

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 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): **January 15, 2023**

Catalyst Biosciences, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

000-51173
(Commission File Number)

56-2020050
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

611 Gateway Blvd
Suite 120
South San Francisco, CA
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

94080
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(650) 871-0761**

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange 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

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

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

On January 15, 2023, Catalyst Biosciences, Inc. (the “Company”) terminated Grant Blouse Ph.D. from his position as the Chief Scientific Officer of the Company, effective as of January 15, 2023 (the “Effective Date”). In connection with his termination, Dr. Blouse is entitled to receive the severance payments that are provided for in his employment agreement with the Company, which have been previously described in the Company’s most recent proxy statement, along with other bonus payments previously disclosed by the Company in the Current Report on Form 8-K that was filed on December 27, 2022. Dr. Blouse has agreed to provide consulting services following the Effective Date to provide advice regarding the potential sale or license of the Company’s legacy hemophilia programs.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Description
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document).

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: January 19, 2023

By: /s/ Nassim Usman

Nassim Usman

President and Chief Executive Officer
