UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): August 4, 2016

CATALYST BIOSCIENCES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 000-51173 (Commission File Number) 56-2020050 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

260 Littlefield Ave. South San Francisco, California (Address of principal executive offices)

94080 (Zip Code)

(650) 266–8674 Registrant's telephone number, including area code

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

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□ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On August 4, 2016, Catalyst Biosciences, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), announced its second quarter 2016 financial results. A copy of the Company's press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and incorporated by reference herein.

The information concerning financial results in this Form 8-K and in Exhibit 99.1 shall not be deemed to be "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section. The information concerning financial results in this Form 8-K and in Exhibit 99.1 shall not be incorporated into any registration statement or other document filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission by the company, whether made before or after the date hereof, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filing, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit <u>No.</u> Description

99.1 Press release issued on August 4, 2016 by Catalyst Biosciences, Inc.

SIGNATURES

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

Date: August 4, 2016

CATALYST BIOSCIENCES, INC.

/s/ Nassim Usman

Nassim Usman, Ph.D. President and Chief Executive Officer

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NEWS RELEASE

Catalyst Biosciences Reports Second Quarter 2016 Financial Results and Provides Corporate Update

— Phase 1 Proof-of-Concept Clinical Trial of High Potency Factor IX Product Subcutaneous Administration for Hemophilia B to Commence in the First Quarter 2017 —

— Manufacturing Agreement Established for CB 813d, Next-Generation Factor VIIa Product, in Preparation for a Trial of Subcutaneous Prophylaxis in Hemophilia A and B Inhibitor Patients to Commence in 2017 —

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, Calif. – August 4, 2016 – Catalyst Biosciences, Inc. (Nasdaq: CBIO), a clinical-stage biotechnology company focused on creating and developing novel protease therapeutics to treat serious medical conditions in the fields of hemostasis and anti-complement, today announced financial results for the second quarter ended June 30, 2016.

"During the second quarter, we made progress on our manufacturing preparations for CB 813d, our high potency next-generation Factor VIIa product candidate, signing an agreement with CMC Biologics for cGMP manufacturing," said Nassim Usman, Ph.D., Catalyst's President and Chief Executive Officer. "Early next year, our partner ISU Abxis in South Korea plans to initiate a Phase 1/2 proof of concept subcutaneous trial for CB 2679d (ISU 304) our high potency recombinant Factor IX product candidate for Hemophilia B. Following completion of the Phase 1/2 trial, Catalyst Biosciences will control the global development of and commercialization rights to CB 2679d outside of South Korea."

Recent Business Highlights

- Entered into a manufacturing agreement with CMC Biologics for the process transfer and cGMP manufacturing of CB 813d.
- Received patents covering the Company's hemostasis and anti-complement programs:
 - The hemostasis patents cover next-generation coagulation Factors VIIa (CB 813d) and Factor IX (CB 2679d/ISU304) in the U.S., Europe and South Korea.
 - The anti-complement patent covers novel protease technologies and proteases that target the complement cascade in the United States and Europe.
 - · Catalyst Biosciences' intellectual property portfolio now totals 103 patents issued world-wide.
- Announced appointments of Chief Medical Officer and VP of Business Development
 - Dr. Howard Levy appointed Chief Medical Officer. Dr. Levy has 25 years of pharmaceutical industry experience, with deep experience in hematology drug development and medicine.
 - Jeffrey Landau appointed VP of Business Development. Mr. Landau has worked in both small and large biotechnology companies with responsibilities for business development, in-licensing and strategic planning.



• Entered into a definitive sales agreement to sell TC-5619, TC-6987 and TC-6683 that represent a portion of the neural nicotinic receptor assets acquired from Targacept in the merger, for approximately \$1.0 million in upfront payments and the potential for future milestones and royalties.

Anticipated Milestones

- CB 2679d/ISU 304, the Company's high potency Factor IX for Hemophilia B, is expected to enter a Phase 1/2 proof of concept subcutaneous trial in the first quarter of 2017.
 - CB 2679d/ISU 304 is a high potency recombinant Factor IX in development for prophylaxis in patients with Hemophilia B.
 - The trial will be conducted by Catalyst's partner, ISU Abxis (KOSDAQ: 086890) in South Korea.
- CB 813d, the Company's next-generation high potency Factor VIIa for Hemophilia A and B inhibitor patients is expected to enter a subcutaneous prophylaxis trial in 2017.

Financial Results for the Second Quarter Ended June 30, 2016

- Contract revenue for the three months ended June 30, 2016 was \$0.1 million, compared to \$0.9 million for the prior year period. The decrease in contract revenue was due primarily to the termination of the collaboration agreement with Pfizer in June 2015.
- Research and development expense for the three months ended June 30, 2016, was \$2.8 million compared to \$1.3 million for the prior year period. The
 increase was due primarily to increased manufacturing expenses for CB 813d, personnel costs related to increased development activities and an
 increase in lab supply costs and costs related to preclinical third-party R&D service contracts.
- General and administrative expense for the three months ended June 30, 2016, was \$2.3 million compared to \$1.8 million for the prior year period. The increase was due primarily to an increase in personnel-related costs, other expenses related to operating as a public company and an increase in the cost of professional services.
- Interest and other income for the three months ended June 30, 2016 was \$0.1 million, compared to \$0.5 million for the comparable period in the prior year.
- Net loss for the three months ended June 30, 2016, was \$4.8 million, or (\$0.42) per basic and diluted share, compared to \$1.7 million, or (\$4.60) per basic and diluted share for the prior year period.
- Cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments as of June 30, 2016, were \$24.0 million. The company believes that its existing capital resources will be sufficient to meet its projected operating requirements for at least the next 12 months.

