## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549

## **POST-EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT NO. 1** TO FORM S-3 **REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933**

**Iovance Biotherapeutics, Inc.** (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

75-3254381 (I.R.S. Employer **Identification Number)** 

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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public: From time to time after the effective date of this registration statement.

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Large accelerated filer		Accelerated filer	þ
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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

On June 1, 2017, Lion Biotechnologies, Inc., a Nevada corporation ("Lion Nevada"), changed its state of incorporation from Nevada to Delaware (the "Reincorporation") pursuant to a plan of conversion dated June 1, 2017. The Reincorporation was approved by the stockholders of Lion Nevada at the Annual Meeting of Stockholders on June 1, 2017 for which proxies were solicited pursuant to Section 14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). Upon the effectiveness of the Reincorporation, among other matters, the internal affairs of Lion Nevada became subject to the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware and the certificate of incorporation and the bylaws of Lion Biotechnologies, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("Lion Delaware"), and each outstanding share of common stock and preferred stock of Lion Nevada was converted into one share of common stock and one share of preferred stock, respectively, of Lion Delaware. Lion Nevada and Lion Delaware, as issuer and successive issuer, respectively, under Rule 12g-3 of the Exchange Act, are collectively referred to herein as the "Registrant."

On June 27, 2017, Lion Delaware changed its corporate name to Iovance Biotherapeutics, Inc. by filing an amendment to its Certificate of Incorporation with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware.

This Post- Effective Amendment is being filed pursuant to Rule 414 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), and constitutes Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-214073) ( the "Registration Statement") solely to reflect the change in the Registrant's state of incorporation as a result of the Reincorporation or as necessary to keep the Registration Statement from being misleading in any material respect. In accordance with paragraph (d) of Rule 414 of the Securities Act, except as modified by this Post-Effective Amendment, Iovance Biotherapeutics, Inc., as successor issuer to Lion Nevada pursuant to Rule 12g-3 of the Exchange Act, hereby expressly adopts the Registration Statement for all purposes of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act.

The information contained in this prospectus is not complete and may be changed. The selling stockholders named in this prospectus may not sell these securities until the registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is effective. This prospectus is not an offer to sell securities, and the selling stockholders are not soliciting offers to buy these securities, in any state where the offer or sale is not permitted.

#### PROSPECTUS

## Subject to Completion, Dated July 31, 2017

## **Iovance Biotherapeutics, Inc.**

13,993,935 Shares of Common Stock offered by the Selling Stockholders

This prospectus relates to the sale of up to (i) 6,680,719 outstanding shares of our common stock, (ii) 847,000 shares of common stock issuable upon the conversion of outstanding shares of our Series A Convertible Preferred Stock (the "Series A Preferred"), and (iii) 6,466,216 shares issuable upon the exercise of currently outstanding November 2013 common stock purchase warrants (the "November 2013 Warrants"), in each case, held by some of our selling stockholders. For a list of the selling stockholders, please see "Selling Stockholders."

The selling stockholders may sell these shares from time to time in the principal market on which our common stock is traded at the prevailing market price, in negotiated transactions, or through any other means described in the "Plan of Distribution" section of this prospectus. The selling stockholders may be deemed underwriters within the meaning of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, with respect to the shares of common stock that they are offering. We will pay the expenses of registering these shares. We will not receive proceeds from the sale of shares by the selling stockholders that are covered by this prospectus. However, we will receive payment of the exercise price upon any exercise of the November 2013 Warrants.

The shares are being registered to permit the selling stockholders, or their respective pledgees, donees, transferees or other successors-in-interest, to sell the shares from time to time in the public market. We do not know when or in what amount the selling stockholders may offer the securities for sale. The selling stockholders may sell some, all or none of the shares offered by this prospectus.

Our common stock is traded on The NASDAQ Global Market under the symbol "IOVA." On July 28, 2017, the last reported sale price of our common stock as reported on The NASDAQ Global Market was \$5.80.

You should understand the risks associated with investing in our common stock. Before making an investment, read the "Risk Factors" section on page 5 of this prospectus.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed upon the adequacy or accuracy of this prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The date of this prospectus is \_\_\_\_\_, 2017

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## ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS

This prospectus is part of a registration statement that we filed on behalf of the selling stockholders with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") to permit the selling stockholders to sell the shares described in this prospectus in one or more transactions. The selling stockholders and the plan of distribution of the shares being offered by them are described in this prospectus under the headings "Selling Stockholders" and "Plan of Distribution."

As permitted by the rules and regulations of the SEC, the registration statement filed by us includes additional information not contained in this prospectus. You may read the registration statement and the other reports we file with the SEC at the SEC's web site or its offices described below under the heading "Where You Can Find More Information."

You should rely only on the information that is contained in this prospectus or that is incorporated by reference into this prospectus. We and the selling stockholders have not authorized anyone to provide you with information that is in addition to or different from that contained in, or incorporated by reference into, this prospectus. If anyone provides you with different or inconsistent information, you should not rely on it.

The shares of common stock offered by this prospectus are not being offered in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale of such common stock is not permitted. You should not assume that the information contained in, or incorporated by reference into, this prospectus is accurate as of any date other than the date of this prospectus or, in the case of the documents incorporated by reference, the date of such documents, regardless of the date of delivery of this prospectus or any sale of the common stock offered by this prospectus. Our business, financial condition, liquidity, results of operations and prospects may have changed since those dates. The rules of the SEC may require us to update this prospectus in the future.

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#### PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

This summary highlights selected information about us contained elsewhere in this prospectus or incorporated by reference in this prospectus; it does not contain all of the information you should consider before investing in our common stock. This prospectus includes or incorporates by reference information about the common stock being offered by the selling stockholders, as well as information regarding our business and industry and detailed financial data. You should read the entire prospectus and the information incorporated by reference herein before making an investment decision. This prospectus includes forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. See "Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements" for more information.

Throughout this prospectus, the terms "Iovance," "we," "us," "our," and "our company" refer to Iovance Biotherapeutics, Inc., a Delaware corporation.

#### **OUR COMPANY**

### Overview

We are a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on the development and commercialization of novel cancer immunotherapy products designed to harness the power of a patient's own immune system to eradicate cancer cells. Our lead program is an adoptive cell therapy utilizing tumor-infiltrating lymphocytes (TIL), which are T cells derived from patients' tumors, for the treatment of metastatic melanoma.

A patient's immune system, particularly their TIL, plays an important role in identifying and killing cancer cells. TIL consist of a polyclonal population of T cells that can recognize a wide variety of cancer-specific mutations. TIL therapy involves growing a patient's TIL in special culture conditions outside the patient's body, or ex vivo, and then infusing the T cells back into the patient followed by infusion of six doses of interleukin-2 (IL-2). By expanding a patient's TIL ex vivo, away from the immune-suppressive tumor microenvironment, the T cells rapidly proliferate. As a result, billions of TIL, when infused back into the patient, are better able to search out and potentially eradicate the tumor.

We have an on-going Phase 2 clinical trial of our lead autologous TIL product candidate, LN-144, comprising TIL therapy for the treatment of metastatic melanoma. This three-arm study is enrolling patients with melanoma whose disease has progressed following prior anti-PD-1 therapy. The trial opened for enrollment during the second half of 2015 and is being conducted at ten sites, with additional sites expected to open in the second half of 2017. The purpose of the study is to evaluate the efficacy and safety of LN-144. The trial's primary objective is to characterize the efficacy of LN-144. Secondary outcome measures efficacy of the LN-144 includes objective response and complete response rates as well as safety. Additional secondary or exploratory endpoints are included as well. Interim results from cohort 1 of this study were presented as a poster at the American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) Annual Meeting in 2017.

During 2015, we received orphan drug designation for LN-144 in the United States to treat metastatic melanoma. This designation provides seven years of market exclusivity in the United States, subject to certain limited exceptions. However, the orphan drug designation does not convey any advantage in or shorten the duration of the regulatory review or approval process.

We are pursuing metastatic melanoma as our first target indication because of the promising initial results in this indication generated by Dr. Steven Rosenberg, M.D., Ph.D., Chief of the Surgery Branch of the National Cancer Institute (NCI) and the commercial opportunity inherent in the significant unmet need of this patient population. Melanoma is a common type of skin cancer, accounting for approximately 87,110 patients expected to be diagnosed in the US and 9,730 expected deaths in the United States according to the American Cancer Society's Cancer Estimated 2017 Facts and Figures. According to the NCI's Surveillance, Epidemiology and End Results (SEER) program, about 2-5% of patients with melanoma have metastatic disease. Patients with metastatic melanoma following treatment under the current standards of care have a particularly dire prognosis with very few curative treatment options.

In addition to our ongoing trial in metastatic melanoma, we have initiated clinical trials of TIL therapy in two additional cancer indications in 2017, cervical cancer and head and neck cancer. We plan to initiate additional indications by the company as well as through collaborations which may include glioblastoma, pancreatic cancer, ovarian cancer, several types of sarcomas, and lung.

### **Recent Developments**

Since the beginning of 2016, a number of significant developments have occurred, including the following:

- We submitted an Investigational New Drug Application to conduct studies in cervical and head and neck cancer, opened sites in both head and neck and cervical cancer studies, treated our first patient in the head and neck cancer study, and are recruiting patients for the cervical cancer study.
- We have treated our first patient in our multicenter, Phase 2 clinical study of TIL therapy in melanoma using our generation 2 manufacturing process.
- We hired a new Chief Executive Officer and Chief Scientific Officer.
- We raised \$100 million in funding through the sale of equity in a private placement.
- We entered into a five-year extension of our Cooperative Research and Development Agreement (the "CRADA") with the National Cancer Institute (the "NCI").
- We entered into an exclusive license agreement with PolyBioCept AB and a related clinical trials agreement with the Karolinksa University Hospital.
- We presented TIL technology data in four posters at the Society for Immunotherapy of Cancer (SITC) Annual Meeting.
- We presented interim results from our multicenter, Phase 2 clinical study of TIL therapy in melanoma at the 2017 ASCO Annual Meeting.
- We entered into a new three-year manufacturing agreement with WuXi Apptech, Inc.
- We entered into a new three-year manufacturing agreement with Lonza Walkersville, Inc .
- We entered into a new three-year manufacturing agreement with PharmaCell B.V.
- We entered into a new sponsored research agreement and two new clinical grant agreements with the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute.
- We entered into a strategic alliance agreement with the University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center to explore investigatorsponsored trials using TIL therapy, including a trial in which the Company will manufacture the TIL product.
- We grew from 20 employees at the beginning of 2016 to over 60 employees as of June 30, 2017.
- · We moved our corporate headquarters from New York, New York to San Carlos, California.

#### **Company History**

We filed our original certificate of Incorporation with the Secretary of State of Nevada on September 17, 2007. Until March 2010, we were an inactive company known as Freight Management Corp. On March 15, 2010, we changed our name to Genesis Biopharma, Inc. and in 2011 we commenced our current business. On June 1, 2017, we changed our state of incorporation from Nevada to Delaware (the "Reincorporation") pursuant to a plan of conversion dated June 1, 2017. Upon the effectiveness of the Reincorporation, among other matters, our internal affairs became subject to the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, the certificate of incorporation we filed in Delaware, and our new bylaws. Upon the Reincorporation, each outstanding share of our common stock and preferred stock was converted into one share of common stock and one share of preferred stock, respectively, of Lion Biotechnologies, Inc., the Delaware corporation.

On June 27, 2017, we changed our corporate name to Iovance Biotherapeutics, Inc. by filing an amendment to our certificate of incorporation with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware.

Our principal executive offices are located at 999 Skyway Road, Suite 150, San Carlos, California, 94070, and our telephone number at that address is (650) 260-7120. Our website is located at www.iovance.com. Information on our website is not, and should not be considered, part of this prospectus.

### THE OFFERING

Common Stock offered by the selling stockholders	13,993,935 shares(1)
Common Stock offered by us	None
Common Stock outstanding	62,680,390 shares(2)
Common Stock to be outstanding after the offering	69,993,606 shares(3)
NASDAQ Global Market Symbol	IOVA
Use of proceeds	We will not receive any proceeds from the sale of shares offered hereby. However, we may receive up to a maximum of approximately \$16,166,000 of gross proceeds from the exercise of November 2013 Warrants by selling stockholders, which proceeds we expect to use for working capital and general corporate purposes. No assurances can be given that all or any portion of the November 2013 Warrants will ever be exercised.
Risk Factors	An investment in our common stock involves significant risks. See "Risk Factors" on page 5.

(1) Consists of 6,680,719 outstanding shares of common stock, 847,000 shares of common stock issuable upon the conversion of the outstanding shares of Series A Preferred, and 6,466,216 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of the November 2013 Warrants (which Warrants may be exercised at an exercise price of \$2.50 per share).

(2) As of June 30, 2017, and does not include (i) a total of 13,452,213 restricted stock units and shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of outstanding options (with exercise prices ranging from \$4.54 to \$117.00 per share) and warrants, including the November 2013 Warrants (with exercise prices ranging from \$2.50 to \$2.51 per share), (ii) the 847,000 shares of common stock issuable upon the conversion of the shares of Series A Preferred or (iii) 7,946,673 shares of common stock issuable upon the conversion of outstanding shares of our Series B Preferred Stock ("Series B Preferred").

(3) Assumes the conversion of all of the Series A Preferred and the exercise of all of the November 2013 Warrants by the selling stockholders. Does not include (i) a total of 6,983,080 restricted stock units and shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of outstanding options (with exercise prices ranging from \$4.54 to \$117.00 per share) or (ii) 7,946,673 shares of common stock issuable upon the conversion of outstanding Series B Preferred shares.

#### **RISK FACTORS**

Investing in our common stock involves certain risks. Before you decide whether to purchase any shares of our common stock, in addition to the other information in this prospectus or incorporated by reference into this prospectus, you should carefully consider the risks described in the reports we file with the SEC, including the "Risk Factors" disclosed in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K and Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, which are incorporated by reference into this prospectus, as such risk factors may be updated from time to time by our future filings with the SEC. If one or more of these risks materializes, our business, financial condition and results of operations may be adversely affected. In that event, the value of our common stock could decline. The risks that are described in this prospectus or in any document that is incorporated by reference into this prospectus are not the only risks that we face. Additional risks not presently known to us or that we currently believe to be immaterial may also adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

#### CAUTIONARY NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus contains forward-looking statements which relate to future events or to our future financial performance and involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause our actual results to be materially different from any future results expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements. In some cases, you can identify forward-looking statements by the use of words such as "believe," "anticipate," "intend," "plan," "estimate," "may," "could," "anticipate," "predict," or "expect" and similar expressions. You should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance. Actual events or results may differ materially from those discussed in the forward-looking statements as a result of various factors. Except as required by applicable law, we do not undertake any obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future developments or otherwise. Important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those reflected in our forward-looking statements include, among others:

- our inability to obtain regulatory approval for, or successfully commercialize, our leading product candidate, LN-144, or our other product candidates;
- · difficultly in enrolling patients in our clinical trials and uncertainty of clinical trial results;
- our history of operating losses and inability to become profitable;
- uncertainty and volatility in the price of our common stock;
- the costs and effects of existing and potential governmental investigations and litigation;
- our inability to meet the continued listing requirements of The NASDAQ Global Market;
- our inability to implement and maintain appropriate internal controls;
- uncertainty as to our employees' and independent contractors' compliance with regulatory standards and requirements and securities insider trading rules;
- dependence on the efforts of third parties to conduct and oversee our clinical trials for our product candidates, to manufacture clinical supplies of our product candidates and to commercialize our product candidates;
- the effect of government regulations on our business;

- a loss of any of our key management personnel;
- our inability to secure and maintain relationships with collaborators and contract manufacturers;
- our inability to develop or commercialize our product candidates due to intellectual property rights held by third parties and our inability to protect the confidentiality of our trade secrets; and
- our potential inability to access capital required to fund proposed operations.

All written and verbal forward-looking statements attributable to us or any person acting on our behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by the cautionary statements contained or referred to in this section. We caution investors not to rely too heavily on the forward-looking statements we make or that are made on our behalf. We undertake no obligation, and specifically decline any obligation, to update or revise publicly any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

In addition, you should refer to the section of this prospectus entitled "Risk Factors" for a discussion of other important factors that may cause our actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied by our forward-looking statements. As a result of these factors, we cannot assure you that the forward-looking statements in this prospectus will prove to be accurate. Furthermore, if our forward-looking statements prove to be inaccurate, the inaccuracy may be material. In light of the significant uncertainties in these forward-looking statements, you should not regard these statements as a representation or warranty by us or any other person that we will achieve our objectives and plans in any specified time frame, or at all.

#### **USE OF PROCEEDS**

We will not receive any proceeds from the sale of the common stock by the selling stockholders pursuant to this prospectus. All proceeds from the sale of the shares will be for the account of the selling stockholders. The selling stockholders may sell these shares in the over-the-counter market or otherwise, at market prices prevailing at the time of sale, at prices related to the prevailing market price, or at negotiated prices. However, we will receive proceeds upon the cash exercise of the November 2013 Warrants held by some of the selling stockholders. If all of the November 2013 Warrants are exercised at the initial exercise price of \$2.50 per share (which exercise price is subject to adjustment under customary anti-dilution protections), then we will receive gross proceeds of approximately \$16,166,000. Any such proceeds will be used for working capital and general corporate purposes. No assurance can be given, however, that all or any portion of such Warrants will be exercised.

The selling stockholders will pay any underwriting discounts and commissions and expenses incurred by the selling stockholders for brokerage or legal services or any other expenses incurred by the selling stockholders in disposing of the shares included in this prospectus. We will bear all other costs, fees and expenses incurred in effecting the registration of the shares covered by this prospectus, including all registration and filing fees and fees and expenses of our counsel and accountants.

#### SELLING STOCKHOLDERS

#### Selling Stockholders Table

This prospectus covers an aggregate of 13,993,935 shares of our common stock, consisting of (i) 6,680,719 outstanding shares of common stock, (ii) 847,000 shares of common stock issuable upon the conversion of the outstanding shares of Series A Preferred shares, and (iii) 6,466,216 shares issuable upon the exercise of all of the November 2013 Warrants held by certain of the selling stockholders.

On November 5, 2013, we completed a private placement in which we issued (i) 3,145,300 shares of our common stock, (ii) 17,000 shares of our Series A Preferred, and (iii) the November 2013 Warrants to purchase a total of 11,645,300 shares of common stock (the "2013 Private Placement"). The purchase price of each common stock/warrant unit was \$2.50, and the purchase price of each Series A Preferred/warrant unit was \$1,000. Except for the shares owned by Ayer Capital Partners Master Fund, L.P. and Ayer Capital Partners Kestrel Fund, LP, and 346,433 shares owned by General Merrill McPeak, all of the shares included in this prospectus were sold in the 2013 Private Placement. The shares held by Ayer Capital Partners Master Fund, L.P. and Ayer Capital Partners Kestrel Fund, LP were issued in May 2013 in connection with a recapitalization in which all of the convertible debentures and all common stock purchase warrants held by these two institutional investors were converted or exchanged for shares of common stock. The 446,433 shares owned by Merrill McPeak and included in in this prospectus were acquired by General McPeak in 2013 (including 100,000 shares he purchased in the 2013 Private Placement).

We are registering the shares under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), to give the selling stockholders the opportunity, if they so desire, to publicly sell the shares for their own accounts in such amounts and at such times and prices as each may choose. The selling stockholders may from time to time offer and sell pursuant to this prospectus any or all of the below listed shares of common stock owned by them. The registration of these shares does not require that any of the shares be offered or sold by the selling stockholders. The selling stockholders may from time to time offer and sell all or a portion of their shares in the principal market on which our common stock is traded, in negotiated transactions, or otherwise, at prices then prevailing or related to the then current market price or at negotiated prices.

The registered shares may be sold directly or through brokers or dealers, or in a distribution by one or more underwriters on a firm commitment or best efforts basis. To the extent required, the names of any agent or broker-dealer and applicable commissions or discounts and any other required information with respect to any particular offer will be set forth in a prospectus supplement. Please see "Plan of Distribution." The selling stockholders and any agents or broker-dealers that participate with the selling stockholders in the distribution of registered shares may be deemed to be "underwriters" within the meaning of the Securities Act, and any commissions received by them and any profit on the resale of the registered shares may be deemed to be underwriting commissions or discounts under the Securities Act.

No estimate can be given as to the amount or percentage of common stock that will be held by the selling stockholders after any sales made pursuant to this prospectus because the selling stockholders are not required to sell any of the shares being registered under this prospectus. The table below assumes that the selling stockholders will sell all of the shares included in this prospectus.

Transferees, successors and donees of identified selling stockholders will not be able to use this prospectus for resales until they are named in the table below by prospectus supplement or post-effective amendment. If required, we will add transferees, successors and donees by prospectus supplement in instances where the transferee, successor or donee has acquired its shares from holders named in this prospectus after the effective date of this prospectus.

On June 7, 2016, we sold (i) 9,684,000 shares of our common stock and (ii) 11,368,633 shares of our new Series B Preferred Stock (the "Series B Preferred") to certain accredited and institutional investors, including to some of the selling stockholders listed in this prospectus. Currently, each share of Series B Preferred is convertible into one share of our common stock. As of the date of this prospectus, a total of 3,421,960 of the foregoing Series B Preferred shares had been converted into 3,421,960 shares of common stock.

