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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): July 11, 2022

**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.)

611 Gateway Blvd, Suite 710, South San Francisco, CA 94080  
(Address of principal executive offices)

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

Not Applicable  
(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:

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- 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 (Sec. 230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Sec. 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 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure**

On July 11, 2022, Dr. Savita Rangarajan delivered a presentation on the results of a partially completed Phase 3 clinical trial of MarzAA, Catalyst Biosciences, Inc.'s subcutaneously delivered next-generation FVIIa at the International Society on Thrombosis and Haemostasis Congress in London. A copy of the presentation is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

The information in this Item 7.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K (including Exhibit 99.1) is being furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section. The information in this Current Report shall not be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
<a href="#">99.1</a> 104	Presentation at the International Society on Thrombosis and Haemostasis Congress by Catalyst Biosciences, Inc. on July 11, 2022. 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: July 11, 2022

/s/ Nassim Usman

Nassim Usman, Ph.D.

President and Chief Executive Officer

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Nasdaq: CBIO

# CRIMSON 1

A PHASE 3 STUDY TO EVALUATE THE EFFICACY AND SAFETY OF SUBCUTANEOUS MARZEPTACOG ALFA (ACTIVATED) FOR ON-DEMAND TREATMENT OF BLEEDING EVENTS IN SUBJECTS WITH HEMOPHILIA A OR B, WITH INHIBITORS

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## Disclosures for Savita Rangarajan, MBBS, MD, FRCP, FRCPath

In compliance with COI policy, ISTH requires the following disclosures to the session audience:

<b>Research Support/P.I.</b>	<b>No relevant conflicts of interest to declare</b>
<b>Employee</b>	<b>No relevant conflicts of interest to declare</b>
<b>Consultant</b>	<b>Reliance Life Sciences</b>
<b>Major Stockholder</b>	<b>No relevant conflicts of interest to declare</b>
<b>Speakers Bureau</b>	<b>Takeda/Shire, Pfizer</b>
<b>Honoraria</b>	<b>No relevant conflicts of interest to declare</b>
<b>Scientific Advisory Board</b>	<b>Sanofi, Sigilon, Takeda</b>

THE SCIENCE OF TODAY IS THE INNOVATION OF TOMORROW



# Treatments for Bleeds in Patients with Hemophilia with Inhibitors

## Effective but Intravenous and Burdensome



- + Persons with Hemophilia A (HA) or Hemophilia B (HB) who develop inhibitors against FVIII or FIX, respectively, require bypassing agents (BPA) to treat bleeds
  
- + Subcutaneous emicizumab prophylaxis: approved for HA with inhibitors<sup>1,2</sup> but cannot be utilized for episodic bleed treatment
  
- + Standard of care BPAs—activated prothrombin complex concentrate (aPCC) and recombinant activated factor VII (rFVIIa)—both require intravenous (IV) administration
  - Need adequate venous access
  - aPCC may take approximately 45 minutes to infuse
  - rFVIIa may require multiple IV infusions to stop bleed
  
- + High treatment burden of IV BPAs<sup>3</sup> suggest unmet need for SC treatment of bleeds with efficacy that is at least on-par with SOC

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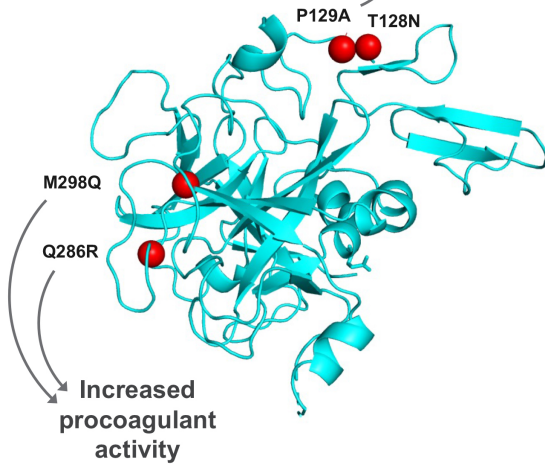


# Marzeptacog alfa (activated) – MarzAA: Extended $t_{1/2}$ , SC rFVIIa

## Addresses Unmet Need in Multiple Bleeding Disorders, Including Hemophilia with Inhibitors, for both Prophylactic and On-Demand Use



