## **UNITED STATES** SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

		Washington, D.C. 20549		
		FORM 8-K		
	O	CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934		
	Date of Report	(Date of earliest event reported): Septembe	er 8, 2021	
		YST BIOSCIENCES, act name of registrant as specified in its charter)	INC.	
	Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	000-51173 (Commission File Number)	56-2020050 (IRS Employer Identification No.)	
	611 Gate	eway Blvd, Suite 710, South San Francisco, CA 94080 (Address of principal executive offices)	0	
		(650) 871-0761 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)		
	(Fo)	Not Applicable rmer name or former address, if changed since last report.)		
	appropriate box below if the Form 8-K fili provisions:	ng is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obliga	ation of the registrant under any of the	
	Written communications pursuant to Ru	ale 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)		
	Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a	a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)		
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	Pre-commencement communications pu	ursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CI	FR 240.13e-4(c))	
Securities	registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the	Act:		
		Trading	Name of each eychange	

Title of each class	Symbol(s)	on which registered
Common Stock	CBIO	Nasdaq

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

Emerging growth company  $\square$ 

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

# Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On September 8, 2021, Catalyst Biosciences, Inc. ("Catalyst") announced that the Board of Directors of Catalyst (the "Board"), has appointed, effective as of September 9, 2021 (the "Effective Date"), Ms. Jeanne Y. Jew as a Class III director of Catalyst with a term to expire at the 2024 Annual Meeting of Stockholders. In connection with the appointment, the Board approved an increase in the size of the Board, from seven to eight members, effective as of the Effective Date.

Ms. Jeanne Y. Jew, 58 years old, has served as the Chief Business Officer of ALX Oncology Holdings Inc., a publicly traded company, since August 2020. Prior to joining ALX, she served as Senior Vice President, Business Development of Paratek Pharmaceuticals from July 2015 to March 2020. Previously, Ms. Jew served as Senior Vice President, Business Development for KaloBios Pharmaceuticals for seven years where she led business development, strategy, and market planning. Ms. Jew was Vice President, Corporate and Commercial Development at Onyx Pharmaceuticals from 2002 to 2007. Ms. Jew held business development positions at Coulter Pharmaceutical and became Vice President, Business Development following the acquisition of Coulter Pharmaceutical by Corixa Corporation. Earlier in her career, Ms. Jew also held business development positions at Scios, Inc. and Genentech, Inc. Ms. Jew holds a B.A.in Psychology from Wesleyan University and an M.B.A. from Cornell University. The Board believes that Ms. Jew is qualified to serve on the Board due to her significant experience in the biopharmaceutical industry.

There are no family relationships between Ms. Jew and any of Catalyst's directors or executive officers. In addition, there are no transactions between Catalyst and Ms. Jew that are subject to disclosure under Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K.

Ms. Jew will receive cash and equity compensation in accordance with Catalyst's current compensation practices for non-employee directors. She will also enter into an indemnification agreement with Catalyst consistent with the form agreement executed with each of Catalyst's current directors.

A copy of the press release announcing the appointment is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

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

(d) Exhibits

No.	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press Release dated September 8, 2021.
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (formatted as Inline XBRL).

## **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.

## CATALYST BIOSCIENCES, INC.

Date: September 8, 2021 /s/ Clinton Musil

Clinton Musil Chief Financial Officer



#### Catalyst Biosciences Announces Appointment of Jeanne Jew to its Board of Directors

Seasoned Biopharmaceutical Executive Adds Substantial Corporate Development Expertise

**SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, Calif. – September 8, 2021** – Catalyst Biosciences, Inc. (NASDAQ: CBIO) today announced the appointment of Jeanne Jew to its Board of Directors.

"We are delighted to welcome Jeanne to our Board of Directors. Jeanne's deep corporate development expertise will be a tremendous asset as we advance our Protease Medicines pipeline" said Nassim Usman, Ph.D., president and chief executive officer of Catalyst.

Ms. Jew commented, "I look forward to supporting the company's continued growth and working with the team on its strategic planning and business development initiatives. Catalyst's compelling and innovative portfolio of protease medicines address areas of significant unmet medical need for patients."

Ms. Jew brings more than 25 years of corporate development experience to her role. She has served as the Chief Business Officer of ALX Oncology Holdings, Inc., since August 2020. Ms. Jew also currently serves as a QB3 Executive Mentor to early-stage life science companies. Prior to joining ALX, she served for over a decade as Senior Vice President, Business Development of Paratek Pharmaceuticals, and as Senior Vice President, Business Development for KaloBios Pharmaceuticals where she led corporate development, strategy, and market planning. Ms. Jew was previously Vice President, Corporate and Commercial Development at Onyx Pharmaceuticals and was responsible for executing the company's co-promotion collaboration. Earlier in her career, Ms. Jew also held business development positions at Coulter Pharmaceutical, Scios, Inc. and Genentech, Inc. Ms. Jew holds a B.A.in Psychology from Wesleyan University and an M.B.A. from Cornell University.

### About Catalyst Biosciences, the Protease Medicines company

Catalyst is a research and clinical development biopharmaceutical company focused on addressing unmet medical needs in rare disorders of the complement and coagulation systems. Our protease engineering platform has generated two late-stage clinical programs, including MarzAA, a subcutaneously (SQ) administered next-generation engineered coagulation Factor VIIa (FVIIa) for the treatment of episodic bleeding in subjects with rare bleeding disorders. Our complement pipeline includes a preclinical C3-degrader program licensed to Biogen for dry age-related macular degeneration, an improved complement factor I protease for SQ replacement therapy in patients with CFI deficiency and proteases from our ProTUNE<sup>TM</sup> C3b-C4b degrader and ImmunoTUNE<sup>TM</sup> C3a-C5a degrader platforms designed to target specific disorders of the complement or inflammatory pathways as well as other complement programs in development.

## Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains forward-looking statements that involve substantial risks and uncertainties. Forward-looking statements include, without limitation, statements about the product candidates of Catalyst Biosciences, Inc. (the "Company") and the benefits of its protease engineering platform. 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, including, but not limited to, the risk that clinical trials and pre-clinical studies may be delayed as a result of COVID-19, competitive products and other factors, that clinical trials may not have satisfactory outcomes, that the Company's complement degraders are not yet in human clinical trials and will require additional manufacturing validation and pre-clinical testing before entering human clinical trials, that the Company may need to raise additional capital, and other risks described in the "Risk Factors" section of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") on March 4, 2021, the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the SEC on August 5, 2021, and in other filings filed from time to time with the SEC. The Company does not assume any obligation to update any forward-looking statements, except as required by law.

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