filed in a lawsuit or other proceeding, if such filing is made under seal. Further, nothing in this Agreement is intended to or shall preclude either party from providing truthful testimony in response to a valid subpoena, court order, regulatory request or other judicial, administrative, or legal process or otherwise as required by law. If Executive is required to provide testimony, then unless otherwise directed or requested by a Government Agency or law enforcement, Executive shall notify the Company as soon as reasonably practicable after receiving any such request of the anticipated testimony. Further, nothing in this Agreement prevents Executive from discussing or disclosing information about unlawful acts in the workplace, such as harassment or discrimination or any other conduct that Executive has reason to believe is unlawful.

6. Assignment and Successors.

The Company may assign its rights and obligations under this Agreement to any successor to all or substantially all of the business or the assets of the Company (by merger or otherwise). This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Company, Executive and their respective successors, assigns, personal and legal representatives, executors, administrators, heirs, distributees, devisees, and legatees, as applicable. None of Executive's rights or obligations may be assigned or transferred by Executive, other than Executive's rights to payments hereunder, which may be transferred only by will or operation of law. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Executive shall be entitled, to the extent permitted under applicable law and applicable Company Arrangements, to select and change a beneficiary or beneficiaries to receive compensation hereunder following Executive's death by giving written notice thereof to the Company.

7. Certain Definitions.

(a) Cause. The Company shall have "Cause" to terminate Executive's employment hereunder upon:

(i) the continued failure by Executive to substantially perform Executive's duties with the Company (other than any such failure resulting from incapacity due to physical or mental illness), after a written demand for substantial performance is delivered to Executive by the Company or an affiliate that specifically identifies the alleged manner in which Executive has not substantially performed Executive's duties and after Executive has been provided with a thirty (30) day cure period, or Executive's deliberate violation of a Company policy;

(ii) the engaging by Executive in illegal conduct or misconduct (including fraud, embezzlement, theft or dishonesty or material violation of any Company policy), or gross negligence, in any case that has caused or is reasonably expected to result in injury to the Company or any affiliate;

(iii) Executive's commission of, or plea of no contest to, a felony or any misdemeanor crime involving fraud, moral turpitude or dishonesty;

(iv) Executive's material breach of any written agreement or restrictive covenants with the Company; or

(v) Executive's violation of any law, rule or regulation relating in any way to the business or activities of the Company or any affiliate, or other law, rule or regulation that is violated, during the course of Executive's performance of services hereunder that results in Executive's regulatory suspension or disqualification, including, without limitation, the Generic Drug Enforcement Act of 1992, 21 U.S.C. § 335(a), or any similar legislation applicable in the United States or in any other country where the Company or any affiliate intends to develop its activities.

No action or inaction based upon direction of the Board or advice of counsel to the Company shall constitute Cause. Poor performance shall not, in and of itself, constitute Cause. No termination of Executive's employment for Cause shall occur absent a resolution of the Board and the reasonable opportunity for Executive (with Executive's counsel) to be heard before the Board.

(b) Change in Control. "Change in Control" shall have the meaning set forth in the Company's 2024 Incentive Award Plan.

(c) Code. "Code" shall mean the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the regulations and guidance promulgated thereunder.

(d) Date of Termination. "Date of Termination" shall mean (i) if Executive's employment is terminated by Executive's death, the date of Executive's death; or (ii) if Executive's employment is terminated pursuant to Sections 1(a)(ii)-(vi) either the date indicated in the Notice of Termination or the date specified by the Company pursuant to Section(b), whichever is earlier.

(e) Disability. "Disability" shall mean, at any time the Company sponsors a long-term disability plan for the Company's employees, "disability" as defined in such long-term disability plan for the purpose of determining a participant's eligibility for benefits, *provided, however*, if the long-term disability plan contains multiple definitions of disability, "Disability" shall refer to that definition of disability which, if Executive qualified for such disability benefits, would provide coverage for the longest period of time. The determination of whether Executive has a Disability shall be made by the person or persons required to make disability determinations under the long-term disability plan. At any time the Company does not sponsor a long-term disability plan for its employees, "Disability" shall mean Executive's inability to perform, with reasonable accommodation, the essential functions of Executive's positions hereunder for a total of one hundred eighty (180) days within a twelve (12) month period as a result of incapacity due to mental or physical illness as determined by a physician selected by the Company or its insurers and acceptable to Executive or Executive's legal representative, with such agreement as to acceptability not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed. Any refusal by Executive to submit to a medical examination for the purpose of determining Disability shall be deemed to constitute conclusive evidence of Executive's Disability.