The following table sets forth the beneficial ownership of the selling stockholders as of June 31, 2017. The term "selling stockholder" or "selling stockholders" includes the selling stockholders listed below and their respective transferees, assignees, pledges, donees or other successors. Beneficial ownership is determined in accordance with the rules of the SEC and generally includes voting or investment power with respect to securities. Shares of common stock subject to options, warrants and convertible securities currently exercisable or convertible, or exercisable or convertible within 60 days of June 30, 2017 are deemed outstanding, including for purposes of computing the percentage ownership of the person holding the option, warrant or convertible security, but not for purposes of computing the percentage of any other holder. As of June 30, 2017, we had 62,680,390 shares of common stock issued and outstanding.

	Beneficial Ownership Before Offering		Beneficial Ownership After Offering <sup>(1)</sup>		
	Number of Shares	Percent	Number of Shares Being Offered	Number of Shares	Percent
Ronald Bartlett & Valerie Bartlett, JT WROS	58,400(3)	*	58,400	0	0
Carol Cody	30,000(3)	*	30,000	0	0
Anton Bogner & Barbara D. Bogner	25,000(2)		25,000	0	0
Gerald Cohen	38,250(3)	*	38,250	0	0
Michael Crawford	40,000(2)	*	40,000	0	0
Robert Crothers	52,000(3)	*	52,000	0	0
Arielle Crothers	10,000(2)	*	10,000	0	0
William A Crothers & JoAnn Crothers, JTWROS	1,000(2)	*	1,000	0	0
Christine Crothers	1,000(2)	*	1,000	0	0
Alicia Rodriguez	1,000(2)	*	1,000	0	0
Jay E. Bradbury	7,500(2)	*	7,500	0	0
Sudip Chakrabortty & Anshu S. Chakrabortty, JT WROS	26,000(2)	*	26,000	0	0
Ficksman Family Trust	25,000(2)	*	25,000	0	0
Finkelstein Living Trust, William Finkelstein, Trustee	24,000(3)	*	12,500	0	0
Stanley Friedman & Leslie Friedman JT WROS	25,000(2)	*	25,000	0	0
Marc Fuhrman	25,000(2)	*	25,000	0	0
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Carol Giorello and Anthony Giorello, JTWROS	12,000(3)	*	12,000	0	0
William D. Gould	16,400(3)	*	16,400	0	0
Ravi Gutta	50,000(2)	*	50,000	0	0
Jennifer Nugent	25,000(4)		25,000	0	0
Christofer Innace	11,700(2)	*	11,700	0	0
Andrei Iancu	37,500(3)	*	37,500	0	0
Ashish Jhingan & Dolly Jhingan JT WROS	44,500(3)	*	44,500	0	0
Martin J. Junge	23,500(2)	*	23,500	0	0
Edward King	18,800(3)	*	18,800	0	0
George A. Kingsley, Jr. and Nadine J. Kingsley JT WROS Paul Frederick Lawrence and Rachelle Anne Lawrence, Trustees of the Rachelle and Paul Lawrence Living Trust, dated Aug. 1,	29,000(3)	*	29,000	0	0
2008	12,722(4)	*	12,500	222	*
Thomas Leith	47,500(2)	*	47,500	47,500	*
Jeffrey Lieberman	12,500(2)	*	12,500	0	0
Robert H. Lipp Separate Property Trust	10,000(2)	*	10,000	0	0
Merrill McPeak	602,833(5)	*	446,433	156,400	*
Brian M. Miller	25,000(3)	*	25,000	0	0
Kenneth E Normann	1,000(2)	*	1,000	0	0
Steven Pisacano	1,200(2)	*	1,250	0	0
R&I Family Trust u/a/d 3/15/90, Richard N. Kipper & Inta A.	_,,		_,		
Kipper, Trustees	13,500(3)	*	13,500	0	0
Jeff Rennell & Christine Kellye Rennell, JT WROS	80,000(3)	*	80,000	0	0
Charles F. Richter	60,0003)	*	60,000	0	0
Mark W. Schwartz	10,000(2)	*	10,000	0	0
Randall A. Sebring & Alice M. Sebring JT WROS	81,000(2)	*	81,000	0	0
Howard L. Simon & Dana B. Simon as Trustees of the Howard	01,000(=)		01,000	0	0
and Dana Simon 2000 Revocable Trust	17,000(3)	*	17,000	0	0
Manish Singh	294,000(3)	*	250,000	44,000	*
Sneh Singhal	8,000(2)	*	8,000	44,000	0
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Daryl Squicciarini	20,000(4)	*	20,000	0	0
Joseph Telushkin	4,000(4)		4,000	0	0
Lisa Torsiello	15,000(2)	*	15,000	0	0
K. David Tritsch	10,000(2)	*	10,000	0	0
Ninish Ukkan	12,500(3)	*	12,500	0	0
Windward Venture Partners	25,000(4)(14)	*	25,000	0	0
Leland Zurich & Valerie Zurich, JT WROS	33,000(2)	*	33,000	0	0
Roth Capital Partners, LLC	129,369(4)(6)	*	129,369	0	0
Perceptive Life Sciences Master Fund Ltd.	4,753,414(7)	7.54%	487,300	4,266,114	6.81%
Quogue Capital LLC	5,778,947(8)	8.93%	4,000,000	3,277,938	4.99%
Acuta Capital Fund, LP	2,522,228(9)(10)	4.02%	1,119,265	1,402,963	2.24%
Acuta Opportunity Fund, LP Broadfin Healthcare Master Fund, Ltd	662,500(9)(11) 3,127,751(12)	1.06% 4.99%	380,735 1,500,000	281,765 3,127,751	* 4.99%

500,000(4))	*	500,000	0	0
152,632(3)	*	100,000	52,632	*
102,632(3)	*	75,000	52,632	*
25,000(4)	*	25,000	0	0
4,662,352(13)	7.44%	862,700	3,799,652	6.06%
150,000(14)(3)	*	150,000	0	0
2,756,386(2)(15	4.40%	2,756,386	0	0
66,947(2)(16)	*	66,947	0	0
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Less than 1%

- (1) Assumes the selling stockholder sells all of the shares of common stock included in this prospectus.
- (2) Consists solely of currently outstanding shares of common stock.
- (3) Includes both currently outstanding shares of common stock and shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of the stockholder's November 2013 Warrant.
- (4) Consists solely of shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of a November 2013 Warrant.
- (5) Represents 446,433 outstanding shares of common stock and options to purchase 156,250 shares of common stock.
- (6) Represents shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of the November 2013 Warrant issued to this broker-dealer as compensation for placement agent services provided in the 2013 Private Placement. Byron Roth and Gordon Roth, as members of the selling stockholder, have shared voting and investment power over the shares.
- (7) Includes 97,000 shares of our common stock issuable upon the conversion of Series A Preferred shares, 909,491 shares of our common stock issuable upon the conversion of Series B Preferred Shares and 390,300 shares of our common stock issuable upon exercise of a November 2013 Warrant. Under the terms of the November 2013 Warrant, the holder does not have the right to exercise the November 2013 Warrant to the extent that after giving effect to such exercise, the holder (together with its affiliates) would beneficially own in excess of 4.99% (the "Maximum Percentage") of the shares of our common stock outstanding immediately after giving effect to such exercise. By written notice to us, however, the holder may from time to time increase or decrease the Maximum Percentage to any other percentage not in excess of 9.99%. Similarly, under the terms of the Series A Preferred and the Series B Preferred, the holder (together with its affiliates) would beneficially own in excess of the Series B Preferred to the extent that after giving effect to such conversion, the holder (together with its affiliates) would beneficially own in excess of the Maximum Percentage. By written notice to us, however, the holder (together with its affiliates) would beneficially own in excess of the Maximum Percentage. By written notice to us, however, the holder may from time to time increase or decrease the Maximum Percentage or decrease the Maximum Percentage with respect to any or all of the November 2013 Warrant, the Series A Preferred and the Series B Preferred to any other percentage not in excess of 9.99%. We have received such a notice from this holder and accordingly, this holder may exercise any portion of the November 2013 Warrant or convert any shares of Series A Preferred or the Series B Preferred up until the point that the holder's beneficial ownership equals 9.99%.
- (8) The number of shares beneficially owned before the offering consists of 3,846,280 shares of our common stock and 1,932,667 shares of our common stock issuable upon conversion of Series B Preferred owned by Quogue Capital LLC and does not include up to 2,000,000 shares of our common stock issuable upon the exercise of a November 2013 Warrant (which Warrant cannot be exercised if such exercise would result in the holder (together with its affiliates) beneficially owning more than the Maximum Percentage. By written notice to us, however, the holder may from time to time increase or decrease the Maximum Percentage to any other percentage not in excess of 9.99%. The number of shares beneficially owned after the offering consists of 1,431,658 shares of our common stock owned by Quogue Capital LLC and 1,077,983 shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of Series B Preferred. Wayne Rothbaum, a member of our board of directors, is the sole managing member of Quogue Capital LLC and may be deemed to beneficially own the shares owned by Quogue Capital LLC.
- (9) Richard Lin is the Managing Member of Acuta Capital Partners, LLC, the general partner of Acuta Capital Fund, LP and Acuta Opportunity Fund, LP and an investment manager for 2B LLC and has voting and investment power over all of the shares held by Acuta Capital Fund, LP and Acuta Opportunity Fund, LP. Mr. Lin disclaims beneficial ownership over all of the shares held by Acuta Capital Fund, LP, and Acuta Opportunity Fund, LP, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein. Acuta Capital Partners, LLC also manages an investment account on behalf of 2B LLC and may also be deemed to have investment discretion and voting power over the 662,500 shares held by 2B LLC

- (10) Does not include 1,127,473 shares of our common stock issuable upon exercise of a warrant or 177,351 shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of the Series B Preferred. Under the terms of this warrant and the Series B Preferred, the holder does not have the right to exercise the warrant or convert the Series B Preferred to the extent that after giving effect to such exercise or conversion, the holder (together with its affiliates) would beneficially own in excess of the Maximum Percentage of the shares of our common stock outstanding immediately after giving effect to such exercise or conversion. By written notice to us, however, the holder may from time to time increase or decrease the Maximum Percentage to any other percentage not in excess of 9.99%
- (11) Does not include 305,324 shares of our common stock issuable upon exercise of a warrant or 54,569 shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of the Series B Preferred. Under the terms of this warrant and the Series B Preferred, the holder does not have the right to exercise the warrant or convert the Series B Preferred to the extent that after giving effect to such exercise or conversion, the holder (together with its affiliates) would beneficially own in excess of the Maximum Percentage of the shares of our common stock outstanding immediately after giving effect to such exercise or conversion. By written notice to us, however, the holder may from time to time increase or decrease the Maximum Percentage to any other percentage not in excess of 9.99%.
- (12)The number of shares beneficially owned before the offering consists of 2,276,359 shares of our common stock and does not include 750,000 shares of our common stock issuable upon the conversion of shares of Series A Preferred stock ("Series A Preferred"), 750,000 shares of our common stock issuable upon exercise of a warrant or 399,157 shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of Series B Preferred. Under the terms of this warrant, the holder does not have the right to exercise the warrant to the extent that after giving effect to such exercise, the holder (together with its affiliates) would beneficially own in excess of the Maximum Percentage of the shares of our common stock outstanding immediately after giving effect to such exercise. Similarly, under the terms of the Series A Preferred and the Series B Preferred, the holder does not have the right to convert the Series A Preferred or the Series B Preferred (subject to certain limited exceptions) to the extent that after giving effect to such conversion, the holder (together with its affiliates) would beneficially own in excess of the Maximum Percentage of the shares of our common stock outstanding immediately after giving effect to such conversion. By written notice to us, however, the holder may from time to time increase or decrease the Maximum Percentage with respect to either or both of the warrant, the Series A Preferred and the Series B Preferred to any other percentage not in excess of 9.99%. The number of shares beneficially owned after the offering consists of 2,276,359 shares of our common stock owned by Broadfin Healthcare Master Fund, Ltd and 851,392 shares of our common stock issuable upon the conversion of shares of Series B Preferred, but does not include 399,157 shares of Series B Preferred, the conversion of which cannot exceed the Maximum Percentage. Kevin Kotler in his capacity as investment manager of Broadfin Health Master Fund, Ltd., may also be deemed to have investment discretion and voting power over the shares held by that selling stockholder. Mr. Kotler disclaims any beneficial ownership of these shares.
- (13) The numbers of shares beneficially owned before the offering does not include 525,000 shares of our common stock issuable upon exercise of a warrant. Under the terms of this warrant, the holder does not have the right to exercise the warrant to the extent that after giving effect to such exercise, the holder (together with its affiliates) would beneficially own in excess of the Maximum Percentage of the shares of our common stock outstanding immediately after giving effect to such exercise. By written notice to us, however, the holder may from time to time increase or decrease the Maximum Percentage to any other percentage not in excess of 9.99%. venBio Select Fund LLC also manages an investment account on behalf of 2B LLC and may also be deemed to have investment discretion and voting power over the 227,952 shares held by 2B LLC. Behzad Aghazadeh, in his capacity as portfolio manager of venBio Select Fund LLC may also be deemed to have investment discretion and voting power over securities held by venBio Select Fund LLC and the 2B LLC managed account. Mr. Aghazadeh disclaims any beneficial ownership of the reported securities
- (14) Brian Wornow in his capacity as investment manager of Doverhill Partners LLC, may also be deemed to have investment discretion and voting power over the shares held by that selling stockholder. Mr. Wornow disclaims any beneficial ownership of these shares.
- (15) Peter D. Kozlowski, the Managing Director of Windward Venture Partners, has investment discretion and voting power over the shares held by that selling stockholder.
- (16) The investment advisor of this selling stockholder is Ayer Capital Management, LP (the "Advisor"). ACM Capital Partners, LLC ("ACM") is the general partner of the Advisor, and Ayer Capital Partners, LLC is the general partner of the selling stockholder. Jay Venkatesan, one of this company's directors, is the managing member of ACM and Ayer Capital Partners LLC.

#### **Relationships with Selling Stockholders**

All selling stockholders, other than those discussed below, are investors who have had no position, office, or other material relationship (other than as purchasers of securities) with us or any of our affiliates within the past three years. Based on representations made to us by the selling stockholders, except as noted below, no selling stockholder is a registered broker-dealer or an affiliate of a registered broker-dealer.

Wayne P. Rothbaum is the Managing Member of Quogue Capital LLC. Mr. Rothbaum is a member of our Board of Directors.

On June 7, 2016, we raised gross proceeds of \$100 million in a private placement (the "2016 Private Placement"). The following selling stockholders who are included in this prospectus also invested in the 2016 Private Placement: Quogue Capital LLC, Broadfin Healthcare Master Fund, Ltd., Perceptive Life Sciences Master Fund Ltd., venBio Select Fund LLC, Acuta Opportunity Fund, LP (formerly Three Arch Opportunity Fund), Michael Weiser and Jason Stein. The foregoing selling stockholders purchased a total of \$45,400,000 of securities in the 2016 Private Placement. In connection with the 2016 Private Placement, we entered into a purchase agreement and a registration rights agreement with Quogue Capital LLC and the other institutional and accredited investors in that offering. The purchase agreement included certain provisions requiring that the number of directors constituting the full Board of Directors of our company be increased from five to seven directors and that Mr. Rothbaum be appointed to serve on our Board of Directors. On June 1, 2016, the size of our Board was increased to seven directors, and on June 7, 2016 Mr. Rothbaum joined our Board. In the purchase agreement, we also agreed to appoint Iain Dukes to the Board of Directors effective at a future date, and that, until the earlier of (i) the date Quogue Capital LLC, an affiliate of Mr. Rothbaum, beneficially owns less than 5% of our outstanding common stock, and (ii) June 30, 2017, which we refer to as the "effective period," we will take no other foregoing, in each case, without the prior written consent of Quogue Capital. During the effective period, we also agreed that either Mr. Rothbaum or Dr. Dukes was appointed to our Board on August 4, 2016. On August 16, 2016, Mr. Rothbaum was appointed to our Compensation Committee, and Dr. Dukes was appointed to our Nominating and Governance Committee and our Audit Committee.

Jay Venkatesan has been a member of our Board of Directors since September 3, 2013. Through his affiliates ACM Capital Partners LLC, Ayer Capital Management, LP, and Ayer Capital Management, LP., Dr. Venkatesan manages the investments. In the May 22, 2013, this company restructured certain of its outstanding indebtedness and its warrants. As part of that restructuring, Ayer Capital Partners Master Fund, L.P., Ayer Capital Partners Kestrel Fund, LP, and Epworth-Ayer Capital (i) converted approximately \$5.32 million of senior secured promissory notes and other indebtedness (including accrued interest and penalties) into shares of our common stock, (ii) purchased additional shares of common stock for \$1.00 per share, received additional shares for no additional consideration, and (iii) exchanged warrants for the purchase of 33,604 shares of capital stock into shares of common stock. The 2,756,386 shares of common stock owned by Ayer Capital Partners Master Fund, L.P. and included in this prospectus, and the 66,947 shares owned by Ayer Capital Partners Kestrel Fund, LP. and included in this prospectus, were received in the May 2013 restructuring.

Merrill McPeak is a member of our Board of Directors. As compensation for his services as a director of this company (including for his services as our lead director and as a member of various committees of the Board of Directors), during the three years preceding the date of this prospectus, General Merrill McPeak has received \$158,750 in fees and options to purchase a total of 160,000 shares of common stock.

Roth Capital Partners LLC acted as lead placement agent in the 2013 Private Placement. As compensation for it services in the 2013 Private Placement, Roth Capital Partners LLC received a Warrant to purchase 544,369 shares of common stock and \$896,608 of cash compensation. Roth Capital Partners LLC is a registered broker-dealer. Roth Capital Partners LLC received its November 2013 Warrant in the ordinary course of business for services rendered in the 2013 Private Placement, and at the time that it received the November 2013 Warrant, we had no agreements or understandings, directly or indirectly, with Roth Capital Partners LLC, or other person, to distribute the November 2013 Warrant or the underlying securities.

William Gould, David Ficksman, and Martin Goldblum are attorneys at TroyGould PC, a law firm. TroyGould PC has, since February 2011, from time to time acted as one of the company's corporate/securities counsel. Members of TroyGould PC purchased \$210,000 of common stock and November 2013 Warrants in the 2013 Private Placement.

Charles F. Richter is the husband of Elma Hawkins. Dr. Hawkins was our President, Chief Executive Officer and a director until June 1, 2016.

Manish Singh was our Chief Executive Officer until December 31, 2014.

The information in the above table is as of the date of this prospectus. Information concerning the selling stockholders may change from time to time and any such changed information will be described in supplements to this prospectus if and when necessary.

## PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

The selling stockholders, which, as used herein, includes donees, pledgees, transferees or other successors-in-interest selling shares of common stock or interests in shares of common stock received after the date of this prospectus from a selling stockholder as a gift, pledge, partnership distribution or other transfer, may, from time to time, sell, transfer or otherwise dispose of any or all of their shares of common stock or interests in shares of common stock on any stock exchange, market or trading facility on which the shares are traded or in private transactions. These dispositions may be at fixed prices, at prevailing market prices at the time of sale, at prices related to the prevailing market price, at varying prices determined at the time of sale, or at negotiated prices.

The selling stockholders may use any one or more of the following methods when disposing of shares or interests therein:

- · ordinary brokerage transactions and transactions in which the broker-dealer solicits purchasers;
- block trades in which the broker-dealer will attempt to sell the shares as agent, but may position and resell a portion of the block as principal to facilitate the transaction;
- purchases by a broker-dealer as principal and resale by the broker-dealer for its account;
- an exchange distribution in accordance with the rules of the applicable exchange;
- privately negotiated transactions;

- short sales effected after the date the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part is declared effective by the SEC;
- through the writing or settlement of options or other hedging transactions, whether through an options exchange or otherwise;
- broker-dealers may agree with the selling stockholders to sell a specified number of such shares at a stipulated price per share;
- · a combination of any such methods of sale; and
- any other method permitted by applicable law.

The selling stockholders may, from time to time, pledge or grant a security interest in some or all of the shares of common stock owned by them and, if they default in the performance of their secured obligations, the pledgees or secured parties may offer and sell the shares of common stock, from time to time, under this prospectus, or under an amendment to this prospectus under Rule 424(b)(3) or other applicable provision of the Securities Act amending the list of selling stockholders to include the pledgee, transferee or other successors in interest as selling stockholders under this prospectus. The selling stockholders also may transfer the shares of common stock in other circumstances, in which case the transferees, pledgees or other successors in interest will be the selling beneficial owners for purposes of this prospectus.

In connection with the sale of our common stock or interests therein, the selling stockholders may enter into hedging transactions with broker-dealers or other financial institutions, which may in turn engage in short sales of the common stock in the course of hedging the positions they assume. The selling stockholders may also sell shares of our common stock short and deliver these securities to close out their short positions, or loan or pledge the common stock to broker-dealers that in turn may sell these securities. The selling stockholders may also enter into option or other transactions with broker-dealers or other financial institutions or the creation of one or more derivative securities which require the delivery to such broker-dealer or other financial institution of shares offered by this prospectus, which shares such broker-dealer or other financial institution may resell pursuant to this prospectus (as supplemented or amended to reflect such transaction).

