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): January 10, 2022

ATARA BIOTHERAPEUTICS, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

DELAWARE (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 001-36548 (Commission File Number) 46-0920988 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

611 Gateway Boulevard, Suite 900 South San Francisco, CA (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

94080 (Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: (650) 278-8930

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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D 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:

	Trading	Name of Each Exchange
Title of each class	Symbol(s)	on Which Registered
Common Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share	ATRA	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC

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 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

Atara Biotherapeutics, Inc. (the "Company") intends to conduct meetings with securities analysts, investors and others in connection with the 4th Annual J.P. Morgan Healthcare Conference beginning on January 10, 2022. As part of these meetings, the Company intends to utilize the corporate slide presentation furnished with this report as Exhibit 99.1.

ITEM 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit Description

- 99.1 Corporate Slide Presentation, dated January 10, 2022
- 104 Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

The information in this Item 7.01 is being furnished, not filed, pursuant to Regulation FD. Accordingly, the information in Item 7.01 of this report will not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement filed by the Company under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, unless specifically identified therein as being incorporated therein by reference. The furnishing of the information in this report is not intended to, and does not, constitute a determination or admission by the Company that the information in this report is material or complete, or that investors should consider this information before making an investment decision with respect to any security of the Company.

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.

Atara Biotherapeutics, Inc.

By: <u>/s/ Amar Murugan</u>

Amar Murugan Senior Vice President, General Counsel

Dated: January 10, 2022



Investor Presentation

JP Morgan Healthcare Conference January 10, 2022



Nasdaq: ATRA

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Robust T-Cell Immunotherapy Pipeline

Program	Indication	Target	Preclinical	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Registration	Next Milestone
Tab-cel® (tabelecleucel)	RR EBV+ PTLD following HCT and SOT	EBV		ALLEL	E Study			Q2 2022: BLA submission Q4 2022: EU approval
	Multi-Cohort: EBV+ cancers ⁽¹⁾	EBV						2023: Ph2 Study data expected
	Nasopharyngeal carcinoma ⁽²⁾	EBV						TBD: Pending development path
ATA188	Progressive MS	EBV ⁽³⁾	EMB	OLD Study				Q2 2022: Interim Analysis
ATA2271	Autologous CAR T Solid tumors ^(4,5,6)	Mesothelin						2022: Updated safety / efficacy data
ATA3271	Off-the-shelf, allogeneic CAR T	Mesothelin						Q4 2022: IND filing
ATA3219	Off-the-shelf, allogeneic CAR T B-cell malignancies	CD19						Q4 2022: IND filing
Other Programs	B-cell malignancies, solid tumors, and infectious diseases	Various						Undisclosed
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Three Strategic Priorities Driving Long-Term Value

Tab-cel®	ATA188	Next-Gen CAR T
First-in-Kind Allogeneic T-Cell Therapy with Historic Regulatory Filing	Transformative MS Treatment in Randomized Controlled Trial (RCT)	Next-Generation Allogeneic CAR T Programs Leveraging EBV T Cells
 BTD program for high unmet need in ultra rare population, with meaningful label expansion potential Compelling efficacy profile in Phase 2 and Phase 3 IA data with favorable safety profile Next Step: Submitted MAA with accel. assess. in Nov. 2021; BLA submission expected in Q2 2022 	 Fast track designation granted: High unmet medical need for the up to ~1.2 million progressive MS patients worldwide Clinical and translational data support potential to halt or reverse disease progression in progressive MS Next Step: Interim Analysis from Phase 2 EMBOLD study (Q2 2022) 	 Urgent need for new treatment options across solid and liquid tumor indications Portfolio of next-generation CAR T with robust pre-clinical evidence and no gene editing of TCR Next Step: First allogeneic CAR T programs IND (Q4 2022)
TARA BIO HAT	OLE = Open-label Extension BLA = Biologics License BTD = Break Through Designation IND = Investigational Ne EBV = Epstein-Barr Virus	Application w Drug

Upcoming Key Catalysts

Tab col®	Planned FDA Biologics License Application (BLA) submission for patients with EBV+ PTLD	Q2 2022
(tabelecleucel)	Anticipated EU approval of MAA for patients with EBV+ PTLD, with accelerated assessment	Q4 2022
	Anticipated U.S. approval of BLA for patients with EBV+ PTLD	H1 2023
	Anticipated Phase 2 data for multi-cohort study in EBV+ cancers	2023
ATA188	Conduct interim analysis (IA) to assess efficacy and safety from Phase 2 randomized, double-blind, placebo- controlled study in patients with progressive forms of MS	Q2 2022
ATA2271	Present updated top-line Phase 1 data for mesothelin-targeted autologous CAR T for patients with advanced mesothelioma	2022
ATA3271	Anticipated submission of next-generation off-the-shelf, mesothelin-targeted allogeneic CAR T IND for patients with advanced mesothelioma	Q4 2022
ATA3219	Anticipated submission of best-in-class off-the-shelf, allogeneic CD-19 targeted CAR T IND for patients with B- cell malignancies	Q4 2022