(f) Good Reason. For the sole purpose of determining Executive's right to severance payments and benefits as described above, Executive's resignation will be with "Good Reason" if Executive resigns within one hundred twenty (120) days after any of the following events, unless Executive expressly consents in writing to the applicable event: (i) a reduction in Executive's Annual Base Salary or Target Bonus, other than a reduction of less than ten percent (10%) (aggregating all prior reductions) that is implemented in connection with a contemporaneous reduction in annual base salaries affecting other senior executives of the Company; (ii) a material decrease in Executive's authority or areas of responsibility as are commensurate with Executive's title or position with the Company; (iii) the relocation of Executive's primary working location to a location that is more than fifty (50) miles from Executive's home office in the Philadelphia, Pennsylvania metropolitan area as of the Effective Date; or (iv) the Company's breach of a material provision of this Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no Good Reason will have occurred unless and until: (a) Executive has provided the Company, within sixty (60) days of Executive's knowledge of the occurrence of the facts and circumstances underlying the Good Reason event, written notice stating with specificity the applicable facts and circumstances underlying such finding of Good Reason; (b) the Company has had an opportunity to cure the same within thirty (30) days after the receipt of such notice; and (c) the Company shall have failed to so cure within such period.

8. Parachute Payments.

(a) Best Pay Provision. In the event that any payment or benefit received or to be received by Executive pursuant to the terms of any plan, arrangement or agreement (including any payment or benefit received in connection with a change in ownership or control or the termination of Executive's employment) (all such payments and benefits being hereinafter referred to as the "Total Payments") would be subject (in whole or part) to the excise tax (the "Excise Tax") imposed under Section 4999 of the Code, then the Total Payments shall be reduced to the extent necessary so that no portion of the Total Payments is subject to the Excise Tax but only if (i) the net amount of such Total Payments, as so reduced (after subtracting the amount of federal, state and local income taxes on such reduced Total Payments and after taking into account the phase out of itemized deductions and personal exemptions attributable to such reduced Total Payments) is greater than or equal to (ii) the net amount of such Total Payments without such reduction (after subtracting the net amount of federal, state and local income taxes on such Total Payments and the amount of Excise Tax to which Executive would be subject in respect of such unreduced Total Payments and after taking into account the phase out of itemized deductions and personal exemptions attributable to such unreduced Total Payments); provided, however, that this sentence shall not apply if, immediately before the change in ownership or control on which such Total Payments are contingent or otherwise relate, no stock in the Company is readily tradeable on an established securities market or otherwise (as determined in accordance with Treasury Reg. Section 1.280G-1 Q&A 6). Except to the extent that an alternative reduction order would result in a greater economic benefit to Executive on an after-tax basis, the Parties intend that the Total Payments shall be reduced in the following order: (w) reduction of any cash severance payments otherwise payable to Executive that are exempt from Section 409A of the Code, (x) reduction of any other cash payments or benefits otherwise payable to Executive that are exempt from Section 409A of the Code, but excluding any payment attributable to the acceleration of vesting or payment with respect to any equity award that is exempt from Section 409A of the Code, (y) reduction of any other payments or benefits otherwise payable to Executive on a pro-rata basis or such other manner that complies with Section 409A of the Code, but excluding any payment attributable to the acceleration of vesting and payment with respect to any equity award that is exempt from Section 409A of the Code, and (z) reduction of any payments attributable to the acceleration of vesting or payment with respect to any equity award that is exempt from Section 409A of the Code; provided, in case of clauses (x), (y) and (z), that reduction of any payments or benefits attributable to the acceleration of vesting of Company equity awards shall be first applied to equity awards with later vesting dates; provided, further, that, notwithstanding the foregoing, any such reduction shall be undertaken in a manner that complies with and does not result in the imposition of additional taxes on Executive under Section 409A of the Code. The foregoing reductions shall be made in a manner that results in the maximum economic benefit to Executive on an after-tax basis and, to the extent economically equivalent payments or benefits are subject to reduction, in a pro rata manner.