The aggregate proceeds to the selling stockholders from the sale of the common stock offered by them will be the purchase price of the common stock less discounts or commissions, if any. Each of the selling stockholders reserves the right to accept and, together with their agents from time to time, to reject, in whole or in part, any proposed purchase of common stock to be made directly or through agents. We will not receive any of the proceeds from this offering.

The selling stockholders also may resell all or a portion of the shares in open market transactions in reliance upon Rule 144 under the Securities Act, provided that they meet the criteria and conform to the requirements of that rule.

The selling stockholders and any underwriters, broker-dealers or agents that participate in the sale of the common stock or interests therein may be "underwriters" within the meaning of Section 2(11) of the Securities Act. Any discounts, commissions, concessions or profit they earn on any resale of the shares may be underwriting discounts and commissions under the Securities Act. Selling stockholders who are "underwriters" within the meaning of Section 2(11) of the Securities Act. Selling stockholders who are "underwriters" within the meaning of Section 2(11) of the Securities Act.

To the extent required, the shares of our common stock to be sold, the names of the selling stockholders, the respective purchase prices and public offering prices, the names of any agents, dealer or underwriter, any applicable commissions or discounts with respect to a particular offer will be set forth in an accompanying prospectus supplement or, if appropriate, a post-effective amendment to the registration statement that includes this prospectus.

In order to comply with the securities laws of some states, if applicable, the common stock may be sold in these jurisdictions only through registered or licensed brokers or dealers. In addition, in some states the common stock may not be sold unless it has been registered or qualified for sale or an exemption from registration or qualification requirements is available and is complied with.

We have advised the selling stockholders that the anti-manipulation rules of Regulation M under the Exchange Act may apply to sales of shares in the market and to the activities of the selling stockholders and their affiliates. In addition, to the extent applicable we will make copies of this prospectus (as it may be supplemented or amended from time to time) available to the selling stockholders for the purpose of satisfying the prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act. The selling stockholders may indemnify any broker-dealer that participates in transactions involving the sale of the shares against certain liabilities, including liabilities arising under the Securities Act.

We have agreed to indemnify the selling stockholders against liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act and state securities laws, relating to the registration of the shares offered by this prospectus.

We have agreed with the selling stockholders to keep the registration statement of which this prospectus constitutes a part effective until the earlier of (1) such time as all of the shares covered by this prospectus have been disposed of pursuant to and in accordance with the registration statement or (2) the date on which all of the shares may be sold without restriction pursuant to Rule 144 of the Securities Act.

### **DESCRIPTION OF SECURITIES**

The following is a summary of all material characteristics of our capital stock as set forth in our certificate of incorporation and bylaws. Copies of these documents are filed or incorporated by reference as exhibits to the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part.

We are presently authorized to issue 150,000,000 shares of \$0.000041666 par value common stock, of which 62,680,390 shares were issued and outstanding as of June 30, 2017, and 50,000,000 shares of \$0.001 par value preferred stock, of which 17,000 shares have been designated as Series A Convertible Preferred Stock, or Series A Preferred, and 11,500,000 shares are designated as Series B Preferred Stock, or Series B Preferred. As of June 30, 2017, there were outstanding 1,694 Series A Preferred shares and 7,946,673 Series B Preferred shares. There is no other series of shares of our preferred stock currently authorized.

#### **Common Stock**

Holders of our common stock are entitled to one vote per share on all matters to be voted upon by selling stockholders and do not have cumulative voting rights in the election of directors. Holders of our common stock are entitled to receive on a pro rata basis such dividends, if any, as may be declared from time to time by our board of directors in its discretion from funds legally available for that use, subject to any preferential dividend rights of outstanding preferred stock. They are also entitled to share on a pro rata basis in any distribution to our common stockholders upon our liquidation, dissolution or winding up, subject to the prior rights of any outstanding preferred stock. Common stockholders do not have preemptive rights to subscribe to any additional stock issuances by us, and they do not have the right to require the redemption of their shares or the conversion of their shares into any other class of our stock. The rights, preferences and privileges of holders of common stock are subject to, and may be adversely affected by, the rights of the holders of any series of preferred stock that we may designate and issue in the future.

### **Preferred Stock**

Under our certificate of incorporation, our board of directors has the authority, without further action by our stockholders, to designate one or more series of preferred stock and to fix the voting powers, designations, preferences, limitations, restrictions and relative rights granted to or imposed upon the preferred stock, including dividend rights, conversion rights, voting rights, rights and terms of redemption, liquidation preference and sinking fund terms, any or all of which may be preferential to or greater than the rights of the common stock.

Our board of directors may authorize the issuance of preferred stock with voting or conversion rights that could adversely affect the voting power or other rights of the holders of the common stock. The issuance of preferred stock, while providing flexibility in connection with possible acquisitions and other corporate purposes, could, among other things, have the effect of delaying, deferring or preventing a change in our control and may adversely affect the market price of the common stock and the voting and other rights of the holders of common stock.

#### Series A Convertible Preferred Stock

The following is a summary of the rights of the Series A Preferred as set forth in the Certificate of Designations of Rights, Preferences and Privileges of the Series A Preferred (the "Certificate of Designations of Series A Preferred") made part of our certificate of incorporation.

The Series A Preferred may, at the option of the holder, be converted at any time or from time to time into shares of our common stock at the conversion price in effect at the time of conversion, except that, subject to certain exceptions, no holder of Series B Preferred may convert the Series B Preferred if, after giving effect to the conversion, the holder and all affiliated persons would own beneficially more than 4.99% of our common stock (subject to adjustment to up to 9.99% solely at the holder's discretion upon 61 days' prior notice to us). The number of shares into which Series A Preferred shares are convertible is determined by dividing the stated value of \$1,000 per Series A Preferred share by the conversion price of \$2.00, which is subject to appropriate adjustment for certain events, including stock splits, stock dividends, combinations, recapitalizations or other recapitalizations affecting the common stock.

The Series A Preferred will automatically be converted into common stock at the then applicable conversion price (i) upon the written consent of the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of Series A Preferred or (ii) if required by us to be able to list our common stock on a national securities exchange, subject to the beneficial ownership conversion limitations set forth above.

Except as otherwise required by law, the holders of shares of Series A Preferred do not have the right to vote on matters that come before the selling stockholders; provided, that we may not, without the prior written consent of a majority of the outstanding Series A Preferred: (i) amend, alter, or repeal any provision of our certificate of incorporation (including the Certificate of Designations of Series A Preferred) or bylaws in a manner adverse to the Series A Preferred; (ii) create or authorize the creation of or issue any other security convertible into or exercisable for any equity security, having rights, preferences or privileges senior to or on parity with the Series A Preferred, or increase the authorized number of shares of Series A Preferred; or (iii) enter into any agreement with respect to any of the foregoing.

In the event of any dissolution or winding up of our company, whether voluntary or involuntary, the proceeds would be paid *pari passu* among the holders of shares of our common stock, Series A Preferred and Series B Preferred, pro rata based on the number of shares held by each such holder, treating for this purpose all such securities as if they had been converted to common stock.

We may not declare, pay or set aside any dividends on shares of any class or series of our capital stock (other than dividends on shares of common stock payable in shares of common stock) unless the holders of the Series A Preferred shall first receive, or simultaneously receive, an equal dividend on each outstanding share of Series A Preferred.

#### Series B Preferred Stock

The following is a summary of the rights of the Series B Preferred as set forth in the Certificate of Designations of Rights, Preferences and Privileges of the Series B Preferred (the "Certificate of Designations of Series B Preferred") made part of our certificate of incorporation:

The shares of Series B Preferred are convertible at the option of each holder at any time or from time to time into shares of our common stock, except that, subject to certain exceptions, no holder of Series B Preferred may convert the Series B Preferred if, after giving effect to the conversion, the holder and all affiliated persons would own beneficially more than 4.99% of our common stock (subject to adjustment to up to 9.99% solely at the holder's discretion upon 61 days' prior notice to us). The number of shares into which Series B Preferred shares are convertible is determined by dividing the stated value of \$4.75 per Series B Preferred share by the conversion price of \$4.75, which is subject to appropriate adjustment in the event of a stock split, stock dividend, combination or other recapitalization affecting our common stock.

Holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of Series B Preferred are entitled to elect to cause all of the outstanding shares of the Series B Preferred to be converted into shares of common stock, subject to the beneficial ownership limitations set forth above.

Except as otherwise required by law, the holders of Series B Preferred have no right to vote on matters submitted to a vote of our selling stockholders. Without the prior written consent of a majority of the outstanding shares of Series B Preferred, however, we may not: (i) amend our certificate of incorporation (including the Certificate of Designations of Series B Preferred) or other charter documents in a manner adverse to the Series B Preferred; (ii) create or authorize the creation of any other security convertible into or exercisable for any equity security ranking as to dividends, redemption or distribution of assets upon a liquidation senior to, the Series B Preferred, or increase the authorized number of shares of Series B Preferred; or (iii) enter into any agreement with respect to any of the foregoing.

In the event of the dissolution and winding up of our company, the proceeds available for distribution to our selling stockholders would be paid *pari passu* among the holders of shares of our common stock, Series A Preferred and Series B Preferred, pro rata based upon the number of shares held by each such holder, treating for this purpose all such securities as if they had been converted into our common stock.

Holders of Series B Preferred are entitled to dividends on an as-if-converted basis in the same form as any dividends actually paid on shares of our Series A Preferred or other securities. So long as any Series B Preferred remains outstanding, we may not redeem, purchase or otherwise acquire any material amount of our Series A Preferred or other securities.

#### Anti-Takeover Effects of Certain Charter and Bylaw Provisions and Delaware Law

The following provisions of our certificate of incorporation and bylaws could have the effect of delaying or discouraging another party from acquiring control of us and could encourage persons seeking to acquire control of us to first negotiate with our board of directors:

our bylaws provide that a special meeting of the stockholders may be called at any time by our board, chairperson of the board, chief executive officer or president, but do not permit our stockholders to call a special meeting of stockholders;

- our bylaws provide that our board of directors will establish the authorized number of directors from time to time;
- our certificate of incorporation does not permit cumulative voting in the election of directors; and
- our certificate of incorporation permits our board of directors to determine the rights, privileges and preferences of any new series of preferred stock, some of which could impede the ability of a person to acquire control of our company.

We are subject to Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law. This law prohibits a publicly held Delaware corporation from engaging in any business combination with any interested stockholder for a period of three years following the date that the stockholder became an interested stockholder unless:

- prior to the date of the transaction, the board of directors of the corporation approved either the business combination or the transaction which resulted in the stockholder becoming an interested stockholder;
- upon consummation of the transaction that resulted in the stockholder becoming an interested stockholder, the interested stockholder owned at least 85% of the voting stock of the corporation outstanding at the time the transaction commenced, excluding for purposes of determining the number of shares outstanding those shares owned by persons who are directors and also officers and by employee stock plans in which employee participants do not have the right to determine confidentially whether shares held subject to the plan will be tendered in a tender or exchange offer; or
- on or subsequent to the date of the transaction, the business combination is approved by the board of directors and authorized at an annual or special meeting of selling stockholders, and not by written consent, by the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the outstanding voting stock which is not owned by the interested stockholder.

Section 203 defines "business combination" to include:

- any merger or consolidation involving the corporation and the interested stockholder;
- any sale, transfer, pledge or other disposition of 10% or more of our assets involving the interested stockholder;
- in general, any transaction that results in the issuance or transfer by us of any of our stock to the interested stockholder; or
- the receipt by the interested stockholder of the benefit of any loans, advances, guarantees, pledges or other financial benefits provided by or through the corporation.

In general, Section 203 defines an "interested stockholder" as an entity or person beneficially owning 15% or more of the outstanding voting stock of the corporation and any entity or person affiliated with or controlling or controlled by the entity or person.

The transfer agent for our common stock is Continental Stock Transfer and Trust Company, 7 Battery Place, 8th Floor New York, New York 10004.

## DISCLOSURE OF SEC POSITION ON INDEMNIFICATION FOR SECURITIES ACT LIABILITIES

Our certificate of incorporation provides that, to the maximum extent permitted under applicable law, none of our directors will have any personal liability to us or our selling stockholders for damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director.

Section 102(b)(7) of the Delaware General Corporation Law allows a corporation to provide in its certificate of incorporation that a director of the corporation will not be personally liable to the corporation or its selling stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director, except where the director breached the duty of loyalty, failed to act in good faith, engaged in intentional misconduct or knowingly violated a law, authorized the payment of a dividend or approved a stock repurchase in violation of Delaware corporate law or obtained an improper personal benefit. Our certificate of incorporation provides for this limitation of liability.

Section 145 of the Delaware General Corporation Law provides, among other things, that a Delaware corporation may indemnify any person who was, is or is threatened to be made, party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (other than an action by or in the right of such corporation), by reason of the fact that such person is or was an officer, director, employee or agent of such corporation or is or was serving at the request of such corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation or enterprise. The indemnity may include expenses (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection with such action, suit or proceeding, provided such person acted in good faith and in a manner he or she reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the corporation by reason of the fact that such person is or was unlawful. A Delaware corporation may indemnify any persons who were or are a party to any threatened, pending or completed action or suit by or in the right of the corporation by reason of the fact that such person is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation or enterprise. The indemnity may include expenses (including attorneys' fees) actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection with the defense or settlement of such action or suit, provided such person acted in good faith and in a manner he or she reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the corporation is permitted without judicial approval if the officer, director, employee or agent is adjudged to be liable to the corporation. Where an officer or director is successful on the merits or otherwise in the defense of any action referred to above, the corporation must indemnify him or her against the expenses (including attorneys' fees) which such officer or director has actually and reasonably incurred.

Our certificate of incorporation and bylaws provide for indemnification of our officers and directors to the fullest extent permitted by the Delaware General Corporation Law.

We also have entered into indemnification agreements with our directors and certain of our officers in which we agree, among other things, to indemnify them against certain liabilities that may arise by reason of their status or service as officers or directors.

We maintain a general liability insurance policy that covers certain liabilities of our officers and directors arising out of claims based on acts or omissions in their capacities as such.

## LEGAL MATTERS

TroyGould PC, Los Angeles, California, has rendered an opinion with respect to the validity of the shares of common stock covered by this prospectus. Sanford J. Hillsberg, one of our directors, is an attorney with TroyGould PC. Some of the attorneys at TroyGould PC, including Mr. Hillsberg, own shares of our common stock constituting in the aggregate less than 1% of our outstanding shares of common stock.

#### EXPERTS

Our financial statements as of December 31, 2016 and for the year then ended, and management's assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2016 incorporated by reference into this prospectus have been so incorporated in reliance on the reports of Marcum LLP, independent registered public accounting firm, upon the authority of said firm as experts in auditing and accounting.

Our financial statements as of December 31, 2015 and 2014 and for the years then ended, incorporated by reference into this prospectus have been so incorporated in reliance on the reports of Weinberg & Company, P.A., independent registered public accounting firm, upon the authority of said firm as experts in auditing and accounting.

#### WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We have filed with the SEC a registration statement with respect to this offering of our common stock. This prospectus, which constitutes a part of the registration statement, does not contain all of the information set forth in the registration statement, some items of which are contained in exhibits to the registration statement as permitted by the rules and regulations of the SEC. Statements contained in this prospectus as to the contents of any contract, agreement or other document are summaries of the material terms of that contract, agreement or other document. With respect to each of these contracts, agreements or other documents filed or incorporated by reference as an exhibit to the registration statement, reference is made to the exhibits for a more complete description of the matter involved. A copy of the registration statement, and the exhibits and schedules thereto, may be inspected without charge at the public reference facilities maintained by the SEC at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. Copies of these materials may be obtained by writing to the Public Reference Section of the SEC at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information on the operation of the public reference facilities. The SEC maintains a website that contains reports, proxy and information statements and other information regarding registrants that file electronically with the SEC. The address of the SEC's website is http://www.sec.gov.

We file periodic reports and other information with the SEC. Such periodic reports and other information are available for inspection and photocopying at the public reference room and website of the SEC referred to above. We maintain a website at http://www.iovance.com. You may access our annual reports on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K, and amendments to those reports filed or furnished pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act with the SEC free of charge at our website as soon as reasonably practicable after such material is electronically filed with, or furnished to, the SEC. The information and other content contained on our website are not part of the prospectus.

#### INCORPORATION OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE

The SEC allows us to "incorporate by reference" into this prospectus the information we have filed with the SEC. The information we incorporate by reference into this prospectus is an important part of this prospectus. Any statement in a document we incorporate by reference into this prospectus will be considered to be modified or superseded to the extent a statement contained in this prospectus or any other subsequently filed document that is incorporated by reference into this prospectus modifies or supersedes that statement. The modified or superseded statement will not be considered to be a part of this prospectus, except as modified or superseded.

We hereby incorporate by reference into this prospectus the information contained in the documents listed below, which are considered to be a part of this prospectus:

- our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016 filed with the SEC on March 9, 2017;
- the information contained in our Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A for our 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, as amended, filed with the SEC on April 20, 2017, to the extent incorporated by reference in Part III of the Form 10-K;
- our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2017 filed with the SEC on May 3, 2017;
- our Current Reports on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on March 2, 2017, March 7, 2017, March 31, 2017, April 11, 2017, April 19, 2017, April 21, 2017, May 1, 2017, May 25, 2017, June 2, 2017, June 5, 2017, June 27, 2017, and July 27, 2017, respectively; and
- the description of our common stock contained in our registration statement on Form 8-A filed on February 25, 2015 pursuant to Section 12 of the Exchange Act, as amended by a Form 8-A/A filed on July 27, 2017 and including any amendment or report filed for the purpose of updating such description.

All documents filed by Registrant pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Exchange Act subsequent to the date of this Registration Statement and prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement which indicates that all securities offered hereby have been sold or which deregisters all such securities then remaining unsold, shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference herein and to be a part hereof from the date of filing of such documents. Any statement contained in this Registration Statement, in an amendment hereto or in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this Registration Statement to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any subsequently filed amendment to this Registration Statement or in any document that is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes such statement.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, no portion of any document that is "furnished" but not "filed" in accordance with SEC rules under Exchange Act shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference into the Form S-3 Registration Statement. Any statement contained in the Form S-3 Registration Statement or in a document incorporated by reference into the Form S-3 Registration Statement will be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of the Form S-3 Registration Statement to the extent that a statement contained in the Form S-3 Registration Statement or in any other subsequently filed document that is incorporated by reference into the Form S-3 Registration Statement modifies or supersedes the statement. Any statement so modified or superseded will not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of the Form S-3 Registration Statement.

You may request a copy of any of these filings from us at no cost by writing or calling our Chief Financial Officer at the following address or telephone number: Iovance Biotherapeutics, Inc., 999 Skyway Road, Suite 150, San Carlos, California 94070; Telephone: (650) 260-7120.

# PROSPECTUS

# **IOVANCE BIOTHERAPEUTICS, INC.**

13,993,935 Shares of Common Stock Offered by the Selling Stockholders

The date of this prospectus is \_\_\_\_\_, 2017

### PART II

#### INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

#### Item 14. Other Expenses of Issuance and Distribution.

We estimate that expenses in connection with the distribution described in this registration statement (other than brokerage commissions, discounts or other expenses relating to the sale of the shares by the selling stockholders) will be as set forth below. We will pay all of the expenses with respect to the distribution, and such amounts, with the exception of the Securities and Exchange Commission registration fee, are estimates.

SEC registration fee	\$ 9,030.17
Accounting fees and expenses	37,000
Legal fees and expenses	110,000
Printing and related expenses	5,000.00
Miscellaneous	969.83
Total	\$ 162,000

#### Item 15. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.

The registrant's certificate of incorporation provides that, to the maximum extent permitted under applicable law, none of its directors will have any personal liability to the registrant or its selling stockholders for damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director.

Section 102(b)(7) of the Delaware General Corporation Law allows a corporation to provide in its certificate of incorporation that a director of the corporation will not be personally liable to the corporation or its selling stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director, except where the director breached the duty of loyalty, failed to act in good faith, engaged in intentional misconduct or knowingly violated a law, authorized the payment of a dividend or approved a stock repurchase in violation of Delaware corporate law or obtained an improper personal benefit. The Registrant's certificate of incorporation provides for this limitation of liability.

Section 145 of the Delaware General Corporation Law provides, among other things, that a Delaware corporation may indemnify any person who was, is or is threatened to be made, party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (other than an action by or in the right of such corporation), by reason of the fact that such person is or was an officer, director, employee or agent of such corporation or is or was serving at the request of such corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation or enterprise. The indemnity may include expenses (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection with such action, suit or proceeding, provided such person acted in good faith and in a manner he or she reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the corporation by reason of the fact that such person is or was unlawful. A Delaware corporation may indemnify any persons who were or are a party to any threatened, pending or completed action or suit by or in the right of the corporation by reason of the fact that such person is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation or enterprise. The indemnity may include expenses (including attorneys' fees) actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection with the defense or settlement of such action or suit, provided such person acted in good faith and in a manner he or she reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the corporation is permitted without judicial approval if the officer, director, employee or agent is adjudged to be liable to the corporation. Where an officer or director is successful on the merits or otherwise in the defense of any action referred to above, the corporation must indemnify him or her against the expenses (including attorneys' fees) which such officer or director has actually and reasonably incurred.

