### 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 6, 2023

### Comera Life Sciences Holdings, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 1-41403 (Commission File Number) 87-4706968 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

12 Gill Street
Suite 4650
Woburn, Massachusetts

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Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (617) 871-2101

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:

- ☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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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
Ī	Common Stock	CMRA	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC
	Warrants	CMRAW	The Nasdag 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.  $\Box$ 

#### Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

Comera Life Sciences Holdings, Inc. (the "Company") from time to time presents at various industry and other conferences and provides summary business information. A copy of the slide presentation that will be used by representatives of the Company in connection with such presentations (the "Corporate Presentation") is attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1. The Corporate Presentation is current as of January 6, 2023, and the Company disclaims any obligation to correct or update this material in the future.

The information in the Corporate Presentation attached as Exhibit 99.1 is intended to be furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No.

Description

99.1 <u>Corporate Presentation current as of January 6, 2023</u>

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SIGNATURE

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.

Dated: January 6, 2023

COMERA LIFE SCIENCES HOLDINGS, INC.

By: /s/ Michael Campbell
Name: Michael Campbell
Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer



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# Leading a <u>compassionate</u> new <u>era</u> in medicine.

- True medical advances are inspired by compassion
- Our technology transforms antibody therapies from IV to self-administered, SQ forms
- The freedom of self injectable care allows patients to fully realize the potential of their lives



### Comera Life Sciences Investment Highlights



# **Near-Term Milestones**

 Partnerships yield near-term licensing fees; IND filing milestones within ~2 years

# Lower-Risk Development

Focus on reformulation of existing drugs

# Multiple Shots on Goal

 SQore<sup>™</sup> technology can be applied across multiple partnership and pipeline programs

## **Capital Efficient**

 Business model characterized by low operating cost and development spend



# Innovative **SQore** Technology Enables Self Administration of Biologics





- >\$30M invested in building and developing platform technology
- ~10 years of research to develop and optimize SQore platform
- Robust platform tested across 20 different mAbs



# SQore Well-Positioned vs. Other Approaches



SQore technology does not alter the structure or physical form of antibodies in solution, reducing drug product development uncertainty, time and expense vs. some other approaches



- SQore excipients do not bind to antibody
- · No structural or chemical change to antibody
- Antibody remains as a true solution with no particulates
- No expected impact to mAb absorption or distribution after SQ administration

# Other viscosity reduction approach examples

- Alteration of protein conformation or chemistry (e.g. dehydration, resuspension)
- Alteration of delivered solution (e.g. nonaqueous microparticle suspension)
- Impact to mAb absorption or distribution after SQ administration potentially unknown

Approaches that either alter mAb structure/function or the physical form of the antibody itself raise new scientific issues that may increase development risk, cost and timeline

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## **Dual Growth Pillars: Partnerships and Pipeline**



Comera's growth driven by utilizing our SQore platform to create value through partnerships with external innovators as well as developing our own reformulated SQ assets



Learnings shared across pharma partnerships and internal product development

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## Partnership Value Generated Through Multiple Stages



### **Feasibility Evaluation**

Revenue generating research collaboration to assess feasibility

### **License Option Exercise**

Potential **\$multi-million** upfront payment to license SQore technology

### **Milestones**

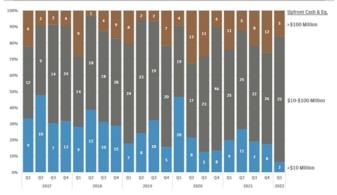
Potential **\$multi-million** payments upon achievement of key development milestones

### **Royalties**

Potential **single to mid teen %** royalty on product sales

### Biopharma Out-Licensors are Receiving Larger Upfront Cash and Equity Investment Deals

High-Dollar In-Licensing: Share of Deals by Range of Upfront Cash & Equity



Source: DealForma.com database. Financials based on disclosed figures. Data through 4/7/2022.



## CLS-001 (SQ Vedolizumab): Best-in-Class Formulation

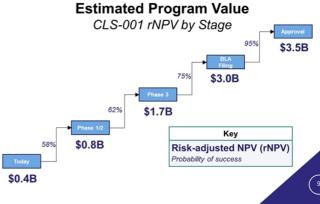


CLS-001 is a multibillion-dollar product opportunity bringing differentiated value to improve the lives of patients with a self-administered SQ formulation having reduced dosing frequency

Program	SQ formulation of vedolizumab	
Therapeutic Area	IBD Ulcerative colitis and Crohn's disease	
Development Status	Formulation development	
Competition	No SQ currently in US Estimated SQ Entyvio approval 2024	
Differentiation	Once monthly SQ dosing vs. every 2 weeks	
Peak Annual Sales Potential	~\$2B	

Source: L.E.K market research and analysis, January 2022; EvaluatePharma; Biosimilardevelopment.com; Parrish (2020); Company website; Cowen (09.2021); SVB Leerink (10.2021); H.C. Wainwright (10.2021); Jefferies (07.2021); https://www.takeda.com/4ada11/siteassets/system/investors/report/quarterlyannouncements/fy2022/qr2022\_q2\_p01\_en.pdf





### Biologics Market is Massive and Growing Rapidly



Global biologics market valued at ~\$383B in 2022 and is expected to grow at an 8.8% CAGR through 2032<sup>1</sup>

7 of the top 10 global medicines are biologics<sup>2</sup>

Products across all major therapeutic indications

Significant market opportunity for formulation improvements

mAb therapies at the vanguard of cutting-edge biomedical technology and driving the next generation of treatments







# High Unmet Need for Self-Administered SQ Formulations



 Most biologics administered intravenously, with significant limitations



 Self-administered SQ therapy has multiple potential benefits



 High viscosity is a significant hurdle to formulating biologics to SQ



# **SQore**: Validated by Scientific Peer-Review



Caffeine-based lead SQore excipient proven in externally validated, rigorous scientific evaluation to achieve all desired target parameters for a viable SQ formulation