(b) Determinations. All determinations regarding the application of this Section 8 shall be made by an independent accounting firm or consulting group with nationally recognized standing and substantial expertise and experience in performing calculations regarding the applicability of Section 280G of the Code and the Excise Tax retained by the Company prior to the date of the applicable change in ownership or control (the “280G Firm”). For purposes of determining whether and the extent to which the Total Payments will be subject to the Excise Tax, (i) no portion of the Total Payments shall be taken into account which (x) does not constitute a “parachute payment” within the meaning of Section 280G(b)(2) of the Code (including by reason of Section 280G(b)(4)(A) of the Code) and, in calculating the Excise Tax, or (y) constitutes reasonable compensation for services actually rendered, within the meaning of Section 280G(b)(4)(B) of the Code, in excess of the “base amount” (as defined in Section 280G(b)(3) of the Code) allocable to such reasonable compensation, (ii) no portion of the Total Payments the receipt or enjoyment of which Executive shall have waived at such time and in such manner as not to constitute a “payment” within the meaning of Section 280G(b) of the Code shall be taken into account, and (iii) the value of any non-cash benefit or any deferred payment or benefit included in the Total Payments shall be determined by the 280G Firm in accordance with the principles of Sections 280G(d)(3) and (4) of the Code. All determinations related to the calculations to be performed pursuant to this “Section 280G Treatment” section shall be done by the 280G Firm. The 280G Firm will be directed to submit its determination and detailed supporting calculations to both Executive and the Company within fifteen (15) days after notification from either the Company or Executive that Executive may receive payments which may be “parachute payments.” Executive and the Company will each provide the 280G Firm access to and copies of any books, records, and documents as may be reasonably requested by the 280G Firm, and otherwise cooperate with the 280G Firm in connection with the preparation and issuance of the determinations and calculations contemplated by this Agreement. The fees and expenses of the 280G Firm for its services in connection with the determinations and calculations contemplated by this Agreement will be borne solely by the Company.

(c) Exception. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if any portion of the Total Payments would not be subject to the Excise Tax if the stockholder approval requirements of Section 280G(b)(5) of the Code are satisfied, subject to Executive’s waiver of the rights to such portion of the Total Payments above the safe harbor threshold in accordance with and to the extent required by Section 280G of the Code with respect to any portion of the Total Payments that would otherwise be subject to excise tax imposed by Section 4999 of the Code (before giving effect to any reduction in the Total Payments contemplated above), the Company shall use its reasonable best efforts to cause such payments to be submitted for such approval prior to the event giving rise to such payments. To the extent the Company submits any payment or benefit payable to Executive under this Agreement or otherwise to the Company’s stockholders for approval in accordance with Treasury Reg. Section 1.280G-1 Q&A 7, the foregoing provisions under this Section 8 shall not apply following such submission and such payments and benefits will be treated in accordance with the results of such vote, except that any reduction in, or waiver above the safe harbor threshold of, such payments or benefits required by such vote will be applied without any application of discretion by Executive and in the order prescribed in Section 8(a).

9. Miscellaneous Provisions.

(a) Governing Law and Venue. This Agreement shall be governed, construed, interpreted and enforced in accordance with its express terms, and otherwise in accordance with the substantive laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania without reference to the principles of conflicts of law of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or any other jurisdiction that would result in the application of the laws of a jurisdiction other than the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and where applicable, the laws of the United States. Any suit brought hereon shall be brought in the state or federal courts sitting in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the parties hereto hereby waiving any claim or defense that such forum is not convenient or proper. Each party hereby agrees that any such court shall have in personam jurisdiction over it and consents to service of process in any manner authorized by Pennsylvania law.

(b) Validity. The invalidity or unenforceability of any provision or provisions of this Agreement shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provision of this Agreement, which shall remain in full force and effect.

(c) Notices. Any notice, request, claim, demand, document, and other communication hereunder to any Party shall be effective upon receipt (or refusal of receipt) and shall be in writing and delivered personally or sent by facsimile, email or certified or registered mail, postage prepaid, as follows:

- (i) If to the Company, to the CEO of the Company at the Company's headquarters,
- (ii) If to Executive, to the last address that the Company has in its personnel records for Executive, or
- (iii) At any other address as any Party shall have specified by notice in writing to the other Party.