The registrant's certificate of incorporation and bylaws provide for indemnification of the registrant's officers and directors to the fullest extent permitted by the Delaware General Corporation Law.

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The registrant also has entered into indemnification agreements with its directors and certain of its officers in which the registrant agrees, among other things, to indemnify them against certain liabilities that may arise by reason of their status or service as officers or directors.

The registrant maintains a general liability insurance policy that covers certain liabilities of its officers and directors arising out of claims based on acts or omissions in their capacities as such.

## Item 16. Exhibits.

The exhibits listed on the Exhibit Index immediately following the signature page hereto are filed herewith or incorporated by reference herein, and such exhibit list is incorporated in this Item 16 by reference.

## Item 17. Undertakings.

- (a) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes:
  - (1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:
    - (i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933;

(ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of this registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in this registration statement; notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than a 20% change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement; and

(iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in this registration statement or any material change to such information in this registration statement; *provided*, *however*, that paragraphs (a)(1)(i), (a)(1)(ii) and (a)(1)(iii) do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in reports filed with or furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission by the registrant pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that are incorporated by reference in this registration statement, or is contained in a form of prospectus filed pursuant to Rule 424(b) that is part of this registration statement.

(2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.

(4) That, for the purpose of determining liability under the Securities Act of 1933 to any purchaser:

(i) Each prospectus filed by the registrant pursuant to Rule 424(b)(3) shall be deemed to be part of this registration statement as of the date the filed prospectus was deemed part of and included in this registration statement; and

(ii) Each prospectus required to be filed pursuant to Rule 424(b)(2), (b)(5), or (b)(7) as part of a registration statement in reliance on Rule 430B relating to an offering made pursuant to Rule 415(a)(1)(i), (vii), or (x) for the purpose of providing the information required by Section 10(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 shall be deemed to be part of and included in this registration statement as of the earlier of the date such form of prospectus is first used after effectiveness or the date of the first contract of sale of securities in the offering described in the prospectus. As provided in Rule 430B, for liability purposes of the issuer and any person that is at that date an underwriter, such date shall be deemed to be a new effective date of this registration statement relating to the securities in this registration statement to which that prospectus relates, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof; *provided*, *however*, that no statement made in a registration statement or prospectus that is a part of this registration statement will, as to a purchaser with a time of contract sale prior to such effective date, supersede or modify any statement that was made in this registration statement or prospectus that was a part of this registration statement or made in any such document immediately prior to such effective date.

(5) That, for the purpose of determining liability of the registrant under the Securities Act of 1933 to any purchaser in the initial distribution of securities, the undersigned registrant undertakes that in a primary offering of securities of the undersigned registrant pursuant to this registration statement, regardless of the underwriting method used to sell the securities to the purchaser, if the securities are offered or sold to such purchaser by means of any of the following communications, the undersigned registrant will be a seller to the purchaser and will be considered to offer or sell such securities to such purchaser:

pursuant to Rule 424;

(i)

Any preliminary prospectus or prospectus of the undersigned registrant relating to the offering required to be filed

(ii) Any free writing prospectus relating to the offering prepared by or on behalf of the undersigned registrant or used or referred to by the undersigned registrant;

(iii) The portion of any other free writing prospectus relating to the offering containing material information about the undersigned registrant or its securities provided by or on behalf of the undersigned registrant; and

(iv) Any other communication that is an offer in the offering made by the undersigned registrant to the purchaser.

(b) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each filing of the registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) that is incorporated by reference in this registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial *bona fide* offering thereof.

(c) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act of 1933 and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act of 1933 and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

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## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-3 and has duly caused this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in San Carlos, California, on July 31, 2017.

## IOVANCE BIOTHERAPEUTICS, INC.

By: /s/ MARIA FARDIS Maria Fardis President and Chief Executive Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the date indicated.

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ MARIA FARDIS Maria Fardis, Ph.D.	President and Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)	July 31, 2017
/s/ FRANCO VALLE Franco Valle	Controller (Principal Accounting Officer and Interim Principal Financial Officer)	July 31, 2017
* Merrill A. McPeak	Director	July 31, 2017
* Jay Venkatesan	— Director	July 31, 2017
* Sanford J. Hillsberg	Director	July 31, 2017
* Wayne Rothbaum	Director	July 31, 2017
* Ryan Maynard	Director	July 31, 2017
* Iain Dukes	Director	July 31, 2017

\* The undersigned, by signing her name hereto, does hereby execute this registration statement on behalf of the directors of Iovance Biotherapeutics, Inc. listed above pursuant to the Power of Attorney filed as Exhibit 24.1 to the registration statement.

By: /s/ MARIA FARDIS Maria Fardis, Ph.D. Attorney-in-Fact

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## EXHIBIT INDEX

ibit	Description
2.1	Plan of Conversion (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 2.1 to Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on June 2, 2017.)
3.1	Articles of Conversion (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on June 2, 2017).
3.2	Certificate of Conversion (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.2 of Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on June 2, 2017.)
3.3	Certificate of Incorporation of Registrant (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.3 of Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on June 2, 2017.)
3.4	Certificate of Designations of Rights, Preferences and Privileges of Series A Convertible Preferred Stock.*
3.5	Certificate of Designations of Rights, Preferences and Privileges of Series B Preferred Stock.*
3.6	Certificate of Amendment of Certificate of Incorporation of Registrant (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on June 27, 2017.)
3.7	Bylaws of Registrant (incorporated herein by reference to the Exhibit 3.4 to Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on June 2, 2017).
3.8	Amendment to the Bylaws of Registrant (incorporated herein by reference to the Exhibit 3.2 to Registrant's Current Report on Form 8 filed with the Commission on June 27, 2017).
5.1	Opinion of TroyGould PC.*
10.1	Securities Purchase Agreement, dated as of October 30, 2013, by and among Lion Biotechnologies, Inc. and the Investors thereunder (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on Octol 31, 2013).
10.2	Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of November 5, 2013, by and among Lion Biotechnologies, Inc. and the Investors under the Securities Purchase Agreement (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.2 of the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K file with the Commission on October 31, 2013).
10.3	Securities Purchase Agreement, dated as of June 2, 2016, by and among Lion Biotechnologies, Inc. and the Investors thereunder (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on June 2016).
10.4	Registration Rights Agreement, dated June 2, 2016, by and among Lion Biotechnologies, Inc. and the Investors thereunder (incorpora herein by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on June 3, 2016).
23.1	Consent of Marcum LLP.*
23.2	Consent of Weinberg & Company, P.A.*
23.3	Consent of TroyGould PC (included in Exhibit 5.1)
24.1	Power of Attorney**

\*\* Previously filed.

#### CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION OF RIGHTS, PREFERENCES AND PRIVILEGES OF SERIES A CONVERTIBLE PREFERRED STOCK OF LION BIOTECHNOLOGIES, INC.

## PURSUANT TO SECTION 151 OF THE DELAWARE GENERAL CORPORATION LAW

Lion Biotechnologies, Inc. a Delaware corporation, organized and existing under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "Corporation"), by its Chief Executive Officer:

DOES HEREBY CERTIFY:

FIRST: That, pursuant to authority expressly vested in the Board of Directors of the Corporation (the "Board of Directors") by the provisions of its certificate of incorporation (the "Certificate of Incorporation"), the Board of Directors duly adopted by unanimous written consent the following resolution providing for the designation of 17,000 shares of Series A Convertible Preferred Stock, \$.001 per share:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors, pursuant to authority expressly vested in it by the provisions of the Certificate of Incorporation of the Corporation, hereby authorizes the issuance from time to time of the Series A Convertible Preferred Stock of the Corporation and hereby fixes the powers, designations, preferences, limitations, restrictions and relative rights of the Series A Convertible Preferred Stock of the Corporation, in addition to those set forth in said Certificate of Incorporation, to be in their entirety as follows.

Section 1. Definitions. For the purposes hereof, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

"<u>Affiliate</u>" means any Person that, directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controls or is controlled by or is under common control with a Person, as such terms are used in and construed under Rule 405 of the Securities Act.

"Alternate Consideration" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7(d).

"Beneficial Ownership Limitation" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6(d).

"Board of Directors" means the board of directors of the Corporation.

"<u>Business Day</u>" means any day except any Saturday, any Sunday, any day which is a federal legal holiday in the United States or any day on which banking institutions in the State of New York are authorized or required by law or other governmental action to close. "Buy-In" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6(c)(iv).

"<u>Certificate of Designation</u>" means this Certificate of Designation of Rights, Preferences and Privileges of the Series A Convertible Preferred Stock.

"<u>Change of Control Transaction</u>" means the occurrence after the date hereof of any of (a) an acquisition after the date hereof by an individual or legal entity or "group" (as described in Rule 13d-5(b)(1) promulgated under the Exchange Act) of effective control (whether through legal or beneficial ownership of capital stock of the Corporation, by contract or otherwise) of in excess of 50% of the voting securities of the Corporation (other than by means of conversion or exercise of Preferred Stock and the Securities issued together with the Preferred Stock or upon conversion of any currently outstanding convertible securities in accordance with the terms thereof as in effect on the date hereof), (b) the Corporation merges into or consolidates with any other Person, or any Person merges into or consolidates with the Corporation immediately prior to such transaction own less than 51% of the aggregate voting power of the Corporation or the successor entity of such transaction, (c) the Corporation sells or transfers all or substantially all of its assets to another Person and the stockholders of the Corporation immediately prior to such transaction own less than 51% of the aggregate voting power of the acquiring entity immediately after the transaction, (d) a replacement at one time or within a one year period of more than one-half of the members of the Board of Directors which is not approved by a majority of those individuals who are members on the Original Issue Date (or by those individuals who are serving as members of the Board of Directors on any date whose nomination to the Board of Directors was approved by a majority of the members of the Board of Directors who are members on the Original Issue Date), or (e) the execution by the Corporation of an agreement to which the Corporation is a party or by which it is bound, providing for any of the events set forth in clauses (a) through (d) above.

"<u>Closing</u>" means the closing of the purchase and sale of the Securities pursuant to Section 1.2 of the Purchase Agreement.

"<u>Closing Date</u>" means the Trading Day on which all of the Transaction Documents have been executed and delivered by the applicable parties thereto and all conditions precedent to (i) each Holder's obligations to pay the Purchase Price and (ii) the Corporation's obligations to deliver the Securities have been satisfied or waived.

"Commission" means the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.

"<u>Common Stock</u>" means the Corporation's common stock, par value \$0.000041666 per share, and stock of any other class of securities into which such securities may hereafter be reclassified or changed.

"<u>Common Stock Equivalents</u>" means any securities of the Corporation or the Subsidiaries which would entitle the holder thereof to acquire at any time Common Stock, including, without limitation, any debt, preferred stock, rights, options, warrants or other instrument that is at any time convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for, or otherwise entitles the holder thereof to receive, Common Stock.

"<u>Conversion Amount</u>" means the sum of the Stated Value at issue.

"Conversion Date" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6(a).

"<u>Conversion Price</u>" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6(b).

"<u>Conversion Shares</u>" means, collectively, the shares of Common Stock issuable upon conversion of the shares of Preferred Stock in accordance with the terms hereof.

"<u>Conversion Shares Registration Statement</u>" means a registration statement that registers the resale of all Conversion Shares, so long as such Conversion Shares are Registrable Securities, of the Holders, who shall be named as "selling stockholders" therein and meets the requirements of the Registration Rights Agreement.

"Corporation" means Lion Biotechnologies, Inc., a Delaware corporation.

"<u>Effective Date</u>" means the date that the initial Registration Statement filed by the Corporation pursuant to the Registration Rights Agreement is first declared effective by the Commission.

"Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

"Exempt Issuance" means the issuance of (a) shares of Common Stock or options to employees, consultants, officers or directors of the Corporation pursuant to any stock or option plan duly adopted for such purpose, by a majority of the non-employee members of the Board of Directors of the Corporation or a majority of the members of a committee of non-employee directors established for such purpose, (b) securities upon the exercise or exchange of or conversion of any securities issued pursuant to the Purchase Agreement and/or other securities exercisable or exchangeable for or convertible into shares of Common Stock issued and outstanding on the date of the Purchase Agreement or as disclosed in the Corporation's disclosure schedules to the Purchase Agreement, provided that such securities have not been amended on or after the date of the Purchase Agreement to increase the number of such securities or to decrease the exercise price, exchange price or conversion price of such securities and (c) securities issued pursuant to acquisitions or strategic transactions approved by a majority of the disinterested directors of the Corporation, provided that any such issuance shall only be to a Person (or to the equityholders of a Person) which is, itself or through its subsidiaries, an operating company or an owner of an asset in a business synergistic with the business of the Corporation and shall provide to the Corporation additional benefits in addition to the investment of funds, but shall not include a transaction in which the Corporation is issuing securities primarily for the purpose of raising capital or to an entity whose primary business is investing in securities, (d) Common Stock and/or Common Stock purchase warrants as payment, in full or part, for up to an aggregate of up to \$2,000,000 of liabilities and other indebtedness owed by the Corporation as of the date of this Agreement to certain of its vendors, creditors, professionals and other obligees, (e) up to 2,690,000 shares of Common Stock issuable by the Corporation pursuant to the provisions of that certain Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated July 24, 2013, between the Corporation, Lion Biotechnologies, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and Genesis Biopharma Sub, Inc., a Delaware corporation and newly formed merger subsidiary wholly owned by the Corporation and (f) 400,000 shares of Common Stock issuable to Alpha Capital Anstalt which were purchased from the Corporation on May 6, 2013.



"<u>Fundamental Transaction</u>" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7(d).

"GAAP" means United States generally accepted accounting principles.

"Holder" shall have the meaning given such term in Section 2.

"Issuable Maximum" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6(e).

"Junior Securities" means the Common Stock and all other Common Stock Equivalents of the Corporation other than those securities which are explicitly senior or <u>pari passu</u> to the Preferred Stock in dividend rights or liquidation preference.

"Liquidation" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5.

"Mandatory Conversion Time" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 8(a).

"New York Courts" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9(d).

"Notice of Conversion" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6(a).

"<u>Original Issue Date</u>" means the date of the first issuance of any shares of the Preferred Stock regardless of the number of transfers of any particular shares of Preferred Stock and regardless of the number of certificates which may be issued to evidence such Preferred Stock.

"<u>Person</u>" means an individual or corporation, partnership, trust, incorporated or unincorporated association, joint venture, limited liability company, joint stock company, government (or an agency or subdivision thereof) or other entity of any kind.

"Preferred Stock" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.

"<u>Purchase Agreement</u>" means the Securities Purchase Agreement, dated on or about the Original Issue Date, among the Corporation and the original Holders, as amended, modified or supplemented from time to time in accordance with its terms for the purchase and sale of Common Stock, Preferred Stock and Warrants.

"<u>Purchase Price</u>" shall mean, as to each Holder, the aggregate amount to be paid for the Preferred Stock purchased pursuant to the Purchase Agreement as specified below such Holder's name on the signature page of the Purchase Agreement and next to the heading "Purchase Price," in United States dollars and in immediately available funds.

"<u>Registration Rights Agreement</u>" means the Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of the date of the Purchase Agreement, among the Corporation and the original Holders, in the form of <u>Exhibit B</u> attached to the Purchase Agreement.

"<u>Registration Statement</u>" means a registration statement meeting the requirements set forth in the Registration Rights Agreement and covering the resale of the Registrable Securities by each Holder as provided for in the Registration Rights Agreement.

"<u>Rule 144</u>" means Rule 144 promulgated by the Commission pursuant to the Securities Act, as such Rule may be amended from time to time, or any similar rule or regulation hereafter adopted by the Commission having substantially the same effect as such Rule.

"<u>Rule 424</u>" means Rule 424 promulgated by the Commission pursuant to the Securities Act, as such Rule may be amended or interpreted from time to time, or any similar rule or regulation hereafter adopted by the Commission having substantially the same purpose and effect as such Rule.

"Securities" means the Common Stock, Preferred Stock, the Warrants, the Warrant Shares and the Underlying Shares subject to the Purchase Agreement.

"Securities Act" means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

"Share Delivery Date" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6(c).

"Stated Value" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2, as the same may be increased pursuant to Section 3.

"<u>Subsidiary</u>" means any subsidiary of the Corporation as set forth in Section 2.1(a) of the Purchase Agreement and shall, where applicable, also include any direct or indirect subsidiary of the Corporation formed or acquired after the date of the Purchase Agreement.

"Successor Entity" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7(d).

"Trading Day" means a day on which the principal Trading Market is open for business.

"<u>Trading Market</u>" means any of the following markets or exchanges on which the Common Stock is listed or quoted for trading on the date in question: the NYSE MKT LLC, the Nasdaq Capital Market, the Nasdaq Global Market, the Nasdaq Global Select Market, the New York Stock Exchange, OTC Markets, or the OTC Bulletin Board (or any successors to any of the foregoing).

"<u>Transaction Documents</u>" means this Certificate of Designation, the Purchase Agreement, the Warrants, the Registration Rights Agreement, all exhibits and schedules thereto and hereto and any other documents or agreements executed in connection with the transactions contemplated pursuant to the Purchase Agreement.

"<u>Transfer Agent</u>" means Corporate Stock Transfer, Inc., the current transfer agent of the Corporation with a mailing address of 3200 Cherry Creek South Drive, Suite 430 Denver, Colorado 80209 and a facsimile number of (303) 282-5800, and any successor transfer agent of the Corporation.

"<u>Underlying Shares</u>" means the shares of Common Stock issued and issuable upon conversion of the Preferred Stock and upon exercise of the Warrants.

"<u>VWAP</u>" means, for any date, the price determined by the first of the following clauses that applies: (a) if the Common Stock is then listed or quoted on a Trading Market, the daily volume weighted average price of the Common Stock for such date (or the nearest preceding date) on the Trading Market on which the Common Stock is then listed or quoted as reported by Bloomberg L.P. (based on a Trading Day from 9:30 a.m. (New York City time) to 4:02 p.m. (New York City time)), (b) if the OTC Bulletin Board is not a Trading Market, the volume weighted average price of the Common Stock for such date (or the nearest preceding date) on the OTC Bulletin Board, (c) if the Common Stock is not then listed or quoted for trading on the OTC Bulletin Board and if prices for the Common Stock are then reported in the "Pink Sheets" published by Pink OTC Markets, Inc. (or a similar organization or agency succeeding to its functions of reporting prices), the most recent bid price per share of the Common Stock so reported, or (d) in all other cases, the fair market value of a share of Common Stock as determined by an independent appraiser selected in good faith by the Holders of a majority in interest of the Preferred Stock then outstanding and reasonably acceptable to the Corporation, the fees and expenses of which shall be paid by the Corporation.

"<u>Warrants</u>" means, collectively, the Common Stock purchase warrants delivered to the Holder at the Closing in accordance with Section 1.3 of the Purchase Agreement, which Warrants shall be exercisable immediately and have a term of exercise equal to five years, in the form of <u>Exhibit C</u> attached to the Purchase Agreement.

"Warrant Shares" means the shares of Common Stock issuable upon exercise of the Warrants.

<u>Section 2.</u> <u>Designation, Amount and Par Value</u>. The series of preferred stock shall be designated as the Corporation's Series A Convertible Preferred Stock (the "<u>Preferred Stock</u>") and the number of shares so designated shall be 17,000 (which shall not be subject to increase without the written consent of all of the holders of the Preferred Stock (each, a "<u>Holder</u>" and collectively, the "<u>Holders</u>")). Each share of Preferred Stock shall have a par value of \$0.001 per share and a stated value equal to \$1,000, subject to increase set forth in Section 3 below (the "<u>Stated Value</u>").

# Section 3. Dividends.

a) Holders shall be entitled to receive, and the Corporation shall pay, dividends on shares of Preferred Stock equal (on an as-if-converted-to-Common-Stock basis) to and in the same form as dividends (other than dividends in the form of Common Stock) actually paid on shares of the Common Stock or other Junior Securities when, as and if such dividends (other than dividends in the form of Common Stock) are paid on shares of the Common Stock or other Junior Securities. Other than as set forth in the previous sentence, no other dividends shall be paid on shares of Preferred Stock; and the Corporation shall pay no dividends (other than dividends in the form of Common Stock) on shares of the Common Stock or other Junior Securities unless it simultaneously complies with the previous sentence. All declared but unpaid dividends on shares of Preferred Stock shall increase the Stated Value of such shares, but when such dividends are actually paid any such increase in the Stated Value shall be rescinded.

b) So long as any shares of Preferred Stock remain outstanding, neither the Corporation nor any subsidiary thereof shall redeem, purchase or otherwise acquire directly or indirectly any material amount of Junior Securities.

