# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## FORM S-3

REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

## Akers Biosciences, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

201 Grove Road

New Jersey (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 22-2983783 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

Thorofare, NJ 08086
(856) 848-8698
(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant's principal executive offices)

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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.

If the only securities being registered on this Form are being offered pursuant to dividend or interest reinvestment plans, please check the following box: [ ]

If any of the securities being registered on this Form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, other than securities offered only in connection with dividend or interest reinvestment plans, check the following box: [X]

If this Form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, please check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. [ ]

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Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company" and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer	[]	Accelerated filer	[]
Non-accelerated filer	[X]	Smaller reporting company	[X]
		Emerging growth company	[]

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided to Section 7(a)(2)(B) of the Securities Act. [ ]

Title of Each Class of Securities to be Registered

Amount to be Registered (1) (2) Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price per Share (3) Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price (3)

Amount of Registration Fee (4)

Common Stock, no par value

(1)

- Pursuant to Rule 416 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), the shares of common stock offered by this registration statement shall be deemed to cover such additional securities as may be issued as a result of share splits, share dividends or similar transactions
- (2) Comprised of 500,000 shares of common stock issued pursuant to a certain Settlement Agreement and General Release (the "SAGR") by and between ChubeWorkx Guernsey Limited ("ChubeWorkx") and Akers Biosciences, Inc. (the "Company"), dated as of August 3, 2020.
- (3) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee pursuant to Rule 457(c) under the Securities Act and based upon the average of the high and low sale prices of our shares of common stock on the Nasdaq Capital Market on August 13, 2020.
- (4) Calculated in accordance with Rule 457(c) under the Securities Act.

The Registrant hereby amends this Registration Statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the Registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this Registration Statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 or until this Registration Statement shall become effective on such date as the Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.

The information in this prospectus is not complete and may be changed. The selling stockholder named in this prospectus may not sell these securities until the Registration Statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, of which this prospectus is a part, is effective. This prospectus is not an offer to sell these securities and the selling stockholder named in this prospectus is not soliciting an offer to buy these securities in any state where the offer or sale is not permitted.

## **SUBJECT TO COMPLETION, DATED AUGUST 18, 2020**

### **Prospectus**



#### 500,000 Shares

#### COMMON STOCK

The selling stockholder named in this prospectus may use this prospectus to offer and resell from time to time up to 500,000 shares of our common stock (the "Shares") issued pursuant to a certain Settlement Agreement and General Release (the "SAGR") by and between ChubeWorkx Guernsey Limited ("ChubeWorkx") and Akers Biosciences, Inc. (the "Company"), dated as of August 3, 2020.

The Shares were issued to the selling stockholder pursuant to the SAGR in reliance upon the exemption from the registration requirements in Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") and Regulation D (Rule 506) promulgated under the Securities Act. The selling stockholder represented that it was an "accredited investor" (as defined by Rule 501 under the Securities Act). We are registering the offer and resale of the Shares to satisfy a provision in a Leak-Out and Support Agreement by and between the selling stockholder and the Company, dated as of August 3, 2020 (the "Support Agreement"), pursuant to which we agreed to register the resale of the Shares.

We will not receive any of the proceeds from the sale of our common stock by the selling stockholder.

Any shares of common stock subject to resale hereunder will have been issued by us and acquired by the selling stockholder prior to any resale of such shares pursuant to this prospectus.

The selling stockholder named in this prospectus, or its donees, pledgees, transferees or other successors-in-interest, may offer or resell the shares from time to time through public or private transactions at prevailing market prices, at prices related to prevailing market prices or at privately negotiated prices. The selling stockholder will bear all commissions and discounts, if any, attributable to the sale of shares, and all selling and other expenses incurred by the selling stockholder. We will bear all costs, expenses and fees in connection with the registration of the shares. For additional information on the methods of sale that may be used by the selling stockholder, see "Plan of Distribution" beginning on page 6 of this prospectus.

Our common stock is listed on the Nasdaq Capital Market ("NASDAQ") under the symbol "AKER." On August 17, 2020, the last reported sale price of our common stock as reported on NASDAQ was \$6.33 per share.