(d) Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, but all of which together will constitute one and the same Agreement. Signatures delivered by facsimile or PDF shall be deemed effective for all purposes.

(e) Entire Agreement. The terms of this Agreement, the Restrictive Covenant Agreement incorporated herein by reference as set forth in Section 5, and any Release are intended by the Parties to be the final expression of their agreement with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersede all prior understandings and agreements, whether written or oral, including any prior employment offer letter or employment agreement, between Executive and the Company. The Parties further intend that this Agreement, the Restrictive Covenant Agreement incorporated herein by reference as set forth in Section 5, and any Release shall constitute the complete and exclusive statement of their terms and that no extrinsic evidence whatsoever may be introduced in any judicial, administrative, or other legal proceeding to vary the terms of such agreements.

(f) Amendments; Waivers. This Agreement may not be modified, amended, or terminated except by an instrument in writing, signed by Executive and a duly authorized officer of Company. By an instrument in writing similarly executed, Executive or a duly authorized officer of the Company may waive compliance by the other Party with any specifically identified provision of this Agreement that such other Party was or is obligated to comply with or perform; *provided, however*, that such waiver shall not operate as a waiver of, or estoppel with respect to, any other or subsequent failure. No failure to exercise and no delay in exercising any right, remedy, or power hereunder will preclude any other or further exercise of any other right, remedy, or power provided herein or by law or in equity.

(g) Construction. This Agreement shall be deemed drafted equally by both the Parties. Its language shall be construed as a whole and according to its fair meaning. Any presumption or principle that the language is to be construed against any Party shall not apply. The headings in this Agreement are only for convenience and are not intended to affect construction or interpretation. Any references to paragraphs, subparagraphs, sections, or subsections are to those parts of this Agreement, unless the context clearly indicates to the contrary. Also, unless the context clearly indicates to the contrary, (i) the plural includes the singular and the singular includes the plural; (ii) “and” and “or” are each used both conjunctively and disjunctively; (iii) “any,” “all,” “each,” or “every” means “any and all,” and “each and every”; (iv) “includes” and “including” are each “without limitation”; (v) “herein,” “hereof,” “hereunder” and other similar compounds of the word “here” refer to the entire Agreement and not to any particular paragraph, subparagraph, section or subsection; and (vi) all pronouns and any variations thereof shall be deemed to refer to the masculine, feminine, neuter, singular or plural as the identity of the entities or persons referred to may require.

(h) Arbitration. In the event of any dispute or claim relating to, or arising out of Executive’s employment relationship with the Company or its affiliates, including, but not limited, claims of wrongful termination, age, race, gender, disability or other discrimination—but not including claims for sexual harassment or sexual assault—Executive and the Company agree that all such disputes shall be fully and finally resolved by binding arbitration conducted before a single neutral arbitrator pursuant to the rules for arbitration of employment disputes by the American Arbitration Association (available at www.adr.org) in Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania. The arbitrator shall permit adequate discovery and is empowered to award all remedies otherwise available in a court of competent jurisdiction, and any judgment rendered by the arbitrator may be entered by any court of competent jurisdiction. The arbitrator shall issue an award in writing and state the essential findings and conclusions of law on which the award is based. By executing this Agreement, the Parties are both waiving the right to a jury trial with respect to any such disputes. The Company shall bear the costs of the arbitrator, forum and filing fees. Each Party shall bear its own respective attorney fees and all other costs, unless provided by law and awarded by the arbitrator.

(i) Enforcement. If any provision of this Agreement is held to be illegal, invalid or unenforceable under present or future laws effective during the Term, such provision shall be fully severable; this Agreement shall be construed and enforced as if such illegal, invalid or unenforceable provision had never comprised a portion of this Agreement; and the remaining provisions of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect and shall not be affected by the illegal, invalid or unenforceable provision or by its severance from this Agreement. Furthermore, in lieu of such illegal, invalid, or unenforceable provision there shall be added automatically as part of this Agreement a provision as similar in terms to such illegal, invalid, or unenforceable provision as may be possible and be legal, valid and enforceable.

(j) Withholding. The Company shall be entitled to withhold from any amounts payable under this Agreement any federal, state, local or foreign withholding or other taxes or charges which the Company is required to withhold. The Company shall be entitled to rely on the advice of counsel if any questions as to the amount or requirement of withholding arise.