About Catalyst Biosciences

Catalyst is a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on creating and developing novel medicines to address serious medical conditions. To date, Catalyst has focused its product development efforts in the fields of hemostasis, including the treatment of hemophilia and surgical bleeding, and inflammation, including prevention of delayed graft function in renal transplants and the treatment of dry age-related macular degeneration, a condition that can cause visual impairment or blindness. Catalyst's most



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advanced program is an improved next-generation high potency coagulation Factor VIIa variant, CB 813d, that has successfully completed an intravenous Phase 1 clinical trial in severe hemophilia A and B patients. In addition to Catalyst's lead Factor VIIa program, Catalyst has two other next-generation coagulation factors, a high potency Factor IX variant, CB 2679d/ISU 304, that is in advanced preclinical development and Factor Xa variants that have demonstrated efficacy in preclinical models. For more information, please visit <u>www.catalystbiosciences.com</u>.

Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains forward-looking statements that involve substantial risks and uncertainties. All statements, other than statement of historical facts, included in this press release regarding our strategy, future operations, and plans are forward-looking statements. Examples of such statements include, but are not limited to, statements relating to ISU Abxis' plans with respect to CB/2679d/ISU 304, the ability of CMC to manufacture CB 813d, the potential success of manufacturing technology transfer to CMC, Catalyst's clinical trial timelines for CB 2679/ISU 304 and CB 813d, and the potential uses and benefits of CB 813d and CB2679d/ISU 304 and Catalyst's other products in development. Actual results or events could differ materially from the plans, intentions, expectations and projections disclosed in the forward-looking statements. Various important factors could cause actual results or events to differ materially from the plans, intentions, etcassful, that trials and studies may be delayed and may not have satisfactory outcomes, that potential adverse effects may arise from the testing or use of Catalyst's products, the risk that costs required to develop or manufacture Catalyst's products will be higher than anticipated, competition and other factors that affect our ability to successfully develop and commercialize our product candidates described in the "Risk Factors" section of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K and Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the SEC on March 9, 2016 and May 5, 2016, respectively. Catalyst does not assume any obligation to update any forward-looking statements, except as required by law.

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Catalyst Biosciences, Inc. Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (In thousands, except share and per share amounts)

	June 30, 2016 (Unaudited)	December 31, 2015	
Assets	(
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 11,333	\$ 29,096	
Short-term investments	12,617	3,402	
Restricted cash	30,395	33,794	
Deposits	5	133	
Accounts receivable	462	492	
Prepaid and other current assets	1,479	1,781	
Total current assets	56,291	68,698	
Restricted cash, noncurrent	125	125	
Property and equipment, net	803	698	
Total assets	\$ 57,219	\$ 69,521	
Liabilities and stockholders' equity			
Current liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$ 826	\$ 939	
Accrued compensation	682	926	
Other accrued liabilities	456	535	
Deposits	730		
Deferred revenue, current portion	437	438	
Deferred rent, current portion	30	19	
Redeemable convertible notes	30,344	33,743	
Derivative liability	130	1,156	
Total current liabilities	33,635	37,756	
Deferred revenue, noncurrent portion	73	292	
Deferred rent, noncurrent portion	29	48	
Total liabilities	33,737	38,096	
Stockholders' equity:			
Preferred stock, \$0.001 par value, 5,000,000 shares and 0 shares authorized and outstanding at June 30, 2016 and			
December 31, 2015;	_	_	
Common stock, \$0.001 par value, 100,000,000 shares authorized at June 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015;			
11,503,614 and 11,430,085 shares issued and outstanding at June 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015	12	11	
Additional paid-in capital	162,924	162,450	
Accumulated other comprehensive income	7	1	
Accumulated deficit	(139,461)	(131,037)	
Total stockholders' equity	23,482	31,425	
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 57,219	\$ 69,521	

Catalyst Biosciences, Inc. Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations (In thousands, except share and per share amounts) (Unaudited)

		Three Months Ended June 30,				Six Months Ended June 30,			
Contract revenue		2016			2016		2015		
	\$	109	\$	859	\$	219	\$	1,531	
Operating expenses:									
Research and development		2,752		1,322		5,046	-	2,705	
General and administrative		2,272		1,738		4,658	4	4,060	
Total operating expenses		5,024		3,060		9,704	(6,765	
Loss from operations		(4,915)	(2,201)		(9,485)	(:	5,234)	
Interest and other income, net		82		516		1,061		691	
Interest Expense		—		(39)				(39)	
Net loss	\$	(4,833)	\$ (1,724)	\$	(8,424)	\$ (4	4,582)	
Net loss per common share, basic and diluted	\$	(0.42)	\$	(4.60)	\$	(0.74)	\$ (12.26)	
Shares used to compute net loss per common share, basic and diluted	11	,447,069	37	4,764	11,	,438,588	37.	3,633	