### Section 4. Voting Rights.

a) Except as otherwise provided herein or as otherwise required by law, the Preferred Stock shall have no voting rights. However, as long as any shares of Preferred Stock are outstanding, the Corporation shall not, without the affirmative vote of the Holders of at least a majority in Stated Value of Preferred Stock, except as may be necessary to increase the authorized shares of Common Stock in order to account for any increase in the number of shares issuable upon conversion of the Preferred Stock, (a) alter or change adversely the powers, preferences or rights given to the Preferred Stock or alter or amend this Certificate of Designation, (b) authorize or create any class of stock ranking as to dividends, redemption or distribution of assets upon a Liquidation (as defined in Section 5) senior to, or otherwise <u>pari passu</u> with, the Preferred Stock, (c) amend its certificate of incorporation or other charter documents in any manner that adversely affects any rights of the Holders, (d) increase the number of authorized shares of Preferred Stock, or (e) enter into any agreement with respect to any of the foregoing.

b) Until the one (1) year anniversary of the Original Issue Date, neither the Corporation nor any of its subsidiaries shall, without the affirmative vote of the Holders of at least a majority in Stated Value of Preferred Stock, (i) issue, enter into any agreement to issue or announce the issuance or proposed issuance of any shares of Common Stock or Common Stock Equivalents (other than Exempt Issuances) or (ii) obtain any other additional financing.

Section 5. Liquidation. Upon any liquidation, dissolution or winding-up of the Corporation, whether voluntary or involuntary (a "Liquidation"), the assets of the Corporation available for distribution to its stockholders shall be distributed <u>pari passu</u> among the holders of the shares of Common Stock and Preferred Stock, pro rata based on the number of shares held by each such holder, treating for this purpose all such securities as if they had been converted to Common Stock, pursuant to the terms of the Articles of Incorporation immediately prior to such liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation. The Corporation shall mail written notice of any such Liquidation, not less than 45 days prior to the payment date stated therein, to each Holder.

## Section 6. Conversion.

Conversions at Option of Holder. Each share of Preferred Stock shall be convertible, at any time and from time to time from and a) after the Original Issue Date at the option of the Holder thereof, into that number of shares of Common Stock (subject to the limitations set forth in Section 6(d) and Section 6(e)) determined by dividing the Stated Value of such share of Preferred Stock by the Conversion Price. Holders shall effect conversions by providing the Corporation with the form of conversion notice attached hereto as <u>Annex A</u> (a "<u>Notice of Conversion</u>"). Each Notice of Conversion shall specify the number of shares of Preferred Stock to be converted, the number of shares of Preferred Stock owned prior to the conversion at issue, the number of shares of Preferred Stock owned subsequent to the conversion at issue and the date on which such conversion is to be effected, which date may not be prior to the date the applicable Holder delivers by facsimile such Notice of Conversion to the Corporation (such date, the "Conversion Date"). If no Conversion Date is specified in a Notice of Conversion, the Conversion Date shall be the date that such Notice of Conversion to the Corporation is deemed delivered hereunder. The calculations and entries set forth in the Notice of Conversion shall control in the absence of manifest or mathematical error. To effect conversions of shares of Preferred Stock, a Holder shall not be required to surrender the certificate(s) representing the shares of Preferred Stock to the Corporation unless (i) the full or remaining number of shares of Preferred Stock represented by such certificate are being converted or (ii) such Holder has provided the Corporation with prior written notice (which notice may be included in a Notice of Conversion) requesting reissuance of a certificate representing the remaining shares of Preferred Stock upon physical surrender of any certificate representing the shares of Preferred Stock being converted. Each Holder and the Corporation shall maintain records showing the number of shares of Preferred Stock so converted by such Holder and the dates of such conversions or shall use such other method, reasonably satisfactory to such Holder and the Corporation, so as not to require physical surrender of the certificate representing the shares of Preferred Stock upon each such conversion. In the event of any dispute or discrepancy, such records of the Corporation establishing the number of shares of Preferred Stock to which the record holder is entitled shall be controlling and determinative in the absence of manifest error. Shares of Preferred Stock converted into Common Stock in accordance with the terms hereof shall be canceled and shall not be reissued.

b) <u>Price</u>").

### c) <u>Mechanics of Conversion</u>

i. <u>Delivery of Certificate Upon Conversion</u>. Not later than three (3) Trading Days after each Conversion Date (the "<u>Share</u> <u>Delivery Date</u>"), the Corporation shall deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the converting Holder (A) a certificate or certificates free of restrictive legends representing the number of Conversion Shares being acquired upon the conversion of the Preferred Stock, and (B) a bank check in the amount of accrued and unpaid dividends. If requested by the Holder, the Corporation shall use its best efforts to deliver any certificate or certificates required to be delivered by the Corporation under this Section 6 electronically through the Depository Trust Company or another established clearing corporation performing similar functions.

ii. <u>Failure to Deliver Certificates</u>. If, in the case of any Notice of Conversion, such certificate or certificates are not delivered to or as directed by the applicable Holder by the Share Delivery Date, the Holder shall be entitled to elect by written notice to the Corporation at any time on or before its receipt of such certificate or certificates, to rescind such Conversion, in which event the Corporation shall promptly return to the Holder any original Preferred Stock certificate delivered to the Corporation and the Holder shall promptly return to the Corporation the Common Stock certificates issued to such Holder pursuant to the rescinded Conversion Notice.

Obligation Absolute; Partial Liquidated Damages. The Corporation's obligation to issue and deliver the Conversion Shares upon conversion of Preferred Stock in accordance with the terms hereof are absolute and unconditional, irrespective of any action or inaction by a Holder to enforce the same, any waiver or consent with respect to any provision hereof, the recovery of any judgment against any Person or any action to enforce the same, or any setoff, counterclaim, recoupment, limitation or termination, or any breach or alleged breach by such Holder or any other Person of any obligation to the Corporation or any violation or alleged violation of law by such Holder or any other person, and irrespective of any other circumstance which might otherwise limit such obligation of the Corporation to such Holder in connection with the issuance of such Conversion Shares; provided, however, that such delivery shall not operate as a waiver by the Corporation of any such action that the Corporation may have against such Holder. In the event a Holder shall elect to convert any or all of the Stated Value of its Preferred Stock, the Corporation may not refuse conversion based on any claim that such Holder or anyone associated or affiliated with such Holder has been engaged in any violation of law, agreement or for any other reason, unless an injunction from a court, on notice to Holder, restraining and/or enjoining conversion of all or part of the Preferred Stock of such Holder shall have been sought and obtained, and the Corporation posts a surety bond for the benefit of such Holder in the amount of 150% of the Stated Value of Preferred Stock which is subject to the injunction, which bond shall remain in effect until the completion of arbitration/litigation of the underlying dispute and the proceeds of which shall be payable to such Holder to the extent it obtains judgment. In the absence of such injunction, the Corporation shall issue Conversion Shares and, if applicable, cash, upon a properly noticed conversion. Nothing herein shall limit a Holder's right to pursue actual damages for the Corporation's failure to deliver Conversion Shares within the period specified herein and such Holder shall have the right to pursue all remedies available to it hereunder, at law or in equity including, without limitation, a decree of specific performance and/or injunctive relief. The exercise of any such rights shall not prohibit a Holder from seeking to enforce damages pursuant to any other Section hereof or under applicable law.

Compensation for Buy-In on Failure to Timely Deliver Certificates Upon Conversion. In addition to any other rights iv. available to the Holder, if the Corporation fails for any reason to deliver to a Holder the applicable certificate or certificates by the Share Delivery Date pursuant to Section 6(c)(i), and if after such Share Delivery Date such Holder is required by its brokerage firm to purchase (in an open market transaction or otherwise), or the Holder's brokerage firm otherwise purchases, shares of Common Stock to deliver in satisfaction of a sale by such Holder of the Conversion Shares which such Holder was entitled to receive upon the conversion relating to such Share Delivery Date (a "Buy-In"), then the Corporation shall (A) pay in cash to such Holder (in addition to any other remedies available to or elected by such Holder) the amount, if any, by which (x) such Holder's total purchase price (including any brokerage commissions) for the Common Stock so purchased exceeds (y) the product of (1) the aggregate number of shares of Common Stock that such Holder was entitled to receive from the conversion at issue multiplied by (2) the actual sale price at which the sell order giving rise to such purchase obligation was executed (including any brokerage commissions) and (B) at the option of such Holder, either reissue (if surrendered) the shares of Preferred Stock equal to the number of shares of Preferred Stock submitted for conversion (in which case, such conversion shall be deemed rescinded) or deliver to such Holder the number of shares of Common Stock that would have been issued if the Corporation had timely complied with its delivery requirements under Section 6(c)(i). For example, if a Holder purchases shares of Common Stock having a total purchase price of \$11,000 to cover a Buy-In with respect to an attempted conversion of shares of Preferred Stock with respect to which the actual sale price of the Conversion Shares (including any brokerage commissions) giving rise to such purchase obligation was a total of \$10,000 under clause (A) of the immediately preceding sentence, the Corporation shall be required to pay such Holder \$1,000. The Holder shall provide the Corporation written notice indicating the amounts payable to such Holder in respect of the Buy-In and, upon request of the Corporation, evidence of the amount of such loss. Nothing herein shall limit a Holder's right to pursue any other remedies available to it hereunder, at law or in equity including, without limitation, a decree of specific performance and/or injunctive relief with respect to the Corporation's failure to timely deliver certificates representing shares of Common Stock upon conversion of the shares of Preferred Stock as required pursuant to the terms hereof.

v. <u>Reservation of Shares Issuable Upon Conversion</u>. The Corporation covenants that it will at all times reserve and keep available out of its authorized and unissued shares of Common Stock for the sole purpose of issuance upon conversion of the Preferred Stock as herein provided, free from preemptive rights or any other actual contingent purchase rights of Persons other than the Holder (and the other holders of the Preferred Stock), not less than such aggregate number of shares of the Common Stock as shall (subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the respective Purchase Agreement) be issuable (taking into account the adjustments and restrictions of Section 7) upon the conversion of the then outstanding shares of Preferred Stock. The Corporation covenants that all shares of Common Stock that shall be so issuable shall, upon issue, be duly authorized, validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable and, if the Conversion Shares Registration Statement is then effective under the Securities Act, shall be registered for public resale in accordance with such Conversion Shares Registration Statement (subject to such Holder's compliance with its obligations under the Registration Rights Agreement).

vi. <u>Fractional Shares</u>. No fractional shares or scrip representing fractional shares shall be issued upon the conversion of the Preferred Stock. As to any fraction of a share which the Holder would otherwise be entitled to purchase upon such conversion, the Corporation shall at its election, either pay a cash adjustment in respect of such final fraction in an amount equal to such fraction multiplied by the Conversion Price or round up to the next whole share.

vii. <u>Transfer Taxes</u>. The issuance of certificates for shares of the Common Stock on conversion of this Preferred Stock shall be made without charge to any Holder for any documentary stamp or similar taxes that may be payable in respect of the issue or delivery of such certificates, provided that the Corporation shall not be required to pay any tax that may be payable in respect of any transfer involved in the issuance and delivery of any such certificate upon conversion in a name other than that of the Holders of such shares of Preferred Stock and the Corporation shall not be required to issue or deliver such certificates unless or until the Person or Persons requesting the issuance thereof shall have paid to the Corporation the amount of such tax or shall have established to the satisfaction of the Corporation that such tax has been paid.

Beneficial Ownership Limitation. The Corporation shall not effect any conversion of the Preferred Stock, and a Holder shall not d) have the right to convert any portion of the Preferred Stock, to the extent that, after giving effect to the conversion set forth on the applicable Notice of Conversion, such Holder (together with such Holder's Affiliates, and any Persons acting as a group together with such Holder or any of such Holder's Affiliates) would beneficially own in excess of the Beneficial Ownership Limitation (as defined below). For purposes of the foregoing sentence, the number of shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by such Holder and its Affiliates shall include the number of shares of Common Stock issuable upon conversion of the Preferred Stock with respect to which such determination is being made, but shall exclude the number of shares of Common Stock which are issuable upon (i) conversion of the remaining, unconverted Stated Value of Preferred Stock beneficially owned by such Holder or any of its Affiliates and (ii) exercise or conversion of the unexercised or unconverted portion of any other securities of the Corporation subject to a limitation on conversion or exercise analogous to the limitation contained herein (including, without limitation, the Preferred Stock or the Warrants) beneficially owned by such Holder or any of its Affiliates. Except as set forth in the preceding sentence, for purposes of this Section 6(d), beneficial ownership shall be calculated in accordance with Section 13(d) of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder. To the extent that the limitation contained in this Section 6(d) applies, the determination of whether the Preferred Stock is convertible (in relation to other securities owned by such Holder together with any Affiliates) and of how many shares of Preferred Stock are convertible shall be in the sole discretion of such Holder, and the submission of a Notice of Conversion shall be deemed to be such Holder's determination of whether the shares of Preferred Stock may be converted (in relation to other securities owned by such Holder together with any Affiliates) and how many shares of the Preferred Stock are convertible, in each case subject to the Beneficial Ownership Limitation. To ensure compliance with this restriction, each Holder will be deemed to represent to the Corporation each time it delivers a Notice of Conversion that such Notice of Conversion has not violated the restrictions set forth in this paragraph and the Corporation shall have no obligation to verify or confirm the accuracy of such determination. In addition, a determination as to any group status as contemplated above shall be determined in accordance with Section 13(d) of the Exchange Act\_and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder. For purposes of this Section 6(d), in determining the number of outstanding shares of Common Stock, a Holder may rely on the number of outstanding shares of Common Stock as stated in the most recent of the following: (i) the Corporation's most recent periodic or annual report filed with the Commission, as the case may be, (ii) a more recent public announcement by the Corporation or (iii) a more recent written notice by the Corporation or the Transfer Agent setting forth the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding. Upon the written or oral request of a Holder, the Corporation shall within two Trading Days confirm orally and in writing to such Holder the number of shares of Common Stock then outstanding. In any case, the number of outstanding shares of Common Stock shall be determined after giving effect to the conversion or exercise of securities of the Corporation, including the Preferred Stock, by such Holder or its Affiliates since the date as of which such number of outstanding shares of Common Stock was reported. The "Beneficial Ownership Limitation" shall be 4.99% of the number of shares of the Common Stock outstanding immediately after giving effect to the issuance of shares of Common Stock issuable upon conversion of Preferred Stock held by the applicable Holder. A Holder, upon not less than 61 days' prior notice to the Corporation, may increase the Beneficial Ownership Limitation provisions of this Section 6(d) applicable to its Preferred Stock provided that the Beneficial Ownership Limitation in no event exceeds 9.99% of the number of shares of the Common Stock outstanding immediately after giving effect to the issuance of shares of Common Stock upon conversion of this Preferred Stock held by the Holder and the provisions of this Section 6(d) shall continue to apply. Any such increase will not be effective until the 61<sup>st</sup> day after such notice is delivered to the Corporation and shall only apply to such Holder and no other Holder. The provisions of this paragraph shall be construed and implemented in a manner otherwise than in strict conformity with the terms of this Section 6(d) to correct this paragraph (or any portion hereof) which may be defective or inconsistent with the intended Beneficial Ownership Limitation contained herein or to make changes or supplements necessary or desirable to properly give effect to such limitation. The limitations contained in this paragraph shall apply to a successor holder of Preferred Stock.

# Section 7. Certain Adjustments.

a) <u>Stock Dividends and Stock Splits</u>. If the Corporation, at any time while this Preferred Stock is outstanding: (i) pays a stock dividend or otherwise makes a distribution or distributions payable in shares of Common Stock on shares of Common Stock or any other Common Stock Equivalents (which, for avoidance of doubt, shall not include any shares of Common Stock issued by the Corporation upon conversion of this Preferred Stock), (ii) subdivides outstanding shares of Common Stock into a larger number of shares, (iii) combines (including by way of a reverse stock split) outstanding shares of Common Stock into a smaller number of shares, or (iv) issues, in the event of a reclassification of shares of the Common Stock, any shares of capital stock of the Corporation, then the Conversion Price shall be multiplied by a fraction of which the numerator shall be the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately before such event, and of which the denominator shall be the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately after such event. Any adjustment made pursuant to this Section 7(a) shall become effective immediately after the record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to receive such dividend or distribution and shall become effective immediately after the effective date in the case of a subdivision, combination or reclassification.

b) <u>Subsequent Rights Offerings</u>. If the Corporation, at any time while the Preferred Stock is outstanding, shall issue rights, options or warrants to all holders of Common Stock (and not proportionately to the Holders) entitling them to subscribe for or purchase shares of Common Stock at a price per share that is lower than the VWAP on the record date for such issuance, and do not offer the same rights to the Holders, then the Holder will be entitled to acquire, upon conversion of the Preferred Stock, such rights, options or warrants which the Holder could have acquired if the Holder had held the number of shares of Common Stock acquirable upon complete conversion of such Holder's Preferred Stock (without regard to any limitations on the conversion of such Preferred Stock) immediately before the date on which a record is taken for the issuance of such rights, options or warrants, or, if no such record is taken, the date as of which the record holders of shares of Common Stock are to be determined for the issuance of such rights, options or warrants.

c) <u>Pro Rata Distributions</u>. If the Corporation, at any time while this Preferred Stock is outstanding, distributes to all holders of Common Stock (and not to the Holders) evidences of its indebtedness or assets (including cash and cash dividends) or rights or warrants to subscribe for or purchase any security, then in each such case the Conversion Price shall be adjusted by multiplying such Conversion Price in effect immediately prior to the record date fixed for determination of stockholders entitled to receive such distribution by a fraction of which the denominator shall be the VWAP determined as of the record date mentioned above, and of which the numerator shall be such VWAP on such record date less the then fair market value at such record date of the portion of such assets or evidence of indebtedness or rights or warrants so distributed applicable to one outstanding share of the Common Stock as determined by the Board of Directors of the Corporation in good faith. In either case the adjustments shall be described in a statement delivered to the Holders describing the portion of assets or evidences of indebtedness so distributed or such subscription rights applicable to one share of Common Stock. Such adjustment shall be made whenever any such distribution is made and shall become effective immediately after the record date mentioned above.

Fundamental Transaction. If, at any time while this Preferred Stock is outstanding, (i) the Corporation, directly or indirectly, in one d) or more related transactions effects any merger or consolidation of the Corporation with or into another Person, (ii) the Corporation, directly or indirectly, effects any sale, lease, license, assignment, transfer, conveyance or other disposition of all or substantially all of its assets in one or a series of related transactions, (iii) any, direct or indirect, purchase offer, tender offer or exchange offer (whether by the Corporation or another Person) is completed pursuant to which holders of Common Stock are permitted to sell, tender or exchange their shares for other securities, cash or property and has been accepted by the holders of 50% or more of the outstanding Common Stock, (iv) the Corporation, directly or indirectly, in one or more related transactions effects any reclassification, reorganization or recapitalization of the Common Stock or any compulsory share exchange pursuant to which the Common Stock is effectively converted into or exchanged for other securities, cash or property, (v) the Corporation, directly or indirectly, in one or more related transactions consummates a stock or share purchase agreement or other business combination (including, without limitation, a reorganization, recapitalization, spin-off or scheme of arrangement) with another Person whereby such other Person acquires more than 50% of the outstanding shares of Common Stock (not including any shares of Common Stock held by the other Person or other Persons making or party to, or associated or affiliated with the other Persons making or party to, such stock or share purchase agreement or other business combination and excluding shares acquired upon conversion of any currently outstanding convertible securities in accordance with the terms thereof as in effect on the date hereof) (each a "Fundamental Transaction"), then, upon any subsequent conversion of this Preferred Stock, the Holder shall have the right to receive, for each Conversion Share that would have been issuable upon such conversion immediately prior to the occurrence of such Fundamental Transaction (without regard to any limitation in Section 6(d) and Section 6(e) on the conversion of this Preferred Stock), the number of shares of Common Stock of the successor or acquiring corporation or of the Corporation, if it is the surviving corporation, and any additional consideration (the "Alternate Consideration") receivable as a result of such Fundamental Transaction by a holder of the number of shares of Common Stock for which this Preferred Stock is convertible immediately prior to such Fundamental Transaction (without regard to any limitation in Section 6(d) and Section 6(e) on the conversion of this Preferred Stock). For purposes of any such conversion, the determination of the Conversion Price shall be appropriately adjusted to apply to such Alternate Consideration based on the amount of Alternate Consideration issuable in respect of one share of Common Stock in such Fundamental Transaction, and the Corporation shall apportion the Conversion Price among the Alternate Consideration in a reasonable manner reflecting the relative value of any different components of the Alternate Consideration. If holders of Common Stock are given any choice as to the securities, cash or property to be received in a Fundamental Transaction, then the Holder shall be given the same choice as to the Alternate Consideration it receives upon any conversion of this Preferred Stock following such Fundamental Transaction. To the extent necessary to effectuate the foregoing provisions, any successor to the Corporation or surviving entity in such Fundamental Transaction shall file a new Certificate of Designation with the same terms and conditions and issue to the Holders new preferred stock consistent with the foregoing provisions and evidencing the Holders' right to convert such preferred stock into Alternate Consideration. The Corporation shall cause any successor entity in a Fundamental Transaction in which the Corporation is not the survivor (the "Successor Entity") to assume in writing all of the obligations of the Corporation under this Certificate of Designation and the other Transaction Documents (as defined in the Purchase Agreement) in accordance with the provisions of this Section 7(d) pursuant to written agreements in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Holder and approved by the Holder (without unreasonable delay) prior to such Fundamental Transaction and shall, at the option of the holder of this Preferred Stock, deliver to the Holder in exchange for this Preferred Stock a security of the Successor Entity evidenced by a written instrument substantially similar in form and substance to this Preferred Stock which is convertible for a corresponding number of shares of capital stock of such Successor Entity (or its parent entity) equivalent to the shares of Common Stock acquirable and receivable upon conversion of this Preferred Stock (without regard to any limitations on the conversion of this Preferred Stock) prior to such Fundamental Transaction, and with a conversion price which applies the conversion price hereunder to such shares of capital stock (but taking into account the relative value of the shares of Common Stock pursuant to such Fundamental Transaction and the value of such shares of capital stock, such number of shares of capital stock and such conversion price being for the purpose of protecting the economic value of this Preferred Stock immediately prior to the consummation of such Fundamental Transaction), and which is reasonably satisfactory in form and substance to the Holder. Upon the occurrence of any such Fundamental Transaction, the Successor Entity shall succeed to, and be substituted for (so that from and after the date of such Fundamental Transaction, the provisions of this Certificate of Designation and the other Transaction Documents referring to the "Corporation" shall refer instead to the Successor Entity), and may exercise every right and power of the Corporation and shall assume all of the obligations of the Corporation under this Certificate of Designation and the other Transaction Documents with the same effect as if such Successor Entity had been named as the Corporation herein.

e) <u>Calculations</u>. All calculations under this Section 7 shall be made to the nearest cent or the nearest 1/100th of a share, as the case may be. For purposes of this Section 7, the number of shares of Common Stock deemed to be issued and outstanding as of a given date shall be the sum of the number of shares of Common Stock (excluding any treasury shares of the Corporation) issued and outstanding.