(k) Section 409A.

(i) *General*. The intent of the Parties is that the payments and benefits under this Agreement comply with or be exempt from Section 409A and, accordingly, to the maximum extent permitted, this Agreement shall be interpreted to be in compliance therewith. If the Company and Executive agree in good faith that the payments and benefits under this Agreement would not comply with Section 409A, the Parties hereto shall reasonably and in good faith attempt to modify this Agreement to comply with Section 409A while endeavoring to maintain the intended economic benefits hereunder.

(ii) *Separation from Service*. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, (A) any compensation or benefits payable under this Agreement that is designated under this Agreement as payable upon Executive's termination of employment shall be payable only upon Executive's "separation from service" with the Company within the meaning of Section 409A (a "Separation from Service") and (B) in the event that, with respect to the amounts payable under Sections 4(b) or 4(c), the timing of the delivery of Executive's Release could cause such amounts to begin in one or another taxable year, to the extent such amounts are subject to Section 409A, then notwithstanding the payment timing set forth in such Sections, such amounts shall not be payable until the later of (1) the payment date specified in such Section or (2) the first business day of the taxable year following Executive's Separation from Service.

(iii) *Specified Employee*. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, if Executive is deemed by the Company at the time of Executive's Separation from Service to be a "specified employee" for purposes of Section 409A, to the extent delayed commencement of any portion of the benefits to which Executive is entitled under this Agreement is required in order to avoid a prohibited distribution under Section 409A, such portion of Executive's benefits shall not be provided to Executive prior to the earlier of (x) the expiration of the six-month period measured from the date of Executive's Separation from Service with the Company or (y) the date of Executive's death. Upon the first business day following the expiration of the applicable Section 409A period, all payments deferred pursuant to the preceding sentence shall be paid in a lump sum to Executive (or Executive's estate or beneficiaries), and any remaining payments due to Executive under this Agreement shall be paid as otherwise provided herein.

(iv) *Expense Reimbursements*. To the extent that any reimbursements under this Agreement are subject to Section 409A, (A) any such reimbursements payable to Executive shall be paid to Executive no later than December 31 of the year following the year in which the expense was incurred, (B) Executive shall submit Executive's reimbursement request promptly following the date the expense is incurred, (C) the amount of expenses reimbursed in one year shall not affect the amount eligible for reimbursement in any subsequent year, other than medical expenses referred to in Section 105(b) of the Code, and (D) Executive's right to reimbursement under this Agreement will not be subject to liquidation or exchange for another benefit.

(v) *Installments*. Executive's right to receive any installment payments under this Agreement, including without limitation any continuation salary payments that are payable on Company payroll dates, shall be treated as a right to receive a series of separate payments and, accordingly, each such installment payment shall at all times be considered a separate and distinct payment as permitted under Section 409A. Except as otherwise permitted under Section 409A, no payment hereunder shall be accelerated or deferred unless such acceleration or deferral would not result in additional tax or interest pursuant to Section 409A.

(l) *Survival*. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, the provisions of Sections 5 through 9 will survive the termination of Executive's employment and the termination of the Term.

10. Executive Acknowledgement.

Executive acknowledges that Executive has read and understands this Agreement, is fully aware of its legal effect, has not acted in reliance upon any representations or promises made by the Company other than those contained in writing herein, and has entered into this Agreement freely based on Executive's own judgment.

[Signature Page Follows]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement on the date and year first above written.

CG ONCOLOGY, INC.

By: /s/Arthur Kuan
Name: Arthur Kuan
Title: Chief Executive Officer

EXECUTIVE

/s/Corleen Roche
Print Name: Corleen Roche

[Signature Page to Employment Agreement]

EXHIBIT A

SEPARATION AGREEMENT AND RELEASE

This Separation Agreement and Release ("Agreement") is made by and between Corleen Roche ("Executive") and CG Oncology, Inc. (the "Company") (collectively referred to as the "Parties" or individually referred to as a "Party"). Capitalized terms used but not defined in this Agreement shall have the meanings set forth in the Employment Agreement (as defined below).