Atara Strategic Priorities to Create Value: Tab-cel®

Tab-cel® (tabelecleucel)

Investigational T-cell immunotherapy for EBV-associated ultra-rare diseases FDA breakthrough designation and EMA PRIME for EBV+ PTLD MAA submitted in EU with accelerated assessment





Recent Positive Regulatory Progress for Tab-cel®





- Based on the requests from the FDA following our recent interactions, Atara has provided to the Agency additional analyses of CMC data we have already provided
 - FDA has not requested additional clinical studies or manufacturing lots
- Atara has made recent progress with FDA through constructive engagement with CBER in Q4 2021
- Atara subsequently plans to have further interactions with the FDA through a Type B CMC meeting in Q1 2022 and complete the BLA submission for tab-cel in Q2 2022
- Atara continues to adapt investment in U.S. commercial readiness toward anticipated U.S. launch in H1 2023

- Following successful interactions with European Medicines Agency (EMA), Atara submitted a MAA for tab-cel[®] in patients with EBV+ PTLD in November 2021
- With the granting of accelerated assessment, anticipate a decision regarding EU tab-cel approval in Q4 2022

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ATARA BIO BLA = Biologics License Application; MAA = Marketing Authorization Application; CMC = Chemistry, Manufacturing and Control

Tab-cel[®] Phase 3 ALLELE Data Presented at ASH 2021 Demonstrate 50% ORR and Impressive Overall Survival at 1 Year



ATARA BIO^{*} HCT: allogeneic hematopoletic cell transplant, SOT: solid organ transplant, Objective response rate (ORR) = complete response (CR) + partial response (PR) ISRA = Independent Oncologic and Radographic Assessment, OS = overall survival I. Sarat J et al. ASH 2021. Abstract III-442. Obmitdent and v et al. ASH 2021. Abstract #2528.

New ASH 2021 Data Confirm Tab-cel® Long-term Survival Benefit



CR = complete response; PR = partial response; PD = progressive disease; SD = stable disease; OS = overall survival; ; GvHD = graft vs host disease

American Society of Hematology (ASH) Annual Meeting and Exposition, 2021, Atlanta

Atara Strategic Priorities to Create Value: ATA188



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We Have Received Fast Track Designation from FDA and are Rapidly Advancing our Phase 2 EMBOLD Study for ATA188

FDA Registrational Feedback Received

- Fast track designation received: FDA granted fast track designation in both non-active SPMS and non-active PPMS patient populations
- Patient Population: FDA considers non-active SPMS and non-active PPMS as two distinct populations with high unmet medical need
- · Next Steps: Further dialogue with FDA following interim analysis

Planned Development Strategy for RCT and Phase 3 Pivotal Study

- Ongoing Robust Phase 2 progressing well: Key stepping stone before Phase 3 pivotal studies, with enrollment
 of patient 80 expected soon after the IA
- · Phase 3 pivotal studies: to be conducted in both non-active SPMS and PPMS populations
 - One Phase 3 study will focus on non-active SPMS, for which no approved therapies currently exist in U.S. or E.U.
 - A separate study will focus on non-active PPMS, which has very few treatment options in most countries and approved therapeutic options are of limited efficacy
- Stirred-tank bioreactor: We continue to invest in this manufacturing technology to enable clinical supply and biologic-like COGM at commercial scale

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RCT = Randomized Controlled Trial COGM = Cost of Goods Manufactured SPMS = Secondary Progressive Multiple Sclerosis PPMS = Primary Progressive Multiple Sclerosis

Planned Interim Analysis on Track for Q2 2022

- We plan to conduct a formal interim analysis in Q2 2022, including efficacy and safety, to optimize the likelihood
 of success in Phase 2, and confirm current development strategy
- We plan to communicate our decision on next steps for the program, including rationale, while still maintaining the integrity of the study

Key Aspects of Planned Interim Analysis

- · Key data point at time of interim analysis is EDSS improvement at 6 months, for applicable patients
- · As patients continue to enroll, there will be a range of treatment durations at the time of the IA
- Based on Phase 1 data: EDSS improvement at 6 months is >85% predictive of achieving EDSS improvement at 12 months

- Note: 33% EDSS improvement at 6 months in high dose cohorts in Phase 1

- Results will determine sample size necessary to achieve target conditional power at end of the study and will
 inform Phase 3 design and planning
- Continued strong interest from large pharma companies on potential partnering opportunities



Phase 1/OLE Summary of Data (ECTRIMS 2021)