Additional glycan for increased bioavailability and shielding



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### 5- to 10-fold higher activity vs NovoSeven

- + Potency allows **low volume SC dosing** with **prolonged half-life**

### Preclinical efficacy of SC on-demand treatment

- + HA mouse; HA dog; HA rat – all dosed after bleeding had started; dog and rats after spontaneous 'clinical' bleeds

### Proof of Concept & safety in HA or HB with inhibitors

- + Total of 61 subjects treated in Phase 1/2/3 incl. single dose IV, up to 3 SC doses/day, daily SC up to 97 days

### Several FDA Fast Track and Orphan Drug Designations

- + FTD & ODD for on-demand use in HA/HB with inhibitors
- + FTD for on-demand use in FVII deficiency & ODD for FVII deficiency (broadly)
- + ODD for prophylaxis for hemophilia with inhibitors

FTD = Fast Track Designation, ODD = Orphan Drug Designation



# Crimson 1: Study Design

## Study Objectives & Study Population



- **Primary Objective**

Control of bleeding episodes at 24 hours after initial dose

- **Secondary Objectives**

Time to bleeding cessation after initial dose

Hemostasis at fixed time points after initial dose

Number of doses and cumulative dose to achieve hemostasis

Among bleeds stopped at 24 hours after initial dose, percentage of hemostasis maintained at 48 hours

Use and amount of rescue therapy required

Population pharmacokinetics of SC MarZAA

- **Safety Objectives**

Adverse events, thrombotic events, anti-drug antibodies (ADAs)



### Planned Study Population

- + Approximately 60 male or female subjects

- +  $\geq 12$  years of age with congenital HA or HB with inhibitors

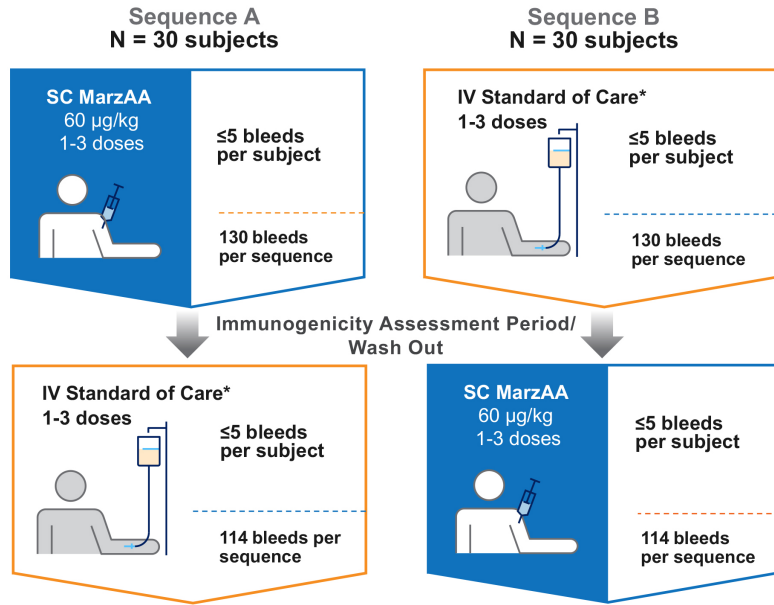
- + Historical annualized bleeding rate (ABR) of  $\geq 8$



# Crimson 1: Study Design



## Multi-Center, Global, Randomized, Open-Label, Cross-Over Phase 3 Study



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\*SOC: FEIBA or NovoSeven

- **Primary endpoint**  
Non-inferior hemostatic efficacy: standard 4-point severity scale at 24 hours
- **Secondary endpoints**  
Time to bleed resolution; number of doses; rescue meds
- **Safety**  
Adverse events, thromboembolism, ADAs

### Statistics

- + Standard of Care (SOC) estimate: **85%** of treated bleeds rated as 'Excellent' or 'Good'
- + Non-inferiority margin: **12%**
- + **2.5%** significance, one-sided
- + **90%** power