 Lead SQore excipient, caffeine, used to show SQ formulation proof of concept for two leading mAbs





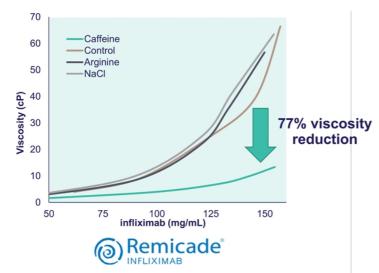
- · Significant viscosity reduction
- · No effect on mAb stability
- No loss of biological activity



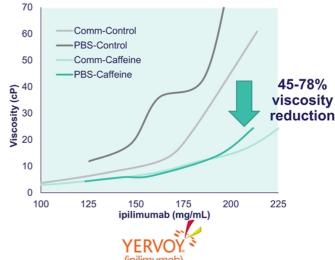
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# Caffeine-based SQore Excipient Optimized to Lower Viscosity for Several Biologics





Infliximab formulated in a 20 mM phosphate-acetate buffer at pH 6.0 (control) and in the presence of 75 mM caffeine, 100 mM ArgHCI, or 100 mM NaCI



Ipilimumab formulated in Yervoy commercial formulation vehicle (Comm.) and PBS with or without 75 mM caffeine

Source: "Caffeine as a viscosity reducer for highly concentrated monoclonal antibody solutions" Journal of Pharmaceutical Sciences 110 (2021) 3594-3604 https://doi.org/10.1016/ji.xphs.2021.06.030

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## SQore Platform Commands Strong IP Portfolio



### 3 Patent families; 12 issued

- · Viscosity Reduction
- Stabilizer
- · Process enhancement



# >35 Patents Pending

- Broad geographical reach:
- · us
- EU
- APAC
- Canada



### Innovation focused on novel method of use for excipient molecules

- Viscosity reduction
- · Stability enhancement
- · Enhancement of processing efficiency
- SQore computational prediction algorithms

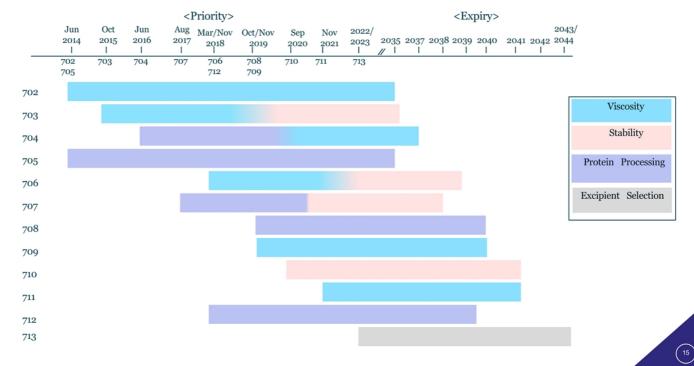
### New formulation IP generated with SQore technology provides substantial value

- Compelling commercial proposition of lifecycle extension for partners drives significant interest
- Potential for extension of franchise patent protection: ~20 years



# SQore IP With Solid Long-Term Protection into 2040s





# SQure Platform Leading to High-Value Partnerships



### **Partnering Strategy**

# Selective focus on high-value collaborations with near-term milestone value

- Late-stage clinical programs and/or commercialized assets
- Programs with significant commercial potential
- High patient quality-of-life impact with availability of self-injectable formulation
- Emphasis on long-term value creation (milestone payments, royalties), if collaboration successful
- Companies with broad mAb portfolio
- Potential interest in licensing and acquiring Comera's internal assets at downstream stages of development

# Ongoing Revenue-Generating, High-Value Partnerships, with Additional Collaborations on the Horizon



### **Current Partnerships**

# Partnership #1 Regeneron

- Leading US biotechnology company
- High-priority assets in development
- Recently extended and broadened
- Includes a right to negotiate license after further technical evaluation complete

#### Partnership #2 Undisclosed

- Top 10 global pharma company
- Drug commercialized globally, currently the largest biologic drug by revenue to Company (top two overall)
- Option to license after further technical evaluation complete

# Partnership #3 Intas Pharmaceuticals Ltd.

- Intas Pharmaceuticals is a leading, verticallyintegrated pharmaceutical company.
- Development of a biosimilar product in oncology
- Option to license after further technical evaluation

### Leveraging SQore to Build Our Own SQ Pipeline



Development focus is utilizing SQore platform to reformulate existing, commercially proven IV biologics to SQ forms, then out-licensing to partners after IND filing

- · Multiple asset opportunities
- Short-term development
- Low capital intensity
- · Lower risk vs. novel program
- Near-term return



- Limited investment focused on reformulating existing biologics from IV to SQ
- Low development cost, goal to get to IND and then outlicense
- 2-3 years to monetization

## **Multiple SQ Pipeline Opportunities Exist**



We have identified several other opportunities that fit the profile of our development focus: SQ reformulation of multi-billion dollar IV biologic products using the SQ ore platform

	Therapeutic Area	Peak Market Size
Opportunity #1	Oncology	~\$15B
Opportunity #2	Oncology	~\$10B
Opportunity #3	Inflammation	~\$1B
Opportunity #4	Oncology	~\$3B
Opportunity #5	Inflammation	~\$2B
Opportunity #6	Oncology, Inflammation	~\$4B

Source: L.E.K market research and analysis, January 2022

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## Experienced and Accomplished Management Team







**MedImmune** 

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Neal I. Muni, MD, MSPH **Chief Operating Officer** 









Michael Campbell Chief Financial Officer





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Successful track record of drug development and life sciences operating expertise

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