WHEREAS, the Parties have previously entered into that certain Employment Agreement, effective as of January 16, 2024 (the "Employment Agreement") and that certain Restrictive Covenant Agreement (as defined in the Employment Agreement); and

WHEREAS, in connection with Executive's termination of employment with the Company or a subsidiary or affiliate of the Company effective [____], 20[___], the Parties wish to resolve any and all disputes, claims, complaints, grievances, charges, actions, petitions, and demands that Executive may have against the Company and any of the Releases as defined below, including, but not limited to, any and all claims arising out of or in any way related to Executive's employment with or separation from the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliates but, for the avoidance of doubt, nothing herein will be deemed to release any rights or remedies in connection with Executive's ownership of vested equity securities of the Company, vested benefits or Executive's right to indemnification or liability insurance by the Company or any of its affiliates pursuant to contract or applicable law (collectively, the "Retained Claims").

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the severance payments and benefits described in Section 4 of the Employment Agreement, which, pursuant to the Employment Agreement, are conditioned on Executive's execution and non-revocation of this Agreement, and in consideration of the mutual promises made herein, the Company and Executive hereby agree as follows:

1. Severance Payments and Benefits: Salary and Benefits. The Company agrees to provide Executive with the severance payments and benefits described in Section 4 of the Employment Agreement, payable at the times set forth in, and subject to the terms and conditions of, the Employment Agreement. In addition, to the extent not already paid, and subject to the terms and conditions of the Employment Agreement, the Company shall pay or provide to Executive the Accrued Obligations described in Section 1(c) of the Employment Agreement, subject to and in accordance with the terms thereof.

2. Release of Claims. Executive agrees that, other than with respect to the Retained Claims, the foregoing consideration represents settlement in full of all outstanding obligations owed to Executive by the Company, any of its direct or indirect subsidiaries, and any of its or their current and former officers, directors, equity holders, managers, employees, agents, investors, attorneys, shareholders, administrators, affiliates, benefit plans, plan administrators, insurers, trustees, divisions, and subsidiaries and predecessor and successor corporations and assigns (collectively, the "Releasees") related to Executive's employment with the Company or its subsidiaries or termination therefrom. Executive, on Executive's own behalf and on behalf of any of Executive's affiliated companies or entities and any of their respective heirs, family members, executors, agents, and assigns, other than with respect to the Retained Claims, hereby and forever releases the Releasees from, and agrees not to sue concerning, or in any manner to institute, prosecute, or pursue, any claim, complaint, charge, duty, obligation, or cause of action relating to any matters of any kind, whether presently known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected, that Executive may possess against any of the Releasees arising from any omissions, acts, facts, or damages that have occurred up until and including the date Executive signs this Agreement relating to Executive's employment with the Company or its subsidiaries or termination therefrom, including, without limitation:

(a) any and all claims relating to or arising from Executive's employment or service relationship with the Company or any of its direct or indirect subsidiaries and the termination of that relationship;

(b) any and all claims relating to, or arising from, Executive's right to purchase, or actual purchase of any shares of stock or other equity interests of the Company or any of its affiliates, including, without limitation, any claims for fraud, misrepresentation, breach of fiduciary duty, breach of duty under applicable state law, and securities fraud under any state or federal law;

(c) any and all claims for wrongful discharge of employment; termination in violation of public policy; discrimination; harassment; retaliation; breach of contract, both express and implied; breach of covenant of good faith and fair dealing, both express and implied; promissory estoppel; negligent or intentional infliction of emotional distress; fraud; negligent or intentional misrepresentation; negligent or intentional interference with contract or prospective economic advantage; unfair business practices; defamation; libel; slander; negligence; personal injury; assault; battery; invasion of privacy; false imprisonment; conversion; and disability benefits;

(d) any and all claims for violation of any federal, state, or municipal statute, including, but not limited to, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; the Civil Rights Act of 1991; the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990; the Equal Pay Act; the Fair Labor Standards Act; the Fair Credit Reporting Act; the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967; the Older Workers Benefit Protection Act; the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974; the Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act; the Family and Medical Leave Act; the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002; the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act; and the Pennsylvania Whistleblower Law, each as amended, or any other federal, state or local statute or ordinance;

(e) any and all claims for violation of the federal or any state constitution;

(f) any and all claims arising out of any other laws and regulations relating to employment or employment discrimination;

(g) any claim for any loss, cost, damage, or expense arising out of any dispute over the non-withholding or other tax treatment of any of the proceeds received by Executive as a result of this Agreement;

(h) any and all claims arising out of the wage and hour and wage payments laws and regulations of the state or states in which Executive has provided service to the Company or any of its affiliates; and

(i) any and all claims for attorneys' fees and costs.

