

Atara Biotherapeutics Announces Changes to Its Board of Directors

THOUSAND OAKS, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- [Atara Biotherapeutics, Inc.](#) (Nasdaq: ATRA) today announced that Carol Gallagher will assume the role of Chair of the Board of Directors, replacing Ron Renaud, who is stepping down to focus on his new position as Managing Director at Bain Capital Life Sciences.

“Since 2020, I have had the privilege of serving on Atara’s Board of Directors and witnessing firsthand the progress across its pipeline of potentially transformative therapies,” said Ron Renaud. “Atara has a best-in-class team of visionaries who I wish success on their journey to transform the lives of patients with high unmet medical need. I have worked alongside Carol for years and have full confidence that she will help drive Atara’s growth to new heights as Chair.”

Carol Gallagher, Pharm.D. is a venture partner in the life sciences practice of New Enterprise Associates and an experienced public company director. She has served as a Director at Atara since 2013 and as a member of both the Compensation and Nominating and Corporate Governance Committees. Gallagher was formerly the President and CEO of Calistoga Pharmaceuticals and has held commercial and drug development roles within Eli Lilly, Amgen, Agouron, Pfizer and Biogen Idec.

Atara also announced that after four years of service, Roy Baynes, M.D., Ph.D., has decided to step down from Atara’s Board of Directors to pursue other external opportunities following his retirement from Merck.

“On behalf of Atara and its Board of Directors, I want to express my gratitude to both Ron and Roy for their dedicated service to our company and its shareholders,” said Pascal Touchon, President and Chief Executive Officer of Atara. “We look forward to entering an exciting year under Carol’s Board stewardship as we progress toward realizing the full potential of our EBV T-cell platform across multiple therapeutic areas.”

About Atara Biotherapeutics, Inc.

[Atara Biotherapeutics, Inc.](#) ([@Atarabio](#)) is a pioneer in T-cell immunotherapy leveraging its novel allogeneic EBV T-cell platform to develop transformative therapies for patients with serious diseases including solid tumors, hematologic cancers and autoimmune disease. With our lead program receiving marketing authorization in Europe, Atara is the most advanced allogeneic T-cell immunotherapy company and intends to rapidly deliver off-the-shelf treatments to patients with high unmet medical need. Our platform leverages the unique biology of EBV T cells and has the capability to treat a wide range of EBV-associated diseases, or other serious diseases through incorporation of engineered CARs (chimeric antigen receptors) or TCRs (T-cell receptors). Atara is applying this one platform, which does not require TCR or HLA gene editing, to create a robust pipeline including: tab-cel for Epstein-Barr virus positive post-transplant lymphoproliferative disease (EBV+ PTLD) and

other EBV-driven diseases; ATA188, a T-cell immunotherapy targeting EBV antigens as a potential treatment for multiple sclerosis; and multiple next-generation chimeric antigen receptor T-cell (CAR-T) immunotherapies for both solid tumors and hematologic malignancies. Improving patients' lives is our mission and we will never stop working to bring transformative therapies to those in need. Atara is headquartered in Southern California. For additional information about the company, please visit [atarabio.com](https://www.atarabio.com) and follow us on [Twitter](#) and [LinkedIn](#).

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