# Crimson 1: Baseline Characteristics



## Balanced Across Both Groups, Inhibitor Titers Higher in Sequence A

Characteristic	Sequence A SC MarzAA / IV SOC (N=9 subjects)	Sequence B IV SOC / SC MarzAA (N=7 subjects)	Total (N=16*)
Age (years): Mean (SD)	33.0 (9.67)	35.7 (10.73)	34.2 (9.89)
Male: n (%)	9 (100.0)	7 (100.0)	16 (100.0)
Race: n (%)			
Asian	6 (66.7)	5 (71.4)	11 (68.8)
White, Not Hispanic or Latino	2 (22.2)	2 (28.6)	4 (25.0)
Black or African American	1 (11.1)	0 (0.0)	1 (6.3)
BMI (kg/m <sup>2</sup> ): Mean (SD)	27.9 (5.17)	26.8 (3.43)	27.4 (4.39)
Annualized Bleeding Rate			
Mean (SD)	18.9 (11.97)	26.0 (32.49)	22.0 (22.62)
Median (IQR)	13.0 (11.0-24.0)	15.0 (9.0-20.0)	13.5 (11.0-22.0)
Hemophilia A with Inhibitor: n (%)	9 (100.0)	7 (100.0)	16 (100.0)
Highest Historical Inhibitor Level (BU)			
Mean (SD)	257.6 (362.77)	20.6 (25.87)	148.2 (284.95)
Median (IQR)	40.3 (16.0-768.0)	7.9 (1.9-40.8)	24.0 (7.7-64.0)
Most recent inhibitor level (BU)			
Mean (SD)	89.2 (186.91)	15.8 (22.10)	52.5 (133.41)
Median (IQR)	24.0 (4.4-40.3)	10.0 (1.9-17.6)	12.4 (4.0, 27.5)

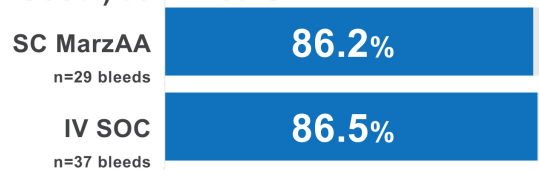
BMI = body mass index; cm = centimeter; FVIII = Factor VIII; kg = kilogram; kg/m<sup>2</sup> = kilogram per square meter; N = number of subjects; n = number of subjects in the specified category; n (%) = count and percentage; SD = standard deviation; IQR = inter-quartile range; BU = Bethesda Units. \*Study terminated early by Sponsor on 12 Nov 2021.

# Crimson 1: Efficacy and Safety



## 74 Bleeds Reported Before Trial Termination, 66 Bleeds Evaluable for Efficacy

Treatment Success (Rated 'Excellent' or 'Good') at 24 Hours



Time to Cessation of Bleeding (minutes)

	SC MarzAA (N=8 subjects)	IV SOC (N=10 subjects)
Evaluable Bleeds	29	37
Mean (SD)	770.1 (645.5)	854.8 (954.2)
Median (IQR)	537.0 (180.0-1390.0)	360.0 (161.0-1380.0)

### Essentially equivalent efficacy of SC MarzAA vs IV SOC at 24 hours

- + Slight differences in mean versus median time to bleeding cessation

### Safe & well-tolerated

- + No injection site reactions (ISRs), drug-related adverse events, or thrombotic events
- + One serious adverse event unrelated to MarzAA or SOC (left vesico-ureteric junction calculus)
- + One subject with transient ADA





# Additional Secondary Efficacy Endpoints

## Higher Percentages of Bleeds had Effective Hemostasis Beyond First 3 Hours of Treatment with SC MarzAA vs IV SOC

Effective Hemostasis at X Hours After Initial Dose	Evaluable Bleeds SC MarzAA n=29 bleeds (%)	Evaluable Bleeds IV SOC n=37 bleeds (%)
1	7 (24.1)	16 (43.2)
3	14 (48.3)	22 (59.5)
6	21 (72.4)	25 (67.8)
9	24 (82.8)	26 (70.3)
12	25 (86.2)	28 (75.7)
48	26 (89.7)	32 (86.5)