## f) <u>Notice to the Holders</u>.

i. <u>Adjustment to Conversion Price</u>. Whenever the Conversion Price is adjusted pursuant to any provision of this Section 7, the Corporation shall promptly deliver to each Holder a notice setting forth the Conversion Price after such adjustment and setting forth a brief statement of the facts requiring such adjustment.

Notice to Allow Conversion by Holder. If (A) the Corporation shall declare a dividend (or any other distribution in ii. whatever form) on the Common Stock, (B) the Corporation shall declare a special nonrecurring cash dividend on or a redemption of the Common Stock, (C) the Corporation shall authorize the granting to all holders of the Common Stock of rights or warrants to subscribe for or purchase any shares of capital stock of any class or of any rights, (D) the approval of any stockholders of the Corporation shall be required in connection with any reclassification of the Common Stock, any consolidation or merger to which the Corporation is a party, any sale or transfer of all or substantially all of the assets of the Corporation, or any compulsory share exchange whereby the Common Stock is converted into other securities, cash or property or (E) the Corporation shall authorize the voluntary or involuntary dissolution, liquidation or winding up of the affairs of the Corporation, then, in each case, the Corporation shall cause to be filed at each office or agency maintained for the purpose of conversion of this Preferred Stock, and shall cause to be delivered to each Holder at its last address as it shall appear upon the stock books of the Corporation, at least ten (10) calendar days prior to the applicable record or effective date hereinafter specified, a notice stating (x) the date on which a record is to be taken for the purpose of such dividend, distribution, redemption, rights or warrants, or if a record is not to be taken, the date as of which the holders of the Common Stock of record to be entitled to such dividend, distributions, redemption, rights or warrants are to be determined or (y) the date on which such reclassification, consolidation, merger, sale, transfer or share exchange is expected to become effective or close, and the date as of which it is expected that holders of the Common Stock of record shall be entitled to exchange their shares of the Common Stock for securities, cash or other property deliverable upon such reclassification, consolidation, merger, sale, transfer or share exchange, provided that the failure to deliver such notice or any defect therein or in the delivery thereof shall not affect the validity of the corporate action required to be specified in such notice. To the extent that any notice provided hereunder constitutes, or contains, material, non-public information regarding the Corporation or any of the Subsidiaries, the Corporation shall simultaneously file such notice with the Commission pursuant to a Current Report on Form 8-K. The Holder shall remain entitled to convert the Conversion Amount of this Preferred Stock (or any part hereof) during the 10-day period commencing on the date of such notice through the effective date of the event triggering such notice except as may otherwise be expressly set forth herein.

Section 8. Mandatory Conversion. Upon either the (a) written election of the Holders of at least a majority in Stated Value of Preferred Stock or (b) issuance of a notice to the Holders than an Uplisting Determination has occurred (the date of such election or issuance of a notice is referred to herein as the "Mandatory Conversion Time"), then (i) all outstanding shares of Preferred Stock shall immediately and automatically be converted into shares of Common Stock, at the then effective Conversion Price as calculated pursuant to Section 6 and (ii) such shares of Preferred Stock may not thereafter be reissued by the Corporation. The term "Uplisting Determination" means a determination by the Corporation, based on consultations with the Corporation's accountants, that it is necessary for the Preferred Stock to be converted into Common Stock in order for the Common Stock to be listed on a national securities exchange (including any of the Nasdaq markets and the NYSE MKT LLC). All holders of record of shares of Preferred Stock shall be sent written notice of mandatory Conversion Time along with instructions for converting the outstanding Preferred Stock certificates. If such election shall have been duly given, then, notwithstanding that the certificate evidencing any shares of Preferred Stock so converted remain outstanding and shall not have been surrendered, all rights pertaining to such shares shall terminate, except only the right of the Holders to receive Common Stock certificates upon surrender of their Preferred Stock certificates; provided, that the rights pertaining to such shares that remain unconverted pursuant to the beneficial ownership limitations set forth in Section 6(d) shall not be affected. Such notice need not be sent in advance of the occurrence of the Mandatory Conversion Time. For purposes of clarification, a conversion effected pursuant to the terms of this Section 8 shall be subject to all of the provisions of Section 6, including, without limitation, the provisions requiring payment of li

#### Section 9. Miscellaneous.

a) Notices. Any and all notices or other communications or deliveries to be provided by the Holders hereunder including, without limitation, any Notice of Conversion, shall be in writing and delivered personally, by facsimile, or sent by a nationally recognized overnight courier service, addressed to the Corporation at 21900 Burbank Boulevard, 3rd Floor, Woodland Hills, California 91367, **Attention:** Chief Executive Officer, facsimile number (818) 475-5194, or such other facsimile number or address as the Corporation may specify for such purposes by notice to the Holders delivered in accordance with this Section 9. Any and all notices or other communications or deliveries to be provided by the Corporation hereunder shall be in writing and delivered personally, by facsimile, or sent by a nationally recognized overnight courier service addressed to each Holder at the facsimile number or address of such Holder appearing on the books of the Corporation, or if no such facsimile number or address appears on the books of the Corporation, at the principal place of business of such Holder, as set forth in the Purchase Agreement. Any notice or other communication is delivered via facsimile at the facsimile number set forth in this Section prior to 5:30 p.m. (New York City time) on any date, (ii) the next Trading Day after the date of transmission, if such notice or communication is delivered via facsimile number set forth in this Section on a day that is not a Trading Day or later than 5:30 p.m. (New York City time) on any Trading Day, (iii) the second Trading Day following the date of mailing, if sent by U.S. nationally recognized overnight courier service, or (iv) upon actual receipt by the party to whom such notice is required to be given.

b) <u>Absolute Obligation</u>. Except as expressly provided herein, no provision of this Certificate of Designation shall alter or impair the obligation of the Corporation, which is absolute and unconditional, to pay liquidated damages, accrued dividends and accrued interest, as applicable, on the shares of Preferred Stock at the time, place, and rate, and in the coin or currency, herein prescribed.

c) <u>Lost or Mutilated Preferred Stock Certificate</u>. If a Holder's Preferred Stock certificate shall be mutilated, lost, stolen or destroyed, the Corporation shall execute and deliver, in exchange and substitution for and upon cancellation of a mutilated certificate, or in lieu of or in substitution for a lost, stolen or destroyed certificate, a new certificate for the shares of Preferred Stock so mutilated, lost, stolen or destroyed, but only upon receipt of evidence of such loss, theft or destruction of such certificate, and of the ownership hereof reasonably satisfactory to the Corporation.

Governing Law. All questions concerning the construction, validity, enforcement and interpretation of this Certificate of d) Designation shall be governed by and construed and enforced in accordance with the internal laws of the State of Delaware, without regard to the principles of conflict of laws thereof. Each party agrees that all legal proceedings concerning the interpretation, enforcement and defense of the transactions contemplated by any of the Transaction Documents (whether brought against a party hereto or its respective Affiliates, directors, officers, shareholders, employees or agents) shall be commenced in the state and federal courts sitting in the City of New York, Borough of Manhattan (the "New York Courts"). Each party hereto hereby irrevocably submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of the New York Courts for the adjudication of any dispute hereunder or in connection herewith or with any transaction contemplated hereby or discussed herein (including with respect to the enforcement of any of the Transaction Documents), and hereby irrevocably waives, and agrees not to assert in any suit, action or proceeding, any claim that it is not personally subject to the jurisdiction of such New York Courts, or such New York Courts are improper or inconvenient venue for such proceeding. Each party hereby irrevocably waives personal service of process and consents to process being served in any such suit, action or proceeding by mailing a copy thereof via registered or certified mail or overnight delivery (with evidence of delivery) to such party at the address in effect for notices to it under this Certificate of Designation and agrees that such service shall constitute good and sufficient service of process and notice thereof. Nothing contained herein shall be deemed to limit in any way any right to serve process in any other manner permitted by applicable law. Each party hereto hereby irrevocably waives, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, any and all right to trial by jury in any legal proceeding arising out of or relating to this Certificate of Designation or the transactions contemplated hereby. If any party shall commence an action or proceeding to enforce any provisions of this Certificate of Designation, then the prevailing party in such action or proceeding shall be reimbursed by the other party for its attorneys' fees and other costs and expenses incurred in the investigation, preparation and prosecution of such action or proceeding.

e) <u>Waiver</u>. Any waiver by the Corporation or a Holder of a breach of any provision of this Certificate of Designation shall not operate as or be construed to be a waiver of any other breach of such provision or of any breach of any other provision of this Certificate of Designation or a waiver by any other Holders. The failure of the Corporation or a Holder to insist upon strict adherence to any term of this Certificate of Designation on one or more occasions shall not be considered a waiver or deprive that party (or any other Holder) of the right thereafter to insist upon strict adherence to that term or any other term of this Certificate of Designation on any other occasion. Any waiver by the Corporation or a Holder must be in writing.

f) <u>Severability</u>. If any provision of this Certificate of Designation is invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the balance of this Certificate of Designation shall remain in effect, and if any provision is inapplicable to any Person or circumstance, it shall nevertheless remain applicable to all other Persons and circumstances. If it shall be found that any interest or other amount deemed interest due hereunder violates the applicable law governing usury, the applicable rate of interest due hereunder shall automatically be lowered to equal the maximum rate of interest permitted under applicable law.

g) <u>Next Business Day</u>. Whenever any payment or other obligation hereunder shall be due on a day other than a Business Day, such payment shall be made on the next succeeding Business Day.

h) <u>Headings</u>. The headings contained herein are for convenience only, do not constitute a part of this Certificate of Designation and shall not be deemed to limit or affect any of the provisions hereof.

i) <u>Status of Converted Preferred Stock</u>. Shares of Preferred Stock may only be issued pursuant to the Purchase Agreement. If any shares of Preferred Stock shall be converted or reacquired by the Corporation, such shares shall resume the status of authorized but unissued shares of preferred stock and shall no longer be designated as Series A Convertible Preferred Stock.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has duly executed this Certificate of Designations on behalf of the Corporation this 1st day of June 2017.

# By: /s/ MARIA FARDIS Name: Maria Fardis

Title: Chief Executive Officer

## ANNEX A NOTICE OF CONVERSION

## (TO BE EXECUTED BY THE REGISTERED HOLDER IN ORDER TO CONVERT SHARES OF PREFERRED STOCK)

The undersigned hereby elects to convert the number of shares of Series A Convertible Preferred Stock indicated below into shares (the "Conversion Shares") of common stock, par value \$0.000041666 per share (the "<u>Common Stock</u>"), of Lion Biotechnologies, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "<u>Corporation</u>"), according to the conditions hereof, as of the date written below. If Conversion Shares are to be issued in the name of a Person other than the undersigned, the undersigned will pay all transfer taxes payable with respect thereto and is delivering herewith such certificates and opinions as may be required by the Corporation in accordance with the Purchase Agreement. No fee will be charged to the Holders for any conversion, except for any such transfer taxes. In order to induce the Corporation to issue the stock certificate representing the Conversion Shares without a restrictive legend, the undersigned hereby agrees to comply with the covenants set forth in Section 5.3 of the Purchase Agreement. If the Conversion Shares are not covered by an effective resale registration statement at the time that the undersigned intends to resell the Conversion Shares, the undersigned will not resell the Conversion Shares unless Rule 144, or another exemption, is applicable, and then only in full compliance with Rule 144, or such other exemption, after receiving an opinion of counsel that the Conversion Shares can be sold under Rule 144, or such other exemption.

Conversion calculations:

Date to Effect Conversion:	
Number of shares of Preferred Stock owned prior to Conversion:	
Number of shares of Preferred Stock to be Converted:	
Aggregate Stated Value of Preferred Stock to be Converted:	
Number of shares of Common Stock to be Issued:	<u> </u>
Applicable Conversion Price:	
Shares of Preferred Stock owned subsequent to Conversion:	
Address for Delivery: or DWAC In Broker no: Account no:	
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By:	
	Name: Title:

### CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION OF RIGHTS, PREFERENCES AND PRIVILEGES OF SERIES B PREFERRED STOCK OF LION BIOTECHNOLOGIES, INC.

# PURSUANT TO SECTION 151 OF THE DELAWARE GENERAL CORPORATION LAW

Lion Biotechnologies, Inc. a Delaware corporation, organized and existing under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "Corporation"), by its Chief Executive Officer:

DOES HEREBY CERTIFY:

FIRST: That, pursuant to authority expressly vested in the Board of Directors of the Corporation (the "Board of Directors") by the provisions of its certificate of incorporation (the "Certificate of Incorporation"), the Board of Directors at a meeting duly held, adopted the following resolution providing for the designation of 11,500,000 shares of Series B Preferred Stock, \$.001 per share:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors, pursuant to authority expressly vested in it by the provisions of the Certificate of Incorporation of the Corporation, hereby authorizes the issuance from time to time of the Series B Preferred Stock of the Corporation and hereby fixes the powers, designations, preferences, limitations, restrictions and relative rights of the Series B Preferred Stock of the Corporation, in addition to those set forth in said Certificate of Incorporation, to be in their entirety as follows.

Section 1. Definitions. For the purposes hereof, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

"<u>Affiliate</u>" means any Person that, directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controls or is controlled by or is under common control with a Person, as such terms are used in and construed under Rule 405 of the Securities Act.

"Alternate Consideration" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7(d).

"Beneficial Ownership Limitation" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6(d).

"Board of Directors" means the board of directors of the Corporation.

"<u>Business Day</u>" means any day except any Saturday, any Sunday, any day which is a federal legal holiday in the United States or any day on which banking institutions in the State of New York are authorized or required by law or other governmental action to close. "Buy-In" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6(c)(iv).

"Certificate of Designation" means this Certificate of Designation of Rights, Preferences and Privileges of the Series B Preferred Stock.

"Commission" means the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.

"<u>Common Stock</u>" means the Corporation's common stock, par value \$0.000041666 per share, and stock of any other class of securities into which such securities may hereafter be reclassified or changed.

"<u>Common Stock Equivalents</u>" means any securities of the Corporation or the Subsidiaries which would entitle the holder thereof to acquire at any time Common Stock, including, without limitation, any debt, preferred stock, rights, options, warrants or other instrument that is at any time convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for, or otherwise entitles the holder thereof to receive, Common Stock.

"Conversion Amount" means the sum of the Stated Value at issue.

"<u>Conversion Date</u>" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6(a).

"Conversion Price" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6(b).

"<u>Conversion Shares</u>" means, collectively, the shares of Common Stock issuable upon conversion of the shares of Preferred Stock in accordance with the terms hereof.

"<u>Conversion Shares Registration Statement</u>" means a Registration Statement that registers the resale of all Conversion Shares, so long as such Conversion Shares are Registrable Securities, of the Holders, who shall be named as "selling stockholders" therein and meets the requirements of the Registration Rights Agreement.

"<u>Corporation</u>" means Lion Biotechnologies, Inc., a Delaware corporation.

"<u>Effective Date</u>" means the date that the initial Registration Statement filed by the Corporation pursuant to the Registration Rights Agreement is first declared effective by the Commission.

"Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

"<u>Fundamental Transaction</u>" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7(d).

"Holder" shall have the meaning given such term in Section 2.

"Junior Securities" means the Common Stock and all other Common Stock Equivalents of the Corporation other than those securities which are explicitly senior or <u>pari passu</u> to the Preferred Stock in dividend rights or liquidation preference.

"Liquidation" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5.

"Mandatory Conversion Time" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 8(a).

"<u>New York Courts</u>" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9(d).

"Notice of Conversion" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6(a).

"<u>Original Issue Date</u>" means the date of the first issuance of any shares of the Preferred Stock regardless of the number of transfers of any particular shares of Preferred Stock and regardless of the number of certificates which may be issued to evidence such Preferred Stock.

"<u>Person</u>" means an individual or corporation, partnership, trust, incorporated or unincorporated association, joint venture, limited liability company, joint stock company, government (or an agency or subdivision thereof) or other entity of any kind.

"<u>Purchase Agreement</u>" means the Securities Purchase Agreement, dated on or about the Original Issue Date, among the Corporation and the original Holders, as amended, modified or supplemented from time to time in accordance with its terms for the purchase and sale of Common Stock and Preferred Stock.

"<u>Registration Rights Agreement</u>" means the Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of the date of the Purchase Agreement, among the Corporation and the original Holders, in the form of <u>Exhibit B</u> attached to the Purchase Agreement.

"<u>Registration Statement</u>" means a registration statement meeting the requirements set forth in the Registration Rights Agreement and covering the resale of the Registrable Securities by each Holder as provided for in the Registration Rights Agreement.

"<u>Rule 144</u>" means Rule 144 promulgated by the Commission pursuant to the Securities Act, as such Rule may be amended from time to time, or any similar rule or regulation hereafter adopted by the Commission having substantially the same effect as such Rule.

"Securities Act" means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

"Series A Preferred Stock" means the Corporation's Series A Convertible Preferred Stock.

"Series B Preferred Stock" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.

"Share Delivery Date" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6(c).

"Stated Value" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2, as the same may be increased pursuant to Section 3.

"Subsidiary" means any subsidiary of the Corporation as set forth in the Purchase Agreement and shall, where applicable, also include any direct or indirect subsidiary of the Corporation formed or acquired after the date of the Purchase Agreement.

"Successor Entity" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7(d).

"Trading Day" means a day on which the principal Trading Market is open for business.

"<u>Trading Market</u>" means any of the following markets or exchanges on which the Common Stock is listed or quoted for trading on the date in question: the Nasdaq Global Market, the Nasdaq Global Select Market, the Nasdaq Capital Market, the New York Stock Exchange, or the NYSE MKT LLC (or any successors to any of the foregoing).

"<u>Transaction Documents</u>" means this Certificate of Designation, the Purchase Agreement, the Registration Rights Agreement, all exhibits and schedules thereto and hereto and any other documents or agreements executed in connection with the transactions contemplated pursuant to the Purchase Agreement.

"<u>Transfer Agent</u>" means Continental Stock Transfer and Trust Company, the current transfer agent of the Corporation with a mailing address of 17 Battery Place, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, NY 10004 and a telephone number of (212) 509-4000, and any successor transfer agent of the Corporation.

"<u>VWAP</u>" means, for any date, the price determined by the first of the following clauses that applies: (a) if the Common Stock is then listed or quoted on a Trading Market, the daily volume weighted average price of the Common Stock for such date (or the nearest preceding date) on the Trading Market on which the Common Stock is then listed or quoted as reported by Bloomberg L.P. (based on a Trading Day from 9:30 a.m. (New York City time) to 4:02 p.m. (New York City time)), (b) if the Common Stock is not then listed or quoted on a Trading Market, the volume weighted average price of the Common Stock for such date (or the nearest preceding date) on the OTC Bulletin Board or OTCQX or OTCQB Markets, (c) if the Common Stock is not then listed or quoted for trading on a Trading Market, the OTC Bulletin Board or either of the OTCQX or OTCQB Markets, and if prices for the Common Stock are then reported in the "Pink Sheets" published by Pink OTC Markets, Inc. (or a similar organization or agency succeeding to its functions of reporting prices), the most recent bid price per share of the Common Stock so reported, or (d) in all other cases, the fair market value of a share of Common Stock as determined by an independent appraiser selected in good faith by the Holders of a majority in interest of the Series B Preferred Stock then outstanding and reasonably acceptable to the Corporation, the fees and expenses of which shall be paid by the Corporation.