EXECUTIVE ACKNOWLEDGES THAT EXECUTIVE HAS BEEN ADVISED BY LEGAL COUNSEL AND IS FAMILIAR WITH THE PROVISIONS OF CALIFORNIA CIVIL CODE SECTION 1542, WHICH PROVIDES AS FOLLOWS:

"A GENERAL RELEASE DOES NOT EXTEND TO CLAIMS THAT THE CREDITOR OR RELEASING PARTY DOES NOT KNOW OR SUSPECT TO EXIST IN HIS OR HER FAVOR AT THE TIME OF EXECUTING THE RELEASE AND THAT, IF KNOWN BY HIM OR HER, WOULD HAVE MATERIALLY AFFECTED HIS OR HER SETTLEMENT WITH THE DEBTOR OR RELEASED PARTY."

EXECUTIVE, BEING AWARE OF SAID CODE SECTION, HEREBY EXPRESSLY WAIVES ANY RIGHTS EXECUTIVE MAY HAVE THEREUNDER, AS WELL AS UNDER ANY OTHER STATUTES OR COMMON LAW PRINCIPLES OF SIMILAR EFFECT.

Executive agrees that the release set forth in this section shall be and remain in effect in all respects as a complete general release as to the matters released. This release does not release claims that cannot be released as a matter of law, including, but not limited to, Executive's right to report possible violations of federal law or regulation to any governmental agency or entity in accordance with the provisions of and rules promulgated under Section 21F of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 806 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, or any other whistleblower protection provisions of state or federal law or regulation and any right to receive an award for information provided thereunder, Executive's right to file a charge with or participate in a charge by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, or any other local, state, or federal administrative body or government agency that is authorized to enforce or administer laws related to employment, against the Company for discrimination (with the understanding that Executive's release of claims herein bars Executive from recovering such monetary relief from the Company or any Releasee for any alleged discriminatory treatment), claims for unemployment compensation or any state disability insurance benefits pursuant to the terms of applicable state law, claims to continued participation in certain of the Company's group benefit plans pursuant to the terms and conditions of COBRA, claims for indemnity under the bylaws of the Company, as provided for by Pennsylvania or Delaware law or under any applicable insurance policy with respect to Executive's liability as an employee, director or officer of the Company, claims to any benefit entitlements vested as the date of separation of Executive's employment, pursuant to written terms of any employee benefit plan of the Company or its affiliates and Executive's right under applicable law and any Retained Claims. This release further does not release claims for breach of Section 1(c) or Section 4 of the Employment Agreement. This release does not prevent Executive from cooperating with an investigation conducted by any such governmental agencies, including without limitation the National Labor Relations Board (the "NLRB"). Nothing herein will prevent Executive from participating in an activity permitted by Section 7 of the National Labor Relations Act or from filing an unfair labor practice charge with the NLRB.

3. Acknowledgment of Waiver of Claims under ADEA. Executive understands and acknowledges that Executive is waiving and releasing any rights Executive may have under the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 ("ADEA"), and that this waiver and release is knowing and voluntary. Executive understands and agrees that this waiver and release does not apply to any rights or claims that may arise under the ADEA after the date Executive signs this Agreement. Executive understands and acknowledges that the consideration given for this waiver and release is in addition to anything of value to which Executive was already entitled. Executive further understands and acknowledges that Executive has been advised by this writing that: (a) Executive has the right to and should consult with an attorney prior to executing this Agreement; (b) Executive has [twenty-one (21)] days within which to consider this Agreement, and the Parties agree that such time period to review this Agreement shall not be extended upon any material or immaterial changes to this Agreement; (c) Executive has seven (7) business days following Executive's execution of this Agreement to revoke this Agreement pursuant to written notice to the General Counsel of the Company; (d) this Agreement shall not be effective until after the revocation period has expired without revocation; and (e) nothing in this Agreement prevents or precludes Executive from challenging or seeking a determination in good faith of the validity of this waiver under the ADEA, nor does it impose any condition precedent, penalties, or costs for doing so, unless specifically authorized by federal law. In the event Executive signs this Agreement and returns it to the Company in less than the [twenty-one (21)] day period identified above, Executive hereby acknowledges that Executive has freely and voluntarily chosen to waive the time period allotted for considering this Agreement. To revoke this Agreement, Executive must notify the Company in writing sent to the Chief Executive Officer of the Company, and such revocation must be received no later than the seventh (7th) business day after Executive signs this Agreement.