### SC MarzAA

- + Median  $T_{max}$ : ~9 hours<sup>1</sup>
- +  $t_{1/2}$ : ~17 hours<sup>1</sup>

Number of Doses and Cumulative Doses Administered for Successfully Treated Bleeds	Successfully Treated Bleeds SC MarzAA n=25 bleeds (%)	Successfully Treated Bleeds IV SOC n=32 bleeds (%)
1	10 (40.0)	22 (68.8)
2	8 (32.0)	9 (28.1)
3	4 (16.0)	0 (0.0)
≥4	3 (12.0)	1 (3.1)

- + While more doses of SC MarzAA were administered vs IV SOC, all took <7 minutes from reconstitution to completion of injection

# Additional Secondary Efficacy Endpoints



## SC MarzAA and IV SOC Both Have High Rates of Treatment Success at 24 Hours that Are Maintained at 48 Hours and Rarely Require Rescue Therapy

Percentage of Bleeds with Treatment Success	Treatment Success SC MarzAA n/N (%)	Treatment Success IV SOC n/N (%)
At 24 Hours	25/29 (86.2)	32/37 (86.5)
Among at 24 Hours, maintained at 48 Hours	24/25 (96.0)	31/32 (96.9)

Number of Rescue Therapy Needed (Treatment >24 Hours after First Dose)	Evaluable Bleeds SC MarzAA n (Medication, Dose[s])	Evaluable Bleeds IV SOC n (Medication, Dose[s])
1	1 subject (FEIBA, 50 U/kg/dose)	0
2	0	0
3	0	0
4	0	1 subject (COAGIL VII, 111 mcg/kg/dose)

# MarzAA Anti-Drug Antibody (ADA) Case



## One of 11 Subjects Treated with SC MarzAA Had Transient, Cross-Reactive ADAs

Per protocol, planned immunogenicity assessments (against MarzAA, NovoSeven, FVIIa, FVII) occurred at Screening, monthly during treatment periods, during immunogenicity assessment period, and at end of study

- + Crimson 1: 1/29 (3.4%) screened subjects excluded due to prior or current antibody against FVIIa
- + Prior MarzAA studies (MAA-102 & MAA-201): Exclusion of 2/14 (14.3%)<sup>1</sup> & 3/17 (17.6%)<sup>2</sup> screened subjects, respectively, due to FVII/FVIIa antibody detected during Screening

29-year-old Asian male with HA with inhibitors, baseline ABR 14, who tested negative for MarzAA ADA at Screening and over first 3 months of MarzAA exposure

### Month 4: First positive MarzAA ADA

- + Cross-reactive to NovoSeven, FVIIa, and FVII; no sample available to test for neutralizing capacity

### Immunogenicity Assessment Period: Second positive MarzAA ADA

- + Cross-reactive to NovoSeven, FVIIa, and FVII; neutralizing antibody tests for MarzAA and FVIIa negative

End of Study (2 months after last MarzAA exposure): MarzAA ADA negative

## Study Summary



### Limited Results Suggest Parity of SC MarzAA & IV SOC for Bleed Treatment at 24 Hours

#### Efficacy data collected on 14% (66/488) of planned, evaluable bleeds among HA subjects with inhibitors

- + Recruitment challenges, due to pandemic-related logistical challenges, competition for subjects, and increasing availability of prophylaxis therapy globally, led to corporate decision to terminate Crimson 1 early
- + 86.2% vs. 86.5% treatment success at 24 hours for SC MarzAA vs. IV SOC

#### Well-tolerated, with no ISRs, drug-related adverse events, or thrombotic events

#### One subject developed transient, cross-reactive ADAs while receiving MarzAA

- + Has not prevented effectiveness of FEIBA to treat all subsequent bleeds
- + rFVIIa ADAs infrequent but known (between 3-7% in congenital FVII deficiency<sup>1,2</sup>), and low MarzAA ADA frequency also in line with ADA rate of other FVIII biologics used to treat severe hemophilia A<sup>3-5</sup>

#### Further evaluation of MarzAA for prevention/treatment of other bleeding disorders is warranted

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## Thank you to all of the

- + participating subjects,
- + site staff,
- + principal and co-investigators, and
- + Catalyst Biosciences team members



# Questions?

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