Section 2. Designation, Amount and Par Value. The series of preferred stock shall be designated as the Corporation's Series B Preferred Stock (the "Series B Preferred Stock") and the number of shares so designated shall be 11,500,000 (which number shall not be subject to increase without the written consent of the holders of the Series B Preferred Stock (each, a "Holder" and collectively, the "Holders")). Each share of Series B Preferred Stock shall have a par value of \$0.001 per share and a stated value equal to \$4.75 subject to increase as set forth in Section 3 below (the "Stated Value").

### Section 3. Dividends.

a) Holders shall be entitled to receive, and the Corporation shall pay, dividends on shares of Series B Preferred Stock equal (on an as-ifconverted-to-Common-Stock basis) to and in the same form as dividends (other than dividends in the form of Common Stock) actually paid on shares of the Series A Preferred Stock, Common Stock or other Junior Securities when, as and if such dividends (other than dividends in the form of Common Stock) are paid on shares of the Series A Preferred Stock, Common Stock or other Junior Securities. Other than as set forth in the previous sentence, no other dividends shall be paid on shares of Series B Preferred Stock; and the Corporation shall pay no dividends (other than dividends in the form of Common Stock) on shares of the Series A Preferred Stock, Common Stock or other Junior Securities unless it simultaneously complies with the previous sentence. All declared but unpaid dividends on shares of Series B Preferred Stock shall increase the Stated Value of such shares, but when such dividends are actually paid any such increase in the Stated Value shall be rescinded.

b) So long as any shares of Series B Preferred Stock remain outstanding, neither the Corporation nor any subsidiary thereof shall redeem, purchase or otherwise acquire directly or indirectly any material amount of Series A Preferred Stock or Junior Securities.

Section 4. Voting Rights. Except as otherwise provided herein or as otherwise required by law, the Series B Preferred Stock shall have no voting rights. However, as long as any shares of Series B Preferred Stock are outstanding, the Corporation shall not, without the affirmative vote of the Holders of at least a majority in Stated Value of Series B Preferred Stock, except as may be necessary to increase the authorized shares of Common Stock in order to account for any increase in the number of shares issuable upon conversion of the Series B Preferred Stock, (a) alter or change adversely the powers, preferences or rights given to the Series B Preferred Stock or alter or amend this Certificate of Designation, (b) authorize or create any class of stock ranking as to dividends, redemption or distribution of assets upon a Liquidation senior to the Series B Preferred Stock, (c) amend its certificate of incorporation or other charter documents in any manner that adversely affects any rights of the Holders, (d) increase the number of authorized shares of Series B Preferred Stock, or (e) enter into any agreement with respect to any of the foregoing.

<u>Section 5.</u> <u>Liquidation</u>. Upon any liquidation, dissolution or winding-up of the Corporation, whether voluntary or involuntary (a "<u>Liquidation</u>"), the assets of the Corporation available for distribution to its stockholders shall be distributed <u>pari passu</u> among the holders of the shares of Common Stock, Series A Preferred Stock and Series B Preferred Stock, pro rata based on the number of shares held by each such holder, treating for this purpose all such securities as if they had been converted to Common Stock, pursuant to the terms of the Articles of Incorporation immediately prior to such Liquidation. The Corporation shall mail written notice of any such Liquidation, not less than 45 days prior to the payment date stated therein, to each Holder.

<u>Section 6.</u> <u>Conversion</u>. The Holders of the Series B Preferred Stock shall not have the right to convert the Series B Preferred Stock into issued and outstanding shares of Common Stock unless, and until the stockholders of the Corporation approve the conversion provisions in Section 6 of this Certificate of Designation, which consent shall be provided in accordance with the rules of the Nasdaq Global Market. If the stockholders of this Corporation approve of the conversion provisions hereof, the shares of Series B Preferred Stock shall, at the time that such approval is obtained (the "<u>Conversion Consent Date</u>"), without any further action of any kind, automatically become convertible in the manner provided in this Certificate of Designation.

Conversions at Option of Holder. Each share of Series B Preferred Stock shall be convertible, at any time and from time to time a) from and after the Conversion Consent Date at the option of the Holder thereof, into that number of shares of Common Stock (subject to the limitations set forth in Section 6(d)) determined by dividing the Stated Value of such share of Series B Preferred Stock by the Conversion Price. Holders shall effect conversions by providing the Corporation with the form of conversion notice attached hereto as Annex A (a "Notice of Conversion"). Each Notice of Conversion shall specify the number of shares of Series B Preferred Stock to be converted, the number of shares of Series B Preferred Stock owned prior to the conversion at issue, the number of shares of Series B Preferred Stock owned subsequent to the conversion at issue and the date on which such conversion is to be effected, which date may not be prior to the date the applicable Holder delivers by facsimile or e-mail of a PDF document (with confirmation of transmission) such Notice of Conversion to the Corporation (such date, the "Conversion Date"). If no Conversion Date is specified in a Notice of Conversion, the Conversion Date shall be the date that such Notice of Conversion to the Corporation is deemed delivered hereunder. The calculations and entries set forth in the Notice of Conversion shall control in the absence of manifest or mathematical error. To effect conversions of shares of Series B Preferred Stock, a Holder shall not be required to surrender the certificate(s) representing the shares of Series B Preferred Stock to the Corporation unless (i) the full or remaining number of shares of Series B Preferred Stock represented by such certificate are being converted or (ii) such Holder has provided the Corporation with prior written notice (which notice may be included in a Notice of Conversion) requesting reissuance of a certificate representing the remaining shares of Series B Preferred Stock upon physical surrender of any certificate representing the shares of Series B Preferred Stock being converted. Each Holder and the Corporation shall maintain records showing the number of shares of Series B Preferred Stock so converted by such Holder and the dates of such conversions or shall use such other method, reasonably satisfactory to such Holder and the Corporation, so as not to require physical surrender of the certificate representing the shares of Series B Preferred Stock upon each such conversion. In the event of any dispute or discrepancy, such records of the Corporation establishing the number of shares of Series B Preferred Stock to which the record holder is entitled shall be controlling and determinative in the absence of manifest error. Shares of Series B Preferred Stock converted into Common Stock in accordance with the terms hereof shall be canceled and shall not be reissued.

b) <u>Conversion Price</u>. The conversion price for the Series B Preferred Stock shall equal \$4.75, subject to adjustment herein (the "<u>Conversion Price</u>").

## c) <u>Mechanics of Conversion</u>

i. <u>Delivery of Certificate Upon Conversion</u>. Not later than three (3) Trading Days after each Conversion Date (the "<u>Share</u> <u>Delivery Date</u>"), the Corporation shall deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the converting Holder (A) a certificate or certificates free of restrictive legends representing the number of Conversion Shares being acquired upon the conversion of the Series B Preferred Stock, and (B) a bank check in the amount of accrued and unpaid dividends. If requested by the Holder, the Corporation shall use its best efforts to deliver any certificate or certificates required to be delivered by the Corporation under this Section 6 electronically through the Depository Trust Company or another established clearing corporation performing similar functions.

ii. <u>Failure to Deliver Certificates</u>. If, in the case of any Notice of Conversion, such certificate or certificates are not delivered to or as directed by the applicable Holder by the Share Delivery Date, the Holder shall be entitled to elect by written notice to the Corporation at any time on or before its receipt of such certificate or certificates, to rescind such conversion, in which event the Corporation shall promptly return to the Holder any original Series B Preferred Stock certificates delivered to the Corporation and the Holder shall promptly return to the Corporation the Common Stock certificates issued to such Holder pursuant to the rescinded Conversion Notice.

Obligation Absolute; Partial Liquidated Damages. The Corporation's obligation to issue and deliver the Conversion Shares iii. upon conversion of Series B Preferred Stock in accordance with the terms hereof are absolute and unconditional, irrespective of any action or inaction by a Holder to enforce the same, any waiver or consent with respect to any provision hereof, the recovery of any judgment against any Person or any action to enforce the same, or any setoff, counterclaim, recoupment, limitation or termination, or any breach or alleged breach by such Holder or any other Person of any obligation to the Corporation or any violation or alleged violation of law by such Holder or any other person, and irrespective of any other circumstance which might otherwise limit such obligation of the Corporation to such Holder in connection with the issuance of such Conversion Shares; provided, however, that such delivery shall not operate as a waiver by the Corporation of any such action that the Corporation may have against such Holder. In the event a Holder shall elect to convert any or all of its Series B Preferred Stock, the Corporation may not refuse conversion based on any claim that such Holder or anyone associated or affiliated with such Holder has been engaged in any violation of law, agreement or for any other reason, unless an injunction from a court, on notice to Holder, restraining and/or enjoining conversion of all or part of the Series B Preferred Stock of such Holder shall have been sought and obtained, and the Corporation posts a surety bond for the benefit of such Holder in the amount of 150% of the Stated Value of Series B Preferred Stock which is subject to the injunction, which bond shall remain in effect until the completion of arbitration/litigation of the underlying dispute and the proceeds of which shall be payable to such Holder to the extent it obtains judgment. In the absence of such injunction, the Corporation shall issue Conversion Shares and, if applicable, cash, upon a properly noticed conversion. Nothing herein shall limit a Holder's right to pursue actual damages for the Corporation's failure to deliver Conversion Shares within the period specified herein and such Holder shall have the right to pursue all remedies available to it hereunder, at law or in equity including, without limitation, a decree of specific performance and/or injunctive relief. The exercise of any such rights shall not prohibit a Holder from seeking to enforce damages pursuant to any other Section hereof or under applicable law.

Compensation for Buy-In on Failure to Timely Deliver Certificates Upon Conversion. In addition to any other rights available to the Holder, if the Corporation fails for any reason to deliver to a Holder the applicable certificate or certificates by the Share Delivery Date pursuant to Section 6(c)(i), and if after such Share Delivery Date such Holder is required by its brokerage firm to purchase (in an open market transaction or otherwise), or the Holder's brokerage firm otherwise purchases, shares of Common Stock to deliver in satisfaction of a sale by such Holder of the Conversion Shares which such Holder was entitled to receive upon the conversion relating to such Share Delivery Date (a "Buy-In"), then the Corporation shall (A) pay in cash to such Holder (in addition to any other remedies available to or elected by such Holder) the amount, if any, by which (x) such Holder's total purchase price (including any brokerage commissions) for the Common Stock so purchased exceeds (y) the product of (1) the aggregate number of shares of Common Stock that such Holder was entitled to receive from the conversion at issue multiplied by (2) the actual sale price at which the sell order giving rise to such purchase obligation was executed (including any brokerage commissions) and (B) at the option of such Holder, either reissue (if surrendered) the shares of Series B Preferred Stock equal to the number of shares of Series B Preferred Stock submitted for conversion (in which case, such conversion shall be deemed rescinded) or deliver to such Holder the number of shares of Common Stock that would have been issued if the Corporation had timely complied with its delivery requirements under Section 6(c)(i). For example, if a Holder purchases shares of Common Stock having a total purchase price of \$11,000 to cover a Buy-In with respect to an attempted conversion of shares of Series B Preferred Stock with respect to which the actual sale price of the Conversion Shares (including any brokerage commissions) giving rise to such purchase obligation was a total of \$10,000 under clause (A) of the immediately preceding sentence, the Corporation shall be required to pay such Holder \$1,000. The Holder shall provide the Corporation written notice indicating the amounts payable to such Holder in respect of the Buy-In and, upon request of the Corporation, evidence of the amount of such loss. Nothing herein shall limit a Holder's right to pursue any other remedies available to it hereunder, at law or in equity including, without limitation, a decree of specific performance and/or injunctive relief with respect to the Corporation's failure to timely deliver certificates representing shares of Common Stock upon conversion of the shares of Series B Preferred Stock as required pursuant to the terms hereof.

v. <u>Reservation of Shares Issuable Upon Conversion</u>. The Corporation covenants that it will at all times reserve and keep available out of its authorized and unissued shares of Common Stock for the sole purpose of issuance upon conversion of the Series B Preferred Stock as herein provided, free from preemptive rights or any other actual contingent purchase rights of Persons other than the Holder (and the other holders of the Series B Preferred Stock), not less than such aggregate number of shares of the Common Stock as shall (subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Purchase Agreement) be issuable (taking into account the adjustments and restrictions of Section 7) upon the conversion of the then outstanding shares of Series B Preferred Stock. The Corporation covenants that all shares of Common Stock that shall be so issuable shall, upon issue, be duly authorized, validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable and, if the Conversion Shares Registration Statement is then effective under the Securities Act, shall be registered for public resale in accordance with such Conversion Shares Registration Statement (subject to such Holder's compliance with its obligations under the Registration Rights Agreement).

vi. <u>Fractional Shares</u>. No fractional shares or scrip representing fractional shares shall be issued upon the conversion of the Series B Preferred Stock. As to any fraction of a share which the Holder would otherwise be entitled to purchase upon such conversion, the Corporation shall at its election, either pay a cash adjustment in respect of such final fraction in an amount equal to such fraction multiplied by the Conversion Price or round up to the next whole share.

vii. <u>Transfer Taxes</u>. The issuance of certificates for shares of the Common Stock on conversion of the Series B Preferred Stock shall be made without charge to any Holder for any documentary stamp or similar taxes that may be payable in respect of the issue or delivery of such certificates, provided that the Corporation shall not be required to pay any tax that may be payable in respect of any transfer involved in the issuance and delivery of any such certificate upon conversion in a name other than that of the Holders of such shares of Series B Preferred Stock and the Corporation shall not be required to issue or deliver such certificates unless or until the Person or Persons requesting the issuance thereof shall have paid to the Corporation the amount of such tax or shall have established to the satisfaction of the Corporation that such tax has been paid.

d) Beneficial Ownership Limitation. The Corporation shall not effect any conversion of the Series B Preferred Stock, and a Holder shall not have the right to convert any portion of the Series B Preferred Stock, to the extent that, after giving effect to the conversion set forth on the applicable Notice of Conversion, such Holder (together with such Holder's Affiliates, and any Persons acting as a group together with such Holder or any of such Holder's Affiliates) would beneficially own in excess of the Beneficial Ownership Limitation. For purposes of the foregoing sentence, the number of shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by such Holder and its Affiliates shall include the number of shares of Common Stock issuable upon conversion of the Series B Preferred Stock with respect to which such determination is being made, but shall exclude the number of shares of Common Stock which are issuable upon (i) conversion of the remaining, unconverted Stated Value of Series B Preferred Stock beneficially owned by such Holder or any of its Affiliates and (ii) exercise or conversion of the unexercised or unconverted portion of any other securities of the Corporation subject to a limitation on conversion or exercise analogous to the limitation contained herein (including, without limitation, the Series B Preferred Stock and the Series A Preferred Stock) beneficially owned by such Holder or any of its Affiliates. Except as set forth in the preceding sentence, for purposes of this Section 6(d), beneficial ownership shall be calculated in accordance with Section 13(d) of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder. To the extent that the limitation contained in this Section 6(d) applies, the determination of whether the Series B Preferred Stock is convertible (in relation to other securities owned by such Holder together with any Affiliates) and of how many shares of Series B Preferred Stock are convertible shall be in the sole discretion of such Holder, and the submission of a Notice of Conversion shall be deemed to be such Holder's determination of whether the shares of Series B Preferred Stock may be converted (in relation to other securities owned by such Holder together with any Affiliates) and how many shares of the Series B Preferred Stock are convertible, in each case subject to the Beneficial Ownership Limitation. To ensure compliance with this restriction, each Holder will be deemed to represent to the Corporation each time it delivers a Notice of Conversion that such Notice of Conversion has not violated the restrictions set forth in this paragraph and the Corporation shall have no obligation to verify or confirm the accuracy of such determination. In addition, a determination as to any group status as contemplated above shall be determined in accordance with Section 13(d) of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder. For purposes of this Section 6(d), in determining the number of outstanding shares of Common Stock, a Holder may rely on the number of outstanding shares of Common Stock as stated in the most recent of the following: (i) the Corporation's most recent periodic or annual report filed with the Commission, as the case may be, (ii) a more recent public announcement by the Corporation or (iii) a more recent written notice by the Corporation or the Transfer Agent setting forth the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding. Upon the written or oral request of a Holder, the Corporation shall within two Trading Days confirm orally and in writing to such Holder the number of shares of Common Stock then outstanding. In any case, the number of outstanding shares of Common Stock shall be determined after giving effect to the conversion or exercise of securities of the Corporation, including the Series B Preferred Stock, by such Holder or its Affiliates since the date as of which such number of outstanding shares of Common Stock was reported. The "Beneficial Ownership Limitation" shall be 4.99% of the number of shares of the Common Stock outstanding immediately after giving effect to the issuance of shares of Common Stock issuable upon conversion of Series B Preferred Stock held by the applicable Holder. A Holder, upon not less than 61 days' prior notice to the Corporation, may increase the Beneficial Ownership Limitation provisions of this Section 6(d) applicable to its Series B Preferred Stock provided that the Beneficial Ownership Limitation in no event exceeds 9.99% of the number of shares of the Common Stock outstanding immediately after giving effect to the issuance of shares of Common Stock upon conversion of this Series B Preferred Stock held by the Holder and the provisions of this Section 6(d) shall continue to apply. Any such increase will not be effective until the 61<sup>st</sup> day after such notice is delivered to the Corporation and shall only apply to such Holder and no other Holder. The provisions of this paragraph shall be construed and implemented in a manner otherwise than in strict conformity with the terms of this Section 6(d) to correct this paragraph (or any portion hereof) which may be defective or inconsistent with the intended Beneficial Ownership Limitation contained herein or to make changes or supplements necessary or desirable to properly give effect to such limitation. The limitations contained in this paragraph shall apply to a successor holder of Series B Preferred Stock. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, the limitations contained in this Section 6(d) shall not apply to any Holder that, at the time of the requested conversion of such Holder's shares of Series B Preferred Stock, certifies to the Corporation that he, she or it or any partner or member of such Purchaser that is deemed to be the indirect beneficial owner of such shares, was, immediately prior to such request, required to report, or exempt from reporting, his, her or its holdings and transactions relating to securities of the Corporation pursuant to Section 16 of the Exchange Act.

# Section 7. Certain Adjustments.

a) <u>Stock Dividends and Stock Splits</u>. If the Corporation, at any time while this Series B Preferred Stock is outstanding: (i) pays a stock dividend or otherwise makes a distribution or distributions payable in shares of Common Stock on shares of Common Stock or any other Common Stock Equivalents (which, for avoidance of doubt, shall not include any shares of Common Stock issued by the Corporation upon conversion of this Series B Preferred Stock), (ii) subdivides outstanding shares of Common Stock into a larger number of shares, (iii) combines (including by way of a reverse stock split) outstanding shares of Common Stock into a smaller number of shares, or (iv) issues, in the event of a reclassification of shares of the Common Stock, any shares of capital stock of the Corporation, then the Conversion Price shall be multiplied by a fraction of which the numerator shall be the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately before such event, and of which the denominator shall be the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately after such event. Any adjustment made pursuant to this Section 7(a) shall become effective immediately after the record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to receive such dividend or distribution and shall become effective immediately after the effective date in the case of a subdivision, combination or reclassification.

b) <u>Subsequent Rights Offerings</u>. If the Corporation, at any time while the Series B Preferred Stock is outstanding, shall issue rights, options or warrants to all holders of Common Stock (and not proportionately to the Holders) entitling them to subscribe for or purchase shares of Common Stock at a price per share that is lower than the VWAP on the record date for such issuance, and do not offer the same rights to the Holders, then the Holder will be entitled to acquire, upon conversion of the Series B Preferred Stock, such rights, options or warrants which the Holder could have acquired if the Holder had held the number of shares of Common Stock acquirable upon complete conversion of such Holder's Series B Preferred Stock (without regard to any limitations on the conversion of such Series B Preferred Stock) immediately before the date on which a record is taken for the issuance of such rights, options or warrants, or, if no such record is taken, the date as of which the record holders of shares of Common Stock are to be determined for the issuance of such rights, options or warrants.

c) Pro Rata Distributions. If the Corporation, at any time while this Series B Preferred Stock is outstanding, distributes to all holders of Common Stock (and not to the Holders) evidences of its indebtedness or assets (including cash and cash dividends) or rights or warrants to subscribe for or purchase any security, then in each such case the Conversion Price shall be adjusted by multiplying such Conversion Price in effect immediately prior to the record date fixed for determination of stockholders entitled to receive such distribution by a fraction of which the denominator shall be the VWAP determined as of the record date mentioned above, and of which the numerator shall be such VWAP on such record date less the then fair market value at such record date of the portion of such assets or evidence of indebtedness or rights or warrants so distributed applicable to one outstanding share of the Common Stock as determined by the Board of Directors in good faith. In either case the adjustments shall be described in a statement delivered to the Holders describing the portion of assets or evidences of indebtedness so distributed or such subscription rights applicable to one share of Common Stock. Such adjustment shall be made whenever any such distribution is made and shall become effective immediately after the record date mentioned above.

