# 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): June 2, 2021

# **BOLT BIOTHERAPEUTICS, INC.**

(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 001-39988 (Commission File Number) 47-2804636 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

900 Chesapeake Drive Redwood City, California (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

94063 (Zip Code)

(650) 665-9295 (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 (see General Instructions A.2. below):			
	Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)		
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	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 Exchange on Which Registered:
	Common Stock, par value \$0.00001 per share	"BOLT"	The Nasdaq Global Select Market

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 8.01 Other Events**

On June 2, 2021, Bolt Biotherapeutics, Inc. ("Bolt") announced that it had entered into a License and Collaboration Agreement (the "Agreement") with Genmab A/S ("Genmab"). Under the Agreement, Bolt will receive an upfront payment of \$10.0 million, and under a separate stock purchase agreement, Genmab will invest \$15.0 million in Bolt's common stock. Additionally, Bolt is eligible to receive total potential milestone payments of up to \$285.0 million per therapeutic candidate developed and commercialized by Genmab, along with tiered royalties.

Genmab will fund preclinical and clinical development through clinical proof of concept of all therapeutic candidates. If a candidate is co-developed, costs will be split 50:50 between the two companies. For candidates exclusively developed and commercialized by Genmab, Genmab will pay tiered royalties and milestone payments to Bolt.

On June 2, 2021, Bolt issued a press release, which is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to, and incorporated by reference in, this Form 8-K current report as though fully set forth herein.

# Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 <u>Press Release dated June 2, 2021.</u>

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.

Bolt Biotherapeutics, Inc. Dated: June 2, 2021

By: /s/ William P. Quinn

William P. Quinn Chief Financial Officer





#### Media Release

- Collaboration to discover and evaluate novel product concepts based on the combination of Genmab's antibodies and bispecific antibody technologies with Bolt's proprietary immune-stimulating antibody conjugate (ISAC) platform
- Companies intend to develop multiple bispecific ISACs
- Genmab has option to develop and commercialize up to three therapeutic candidates; Bolt has option to participate in development and commercialization of one candidate
- · Bolt to receive USD 10 million upfront payment and USD 15 million equity investment from Genmab

Copenhagen, Denmark and Redwood City, California; June 2, 2021 – Genmab A/S (Nasdaq: GMAB) and Bolt Biotherapeutics, Inc. (Nasdaq: BOLT) announced today that the companies have entered into an oncology research and development collaboration. Together, the companies will evaluate select Genmab antibodies and bispecific antibody engineering technologies in combination with Bolt's proprietary Boltbody™ immune-stimulating antibody conjugate (ISAC) technology platform, with the goal of discovering and developing next-generation, immune-stimulatory, antibody-based conjugate therapeutics for the treatment of cancer. This research collaboration will evaluate multiple bispecific ISACs concepts to identify up to three clinical candidates for development. Genmab will fund the research, along with the preclinical and clinical development of these candidates through clinical proof of concept.

"This exciting collaboration will provide a unique opportunity to combine Genmab's innovative bispecific antibody technologies with Bolt's powerful, advanced ISAC technology to develop targeted antibody products with the potential to transform cancer treatment," said Jan van de Winkel, Ph.D., Chief Executive Officer of Genmab. "Genmab's partnership approach is part of our DNA and we are pleased to be collaborating with Bolt to develop and deliver potential next-generation cancer therapeutics to patients in need of novel treatment options."

Randall Schatzman, Ph.D., Chief Executive Officer of Bolt, explained, "Our joint vision is to leverage Genmab's and Bolt's innovative technologies to develop a completely new type of ISAC with the aim to transform the way cancer is treated. Creating bispecific ISACs turbocharged with potent immune stimulants is a novel concept that has tremendous potential for patients. We are delighted to be collaborating with the Genmab team and to have their deep expertise in discovering and developing bispecific antibodies brought to bear on this approach as we continue our mission to develop treatments that address key unmet needs for patients with cancer."

#### **Financial Terms**

Under the terms of the agreement, Genmab will pay Bolt an upfront payment of USD 10 million. Genmab will also make a USD 15 million equity investment in Bolt. Bolt is eligible to receive total potential milestone payments of

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up to USD 285 million per therapeutic candidate exclusively developed and commercialized by Genmab, along with tiered royalties. Genmab will fully fund preclinical and early clinical development of all candidates. If a candidate is co-developed, development costs will be split 50:50 between the two companies, and the companies will be solely responsible for commercialization costs in their respective territories and shall pay each other royalties on product sales.

#### **About Genmab**

Genmab is an international biotechnology company with a core purpose to improve the lives of patients with cancer. Founded in 1999, Genmab is the creator of multiple approved antibody therapeutics that are marketed by its partners. The company aims to create, develop and commercialize differentiated therapies by leveraging next-generation antibody technologies, expertise in antibody biology, translational research and data sciences and strategic partnerships. To create novel therapies, Genmab utilizes its next-generation antibody technologies, which are the result of its collaborative company culture and a deep passion for innovation. Genmab's proprietary pipeline consists of modified antibody candidates, including bispecific T-cell engagers and next-generation immune checkpoint modulators, effector function enhanced antibodies and antibody-drug conjugates. The company is headquartered in Copenhagen, Denmark with locations in Utrecht, the Netherlands, Princeton, New Jersey, U.S. and Tokyo, Japan. For more information, please visit Genmab.com.

#### About Bolt Biotherapeutics, Inc.

Bolt Biotherapeutics, Inc. is a clinical-stage biotechnology company pioneering a new class of immuno-oncology agents that combine the targeting precision of antibodies with the power of both the innate and adaptive immune systems. Bolt's proprietary Boltbody™ Immune-stimulating Antibody Conjugates (ISACs) are designed to target tumor cells for elimination by myeloid cells, which then activates the myeloid cells to recruit the adaptive immune system in the anti-tumor response. This leads to the conversion of immunologically "cold" tumors to "hot" tumors. Bolt's lead candidate, BDC-1001, is a Boltbody ISAC comprised of a HER2-targeting biosimilar of trastuzumab conjugated with a non-cleavable linker to one of Bolt's proprietary TLR7/8 agonists for the treatment of patients with HER2-expressing solid tumors. Bolt is also advancing BDC-2034, a Boltbody ISAC targeting CEA, and a pipeline of other immuno-oncology products.

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Genmab A/S and/or its subsidiaries own the following trademarks: Genmab®; the Y-shaped Genmab logo®; Genmab in combination with the Y-shaped Genmab logo®.

#### **Bolt Forward-Looking Statements**

This press release contains forward-looking statements about us and our industry that involve substantial risks and uncertainties and are based on our beliefs and assumptions and on information currently available to us. All statements other than statements of historical facts contained in this press release, including statements regarding our ability to collaborate with Genmab A/S to discover and develop therapeutics for the treatment of multiple types of cancer, our ability to develop multiple next-generation, immune-stimulatory conjugate therapeutics with Genmab A/S, the achievement of milestone payments or any tiered royalties, our future results of operations, financial condition, business strategy and plans and objectives of management for future operations, are forward-looking statements. In some cases, you can identify forward-looking statements because

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