- Updated results from the ongoing Open Label Extension (OLE) demonstrate continued safety and tolerability of ATA188 with the longest observed patients receiving up to 3 annual treatments and up to 39 months of follow up
- SDI with ATA188 was driven by sustained EDSS improvement in most patients, disability improvement was maintained at all subsequent timepoints in all but one patient
- Patients treated with ATA188 may achieve SDI, and specifically sustained EDSS improvement, at a higher rate and longer duration than would be expected based on the natural history of progressive MS
- Patients who achieved sustained EDSS improvement with ATA188 at any time in the study (versus those who did not) showed greater increases in MTR from baseline at 12 months, which may be suggestive of remyelination. In general, an increase in MTR was associated with improvement in EDSS scores
- MTR data provide evidence that suggest remyelination may be biological basis for clinical disability improvements observed with ATA188



9 patients met SDI oriteria either in the initial 12-month period (n=7) or in the OLE (n=2) and of these, seven patients had sustained EDSS improvement

*11 patients remained stable throughout their participation in the study (4 through the initial 12 month period and 7 through the OLE) (4 patients had confirmed disability progression either in the initial 12 month period (n=1) or in the OLE (n=3)

One patient who had treatment-related MS relapse 7 days after dosing in the setting of ongoing URTI symptoms and possible dental infection discontinued the study and was not evaluated for efficacy (only safety)

In the Phase 1 and OLE, Treatment with ATA188 Led to Sustained EDSS Improvement in Some Patients Suggesting a Possible Reversal of Disease Progression





ATA188 Shows, For the First Time in PMS, a Statistically Significant Increase in MTR (Potential Remyelination) in Unenhancing T2 Lesions



MTR Increases in Ph1 ATA188 Study (SPMS, PPMS) Suggest Remyelination vs MTR Decreases in Ph3 Siponimod Study (SPMS)



Growing Evidence that EBV Has a Major Role in the Pathogenesis of Multiple Sclerosis

- Prior EBV infection is necessary for a patient to develop MS ^{1,4}
- MS may be mediated by B cells that are infected with EBV²
- Defective elimination of EBV-infected autoreactive B cells by CD8+ T-cells results in accumulation in lymphoid structures and target organs implicated in MS, including the CNS, leading to inflammation.³ This aberrant inflammation eventually leads to demyelination and axon destruction.
- · As MS progresses, patient's ability to mount cell-mediated immune response against EBV decreases and is the worst in patients with progressive MS 3
- · EBV can activate and expand autoreactive memory CD4+ T-cells via molecular mimicry to antigens found in the brain (namely RASGP2) 5
- · EBV may promote the maintenance and expansion of autoreactive memory CD4+ T-cells via molecular mimicry 5

Expression of LMP1 in MS and control subjects

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Atara Strategic Priorities to Create Value: CAR T



Atara Next-Gen CAR T Platform: Key Features for Efficacy and Persistence



An Intact T-Cell Receptor is Essential for T-cell Persistence



Encouraging Preliminary Data for ATA2271 and ATA3271 (Mesothelin CART Programs in Solid Tumors)





- ATA2271 was associated with less T-cell exhaustion with enhanced serial cell killing and *in vivo* efficacy when compared with first-generation mesothelin CAR T therapy (AACR 2020)
- ATA2271 preliminary clinical data confirms safety and persistence of such armored CAR-T (ESMO-IO 2021)
- ATA3271: off-the-shelf, allogeneic EBV mesothelin CAR T, IND-enabling studies ongoing
 - First preclinical data presented showing potent anti-tumor activity without allo-reactivity in vivo (SITC 2020)



ATA2271 Phase 1 second cohort infused for patients with advanced mesothelioma; ATA3271 IND Submission Expected in Q4 2022

ATA3219: Potential Best in Class Off-the-Shelf Allogeneic CD19 Program for B-Cell Malignancies, with IND Expected in Q4 2022



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Curran KJ, Sauter CS, Kernan NA, et al. Durable remission following 'Off-the-Shelf' Chimeric Antigen Receptor (CAR) T-cells in patients with relapse/tefractory (R:R) B-cell malignancies. Bol Blood Marrow Transplant, 2020;28(3) 589.

IND = Investigational New Drug

Optimized for T Cell memory, ATA3219 CAR T Cells Show Superior Tumor Control *in vivo*

Nalm6 CD19+/NSG mouse model 1012--X- PBS control 1011. - Optimized 3219 BLI (photons/sec) 1010. 109. · CAR T field highlights importance of memory 108-T cell phenotype for CAR T efficacy 107 106 40.0 · ATA3219 is being optimized for best-in-class 105opportunity 20 40 60 0 Days post tumor Modifying the ATA3219 bio-production process for stem-like T cells shows more robust in vivo 100 - PBS control Probability of Survival activity in Nalm6 preclinical model - Optimized 3219 50 0-70 10 20 30 40 50 60 ò Days post-tumor imp ATARA BIO Atara - Data on File lantation

ATA3219 Differentiation to Address High Unmet Medical Need

Key Points of Differentiation in B-Cell malignancies

- · Confirm safety of allogeneic EBV CAR T cells
- Demonstrate best-in-class efficacy
- · Establish sufficient persistence for durable response
- · Scaled up manufacturing and off-the-shelf accessibility



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