Fundamental Transaction. If, at any time while this Series B Preferred Stock is outstanding, (i) the Corporation, directly or indirectly, d) in one or more related transactions effects any merger or consolidation of the Corporation with or into another Person, (ii) the Corporation, directly or indirectly, effects any sale, lease, license, assignment, transfer, conveyance or other disposition of all or substantially all of its assets in one or a series of related transactions, (iii) any, direct or indirect, purchase offer, tender offer or exchange offer (whether by the Corporation or another Person) is completed pursuant to which holders of Common Stock are permitted to sell, tender or exchange their shares for other securities, cash or property and has been accepted by the holders of 50% or more of the outstanding Common Stock, (iv) the Corporation, directly or indirectly, in one or more related transactions effects any reclassification, reorganization or recapitalization of the Common Stock or any compulsory share exchange pursuant to which the Common Stock is effectively converted into or exchanged for other securities, cash or property, (v) the Corporation, directly or indirectly, in one or more related transactions consummates a stock or share purchase agreement or other business combination (including, without limitation, a reorganization, recapitalization, spin-off or scheme of arrangement) with another Person whereby such other Person acquires more than 50% of the outstanding shares of Common Stock (not including any shares of Common Stock held by the other Person or other Persons making or party to, or associated or affiliated with the other Persons making or party to, such stock or share purchase agreement or other business combination and excluding shares acquired upon conversion of any currently outstanding convertible securities in accordance with the terms thereof as in effect on the date hereof) (each a "Fundamental Transaction"), then, upon any subsequent conversion of this Series B Preferred Stock, the Holder shall have the right to receive, for each Conversion Share that would have been issuable upon such conversion immediately prior to the occurrence of such Fundamental Transaction (without regard to any limitation in Section 6(d) on the conversion of this Series B Preferred Stock), the number of shares of Common Stock of the successor or acquiring corporation or of the Corporation, if it is the surviving corporation, and any additional consideration (the "Alternate Consideration") receivable as a result of such Fundamental Transaction by a holder of the number of shares of Common Stock for which this Series B Preferred Stock is convertible immediately prior to such Fundamental Transaction (without regard to any limitation in Section 6(d) on the conversion of this Series B Preferred Stock). For purposes of any such conversion, the determination of the Conversion Price shall be appropriately adjusted to apply to such Alternate Consideration based on the amount of Alternate Consideration issuable in respect of one share of Common Stock in such Fundamental Transaction, and the Corporation shall apportion the Conversion Price among the Alternate Consideration in a reasonable manner reflecting the relative value of any different components of the Alternate Consideration. If holders of Common Stock are given any choice as to the securities, cash or property to be received in a Fundamental Transaction, then the Holder shall be given the same choice as to the Alternate Consideration it receives upon any conversion of this Series B Preferred Stock following such Fundamental Transaction. To the extent necessary to effectuate the foregoing provisions, any successor to the Corporation or surviving entity in such Fundamental Transaction shall file a new Certificate of Designation with the same terms and conditions and issue to the Holders new preferred stock consistent with the foregoing provisions and evidencing the Holders' right to convert such preferred stock into Alternate Consideration. The Corporation shall cause any successor entity in a Fundamental Transaction in which the Corporation is not the survivor (the "Successor Entity") to assume in writing all of the obligations of the Corporation under this Certificate of Designation and the other Transaction Documents in accordance with the provisions of this Section 7(d) pursuant to written agreements in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Holder and approved by the Holder (without unreasonable delay) prior to such Fundamental Transaction and shall, at the option of the holder of this Series B Preferred Stock, deliver to the Holder in exchange for this Series B Preferred Stock a security of the Successor Entity evidenced by a written instrument substantially similar in form and substance to this Series B Preferred Stock which is convertible for a corresponding number of shares of capital stock of such Successor Entity (or its parent entity) equivalent to the shares of Common Stock acquirable and receivable upon conversion of this Series B Preferred Stock (without regard to any limitations on the conversion of this Series B Preferred Stock) prior to such Fundamental Transaction, and with a conversion price which applies the conversion price hereunder to such shares of capital stock (but taking into account the relative value of the shares of Common Stock pursuant to such Fundamental Transaction and the value of such shares of capital stock, such number of shares of capital stock and such conversion price being for the purpose of protecting the economic value of this Series B Preferred Stock immediately prior to the consummation of such Fundamental Transaction), and which is reasonably satisfactory in form and substance to the Holder. Upon the occurrence of any such Fundamental Transaction, the Successor Entity shall succeed to, and be substituted for (so that from and after the date of such Fundamental Transaction, the provisions of this Certificate of Designation and the other Transaction Documents referring to the "Corporation" shall refer instead to the Successor Entity), and may exercise every right and power of the Corporation and shall assume all of the obligations of the Corporation under this Certificate of Designation and the other Transaction Documents with the same effect as if such Successor Entity had been named as the Corporation herein.

e) <u>Calculations</u>. All calculations under this Section 7 shall be made to the nearest cent or the nearest 1/100th of a share, as the case may be. For purposes of this Section 7, the number of shares of Common Stock deemed to be issued and outstanding as of a given date shall be the sum of the number of shares of Common Stock (excluding any treasury shares of the Corporation) issued and outstanding.

# f) <u>Notice to the Holders</u>.

i. <u>Adjustment to Conversion Price</u>. Whenever the Conversion Price is adjusted pursuant to any provision of this Section 7, the Corporation shall promptly deliver to each Holder a notice setting forth the Conversion Price after such adjustment and setting forth a brief statement of the facts requiring such adjustment.

Notice to Allow Conversion by Holder. If (A) the Corporation shall declare a dividend (or any other distribution in ii. whatever form) on the Common Stock. (B) the Corporation shall declare a special nonrecurring cash dividend on or a redemption of the Common Stock, (C) the Corporation shall authorize the granting to all holders of the Common Stock of rights or warrants to subscribe for or purchase any shares of capital stock of any class or of any rights, (D) the approval of any stockholders of the Corporation shall be required in connection with any reclassification of the Common Stock, any consolidation or merger to which the Corporation is a party, any sale or transfer of all or substantially all of the assets of the Corporation, or any compulsory share exchange whereby the Common Stock is converted into other securities, cash or property or (E) the Corporation shall authorize the voluntary or involuntary dissolution, liquidation or winding up of the affairs of the Corporation, then, in each case, the Corporation shall cause to be filed at each office or agency maintained for the purpose of conversion of this Series B Preferred Stock, and shall cause to be delivered to each Holder at its last address as it shall appear upon the stock books of the Corporation, at least ten (10) calendar days prior to the applicable record or effective date hereinafter specified, a notice stating (x) the date on which a record is to be taken for the purpose of such dividend, distribution, redemption, rights or warrants, or if a record is not to be taken, the date as of which the holders of the Common Stock of record to be entitled to such dividend, distributions, redemption, rights or warrants are to be determined or (y) the date on which such reclassification, consolidation, merger, sale, transfer or share exchange is expected to become effective or close, and the date as of which it is expected that holders of the Common Stock of record shall be entitled to exchange their shares of the Common Stock for securities, cash or other property deliverable upon such reclassification, consolidation, merger, sale, transfer or share exchange, provided that the failure to deliver such notice or any defect therein or in the delivery thereof shall not affect the validity of the corporate action required to be specified in such notice. To the extent that any notice provided hereunder constitutes, or contains, material, non-public information regarding the Corporation or any of the Subsidiaries, the Corporation shall simultaneously file such notice with the Commission pursuant to a Current Report on Form 8-K. The Holder shall remain entitled to convert the Conversion Amount of the Series B Preferred Stock (or any part hereof) during the 10-day period commencing on the date of such notice through the effective date of the event triggering such notice except as may otherwise be expressly set forth herein.

<u>Section 8.</u> <u>Mandatory Conversion</u>. Following the Conversion Consent Date, upon the written election of the Holders of a majority of the outstanding number of shares of Series B Preferred Stock (the date of such election or issuance of a notice is referred to herein as the "<u>Mandatory Conversion Time</u>") all outstanding shares of Series B Preferred Stock shall immediately and automatically be converted into shares of Common Stock, at the then effective Conversion Price as calculated pursuant to Section 6. All holders of record of shares of Series B Preferred Stock shall be sent written notice of the Mandatory Conversion Time along with instructions for converting the outstanding Series B Preferred Stock certificates. If such election shall have been duly made and notice of mandatory conversion shall have been duly given, then, notwithstanding that the certificate evidencing any shares of Series B Preferred Stock so converted remain outstanding and shall not have been surrendered, all rights pertaining to such shares shall terminate, except only the right of the Holders to receive Common Stock certificates upon surrender of their Series B Preferred Stock certificates; provided, that the rights pertaining to such shares that remain unconverted pursuant to the beneficial ownership limitations set forth in Section 6(d) shall not be affected. For purposes of clarification, a conversion effected pursuant to the terms of this Section 8 shall be subject to all of the provisions of Section 6, including, without limitation, the provisions requiring payment of liquidated damages and beneficial ownership limitations.

# Section 9. Miscellaneous.

Notices. Any and all notices or other communications or deliveries to be provided by the Holders hereunder including, without a) limitation, any Notice of Conversion, shall be in writing and delivered personally, by facsimile, e-mail of a PDF document (with confirmation of transmission), or sent by a nationally recognized overnight courier service, addressed to the Corporation at 112 West 34<sup>th</sup> Street, 18<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10120, Attention: Chief Executive Officer, facsimile number (646) 365-0648, or such other facsimile number or e-mail or street address as the Corporation may specify for such purposes by notice to the Holders delivered in accordance with this Section 9. Any and all notices or other communications or deliveries to be provided by the Corporation hereunder shall be in writing and delivered personally, by facsimile, e-mail of a PDF document (with confirmation of transmission), or sent by a nationally recognized overnight courier service addressed to each Holder at the facsimile number or address of such Holder appearing on the books of the Corporation, or if no such facsimile number or e-mail or street address appears on the books of the Corporation, at the principal place of business of such Holder, as set forth in the Purchase Agreement. Any notice or other communication or deliveries hereunder shall be deemed given and effective on the earliest of (i) the date of transmission, if such notice or communication is delivered via facsimile or e-mail of a PDF document (with confirmation of transmission) prior to 5:30 p.m. (New York City time) on any date, (ii) the next Trading Day after the date of transmission, if such notice or communication is delivered via facsimile or e-mail of a PDF document (with confirmation of transmission) on a day that is not a Trading Day or later than 5:30 p.m. (New York City time) on any Trading Day, (iii) the second Trading Day following the date of mailing, if sent by U.S. nationally recognized overnight courier service, or (iv) upon actual receipt by the party to whom such notice is required to be given.

b) <u>Absolute Obligation</u>. Except as expressly provided herein, no provision of this Certificate of Designation shall alter or impair the obligation of the Corporation, which is absolute and unconditional, to pay liquidated damages, accrued dividends and accrued interest, as applicable, on the shares of Series B Preferred Stock at the time, place, and rate, and in the coin or currency, herein prescribed.

c) <u>Lost or Mutilated Series B Preferred Stock Certificate</u>. If a Holder's Series B Preferred Stock certificate shall be mutilated, lost, stolen or destroyed, the Corporation shall execute and deliver, in exchange and substitution for and upon cancellation of a mutilated certificate, or in lieu of or in substitution for a lost, stolen or destroyed certificate, a new certificate for the shares of Series B Preferred Stock so mutilated, lost, stolen or destroyed, but only upon receipt of evidence of such loss, theft or destruction of such certificate, and of the ownership hereof reasonably satisfactory to the Corporation.

Governing Law. All questions concerning the construction, validity, enforcement and interpretation of this Certificate of Designation d) shall be governed by and construed and enforced in accordance with the internal laws of the State of Delaware, without regard to the principles of conflict of laws thereof. Each party agrees that all legal proceedings concerning the interpretation, enforcement and defense of the transactions contemplated by any of the Transaction Documents (whether brought against a party hereto or its respective Affiliates, directors, officers, shareholders, employees or agents) shall be commenced in the state and federal courts sitting in the City of New York, Borough of Manhattan (the "New York Courts"). Each party hereto hereby irrevocably submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of the New York Courts for the adjudication of any dispute hereunder or in connection herewith or with any transaction contemplated hereby or discussed herein (including with respect to the enforcement of any of the Transaction Documents), and hereby irrevocably waives, and agrees not to assert in any suit, action or proceeding, any claim that it is not personally subject to the jurisdiction of such New York Courts, or such New York Courts are improper or inconvenient venue for such proceeding. Each party hereby irrevocably waives personal service of process and consents to process being served in any such suit, action or proceeding by mailing a copy thereof via registered or certified mail or overnight delivery (with evidence of delivery) to such party at the address in effect for notices to it under this Certificate of Designation and agrees that such service shall constitute good and sufficient service of process and notice thereof. Nothing contained herein shall be deemed to limit in any way any right to serve process in any other manner permitted by applicable law. Each party hereto hereby irrevocably waives, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, any and all right to trial by jury in any legal proceeding arising out of or relating to this Certificate of Designation or the transactions contemplated hereby. If any party shall commence an action or proceeding to enforce any provisions of this Certificate of Designation, then the prevailing party in such action or proceeding shall be reimbursed by the other party for its attorneys' fees and other costs and expenses incurred in the investigation, preparation and prosecution of such action or proceeding.

e) <u>Waiver</u>. Any waiver by the Corporation or a Holder of a breach of any provision of this Certificate of Designation shall not operate as or be construed to be a waiver of any other breach of such provision or of any breach of any other provision of this Certificate of Designation or a waiver by any other Holders. The failure of the Corporation or a Holder to insist upon strict adherence to any term of this Certificate of Designation on one or more occasions shall not be considered a waiver or deprive that party (or any other Holder) of the right thereafter to insist upon strict adherence to that term or any other term of this Certificate of Designation on any other occasion. Any waiver by the Corporation or a Holder must be in writing.

f) <u>Severability</u>. If any provision of this Certificate of Designation is invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the balance of this Certificate of Designation shall remain in effect, and if any provision is inapplicable to any Person or circumstance, it shall nevertheless remain applicable to all other Persons and circumstances. If it shall be found that any interest or other amount deemed interest due hereunder violates the applicable law governing usury, the applicable rate of interest due hereunder shall automatically be lowered to equal the maximum rate of interest permitted under applicable law.

g) <u>Next Business Day</u>. Whenever any payment or other obligation hereunder shall be due on a day other than a Business Day, such payment shall be made on the next succeeding Business Day.

h) <u>Headings</u>. The headings contained herein are for convenience only, do not constitute a part of this Certificate of Designation and shall not be deemed to limit or affect any of the provisions hereof.

i) <u>Status of Converted Series B Preferred Stock</u>. Shares of Series B Preferred Stock may only be issued pursuant to the Purchase Agreement. If any shares of Series B Preferred Stock shall be converted or reacquired by the Corporation, such shares shall resume the status of authorized but unissued shares of preferred stock and shall no longer be designated as Series B Preferred Stock.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has duly executed this Certificate of Designations on behalf of the Corporation this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2017.

# By: /s/ MARIA FARDIS

Name:Maria FardisTitle:Chief Executive Officer

## ANNEX A NOTICE OF CONVERSION

## (TO BE EXECUTED BY THE REGISTERED HOLDER IN ORDER TO CONVERT SHARES OF SERIES B PREFERRED STOCK)

The undersigned hereby elects to convert the number of shares of Series B Preferred Stock indicated below into shares (the "Conversion Shares") of common stock, par value \$0.000041666 per share (the "<u>Common Stock</u>"), of Lion Biotechnologies, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "<u>Corporation</u>"), according to the conditions hereof, as of the date written below. If Conversion Shares are to be issued in the name of a Person other than the undersigned, the undersigned will pay all transfer taxes payable with respect thereto and is delivering herewith such certificates and opinions as may be required by the Corporation in accordance with the Purchase Agreement. No fee will be charged to the Holders for any conversion, except for any such transfer taxes. In order to induce the Corporation to issue the stock certificate representing the Conversion Shares without a restrictive legend, the undersigned hereby agrees to comply with the covenants set forth in Section 5.3 of the Purchase Agreement. If the Conversion Shares are not covered by an effective resale registration statement at the time that the undersigned intends to resell the Conversion Shares, the undersigned will not resell the Conversion Shares unless Rule 144, or another exemption, is applicable, and then only in full compliance with Rule 144, or such other exemption, after receiving an opinion of counsel that the Conversion Shares can be sold under Rule 144, or such other exemption.

Conversion calculations:

Date to Effect Conversion:		
Number of shares of Preferred Stock owned prior to Conversion:		
Number of shares of Preferred Stock to be Converted:		
Aggregate Stated Value of Preferred Stock to be Converted:		
Number of shares of Common Stock to be Issued:		
Applicable Conversion Price:		
Shares of Preferred Stock owned subsequent to Conversion:		
Address for Delivery: or DWA Broker no: Account no:		
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	By:	
		Name: Title:

## TroyGould PC 1801 Century Park East, 16th Floor Los Angeles, California 90067

July 31, 2017

Iovance Biotherapeutics, Inc. 999 Skyway Road, Suite 150 San Carlos, California 94070

#### Re: Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to Registration Statement on Form S-3

## Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as counsel to Iovance Biotherapeutics, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), in connection with a Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to Registration Statement on Form S-3, including a related prospectus (the "Registration Statement"), to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") on or about the date of this letter, for the registration of up to 13,993,935 shares (the "Shares") of common stock of the Company, par value \$0.000041666 per share, which are being registered in connection with the proposed sale of the Shares by the selling stockholders identified therein. The Shares consist of (i) 6,680,719 currently outstanding shares of Common Stock, (ii) 847,000 shares of Common Stock (the "Series A Conversion Shares") issuable upon conversion of the Company's outstanding shares of Series A Convertible Preferred Stock, and (iii) 6,466,216 shares of Common Stock (the "Warrant Shares") issuable upon the exercise of currently outstanding Common Stock purchase warrants (the "Warrants"). This letter is furnished to you at your request and in connection with the requirements of Item 601(b)(5) of Regulation S-K under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act").

In connection with this letter, we have examined and relied upon originals or copies of such records, documents, certificates and other instruments as in our judgment are necessary or appropriate to enable us to render the opinions expressed below. We have also reviewed such matters of law as we considered necessary or appropriate as a basis for the opinions expressed below.

With your permission, we have made and relied upon the following assumptions, without any independent investigation or inquiry by us, and our opinions expressed below are subject to, and limited and qualified by the effect of, such assumptions: (1) all corporate records furnished to us by the Company are accurate and complete; (2) the Registration Statement to be filed by the Company with the Commission will be identical to the form of the document that we have reviewed; (3) all statements as to factual matters that are contained in the Registration Statement (including the exhibits to the Registration Statement) are accurate and complete; and (4) with respect to documents that we reviewed in connection with this letter, all documents submitted to us as originals are authentic; all documents submitted to us as certified, facsimile, or photostatic copies conform to the originals of such documents, and such original documents are authentic; the signatures on all documents are genuine; and all natural persons who have executed any of the documents had the legal capacity to do so.

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The law covered by our opinions expressed below is limited to the general corporation law of the State of Delaware as set for in the Delaware General Corporation Law (the "DGCL"), including applicable rules and regulations promulgated under the DGCL and applicable reported judicial decisions interpreting the DGCL. We neither express nor imply any opinion with respect to any other laws or the laws of any other jurisdiction.

We undertake no, and hereby disclaim any, obligation to advise you of any change in any matter set forth herein, whether based on a change in laws, a change in any fact relating to the Company, or any other circumstance. This letter is limited to the matters expressly stated herein, and no opinions are to be inferred or may be implied beyond the opinions expressly set forth below. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, we neither express nor imply any opinion regarding the contents of the Registration Statement, other than as expressly stated below with respect to the Shares.

Based upon and subject to the foregoing, we are of the opinion that (i) the 6,680,719 shares of Common Stock outstanding on the date hereof that are being registered for resale are validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable, (ii) the Series A Conversion Shares, when issued upon conversion of the Series A Convertible Preferred Stock in accordance with the terms of the Series A Convertible Preferred Stock, will be validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable, and (iii) the Warrant Shares, when issued and paid for in accordance with the terms of the Warrants, will be validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable.

This letter is rendered to you solely in connection with the transactions contemplated by the Registration Statement and may not be relied upon for any other purpose. We consent to the filing with the Commission of this letter as Exhibit 5.1 to the Registration Statement and to the reference to our firm under the caption "Legal Matters" in the prospectus that forms part of the Registration Statement. In giving such consent, we do not thereby admit that we are within the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Securities Act or the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder.

Very truly yours, /s/ TroyGould PC

TROYGOULD PC

## INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM'S CONSENT

We consent to the incorporation by reference in this Registration Statement of Iovance Biotherapeutics, Inc. (formerly known as Lion Biotechnologies, Inc.) on Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to Form S-3 (File No. 333-214073) of our report dated March 8, 2017, with respect to our audit of the financial statements of Lion Biotechnologies, Inc. as of December 31, 2016 and for the year then ended and our report dated March 8, 2017 with respect to our audit of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting of Lion Biotechnologies, Inc. as of December 31, 2016. We also consent to the reference to our firm under the heading "Experts" in such Prospectus.

/s/ Marcum LLP

Marcum LLP New York, NY July 31, 2017

# CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We consent to the incorporation by reference in this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-214073) of our report dated March 11, 2016, with respect to the financial statements of Lion Biotechnologies, Inc. as of December 31, 2015 and 2014, and for the years then ended, which appear in Lion Biotechnologies, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 9, 2017. We also consent to the reference to our firm under the heading "Experts" in the Registration Statement.

/s/ Weinberg & Company, P.A. Los Angeles, California July 31, 2017