4. Acknowledgement. Executive acknowledges her ongoing obligations under Section 5 of the Employment Agreement. Sections 5(e) and 5(f) of the Employment Agreement are hereby incorporated by reference and will apply to this Agreement as if set forth herein.

5. Severability. In the event that any provision or any portion of any provision hereof or any surviving agreement made a part hereof becomes or is declared by a court of competent jurisdiction or arbitrator to be illegal, unenforceable, or void, this Agreement shall continue in full force and effect without said provision or portion of provision.

6. No Oral Modification. This Agreement may only be amended in a writing signed by Executive and a duly authorized officer of the Company.

7. Governing Law; Dispute Resolution. This Agreement shall be subject to the provisions of Sections 1(a), 1(c), and (h) of the Employment Agreement.

8. Effective Date. Executive has seven (7) business days after Executive signs this Agreement to revoke it and this Agreement will become effective on the day immediately following the seventh business day after Executive signed this Agreement (the "Effective Date").

9. Voluntary Execution of Agreement. Executive understands and agrees that Executive executed this Agreement voluntarily, without any duress or undue influence on the part or behalf of the Company or any third party, with the full intent of releasing all of Executive's claims against the Company and any of the other Releasees. Executive acknowledges that: (a) Executive has read this Agreement; (b) Executive has not relied upon any representations or statements made by the Company that are not specifically set forth in this Agreement; (c) Executive has been represented in the preparation, negotiation, and execution of this Agreement by legal counsel of Executive's own choice or has elected not to retain legal counsel; (d) Executive understands the terms and consequences of this Agreement and of the releases it contains; and (e) Executive is fully aware of the legal and binding effect of this Agreement.

10. Entire Agreement. The terms of this Agreement, the Employment Agreement and the Restrictive Covenant Agreement are intended by the Parties to be the final expression of their agreement with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersede all prior understandings and agreements, whether written or oral, including any prior employment offer letter or employment agreement, between Executive and the Company. The Parties further intend that this Agreement, the Employment Agreement and the Restrictive Covenant Agreement shall constitute the complete and exclusive statement of their terms and that no extrinsic evidence whatsoever may be introduced in any judicial, administrative, or other legal proceeding to vary the terms of such agreements.

[Signature Page Follows]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement on the respective dates set forth below.

EXECUTIVE

Dated: _____

Print Name: Corleen Roche

CG ONCOLOGY, INC.

Dated: _____

By: _____
Name:
Title:

Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

We consent to the reference to our firm under the caption “Experts” and to the use of our report dated October 27, 2023 (except for the retroactive effect of the 1-for-9.535 reverse stock split as described in the seventh and eighth paragraphs of Note 14, as to which the date is January 18, 2024), in Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement (Form S-1 No. 333-276350) and related Prospectus of CG Oncology, Inc. for the registration of 11,800,000 shares of its common stock.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

Irvine, California
January 18, 2024

Calculation of Filing Fee Table

Form S-1

CG Oncology, Inc.

Table 1 - Newly Registered Securities

Security Type	Security Class Title	Fee Calculation Rule	Amount Registered ⁽¹⁾	Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Share	Maximum Aggregate Offering Price ⁽²⁾	Fee Rate	Amount of Registration Fee ⁽²⁾
Equity	Common Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share	Rule 457(a)	13,570,000	\$18.00	\$244,260,000	0.00014760	\$36,053
Total Offering Amounts				—	\$244,260,000	—	\$36,053
Total Fees Previously Paid				—	—	—	\$14,760
Total Fee Offsets				—	—	—	—
Net Fee Due				—	—	—	\$21,293

⁽¹⁾ Includes 1,770,000 shares of common stock that the underwriters have the option to purchase.

⁽²⁾ Estimated solely for the purpose of computing the amount of the registration fee pursuant to Rule 457(a) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.