Investing in our securities involves a high degree of risk. These risks are discussed in this prospectus under "Risk Factors" beginning on page 4 and in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K, which is incorporated by reference in this prospectus, as well as in any other recently filed quarterly or current reports and, if any, in any applicable prospectus supplement.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") 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

, 2020

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#### ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS

This prospectus is part of a registration statement on Form S-3 that we filed with the SEC using a "shelf" registration process. The selling stockholder named in this prospectus may resell, from time to time, in one or more offerings, the common stock offered by this prospectus. Information about the selling stockholder may change over time. When the selling stockholder sells shares of common stock under this prospectus, we will, if necessary and required by law, provide a prospectus supplement that will contain specific information about the terms of that offering. Any prospectus supplement may also add to, update, modify or replace information contained in this prospectus. If a prospectus supplement is provided and the description of the offering in the prospectus supplement varies from the information in this prospectus, you should rely on the information in the prospectus supplement. You should carefully read this prospectus and the accompanying prospectus supplement, if any, along with all of the information incorporated by reference herein and therein, before making an investment decision.

You should rely only on the information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus or any applicable prospectus supplement. We have not, and the selling stockholder has not, authorized any other person to provide you with different or additional information. If anyone provides you with different or additional information, you should not rely on it. This prospectus is not an offer to sell, nor is the selling stockholder seeking an offer to buy, the shares offered by this prospectus in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted. No offers or sales of any of the shares of common stock are to be made in any jurisdiction in which such an offer or sale is not permitted. You should assume that the information contained in this prospectus or in any applicable prospectus supplement is accurate only as of the date on the front cover thereof or the date of the document incorporated by reference, regardless of the time of delivery of this prospectus or any applicable prospectus supplement or any sales of the shares of common stock offered hereby or thereby.

You should read the entire prospectus and any prospectus supplement and any related issuer free writing prospectus, as well as the documents incorporated by reference into this prospectus or any prospectus supplement or any related issuer free writing prospectus, before making an investment decision. Neither the delivery of this prospectus or any prospectus supplement or any issuer free writing prospectus nor any sale made hereunder shall under any circumstances imply that the information contained or incorporated by reference herein or in any prospectus supplement or issuer free writing prospectus is correct as of any date subsequent to the date hereof or of such prospectus supplement or issuer free writing prospectus, as applicable. You should assume that the information appearing in this prospectus, any prospectus supplement or any document incorporated by reference is accurate only as of the date of the applicable documents, regardless of the time of delivery of this prospectus or any sale of securities. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects may have changed since that date.

#### CAUTIONARY NOTE ON FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus and the documents incorporated by reference herein contain forward looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. All statements other than statements of historical fact contained in this prospectus and the documents incorporated by reference herein, including statements regarding future events, our future financial performance, business strategy, and plans and objectives of management for future operations, are forward-looking statements. When we use the words "anticipate," "believe," "could," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "may," "plan," "predict," "project," "will" and other similar terms and phrases, including references to assumptions, we are identifying forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties which may cause our actual results, performance or achievements to be materially different from those expressed or implied by forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are based on information we have when those statements are made or our management's good faith belief as of that time with respect to future events, and are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual performance or results to differ materially from those expressed in or suggested by the forward-looking statements. Important factors that could cause such differences include, but are not limited to:

- our ability to achieve the expected benefits and costs of the transactions related to the acquisition of Cystron, including:
  - the timing of, and our ability to, obtain and maintain regulatory approvals for clinical trials of our our COVID-19 vaccine or combination product candidate (the "COVID-19 Vaccine Candidate");
  - o the timing and results of our planned clinical trials for our COVID-19 Vaccine Candidate;
  - o the amount of funds we require for our COVID-19 Vaccine Candidate; and
  - our ability to maintain our existing license with Premas Biotech PVT Ltd. ("Premas").
- our ability to develop a COVID-19 Vaccine Candidate in a timely manner;
- our ability to effectively execute and deliver our plans related to commercialization, marketing and manufacturing capabilities and strategy;
- emerging competition and rapidly advancing technology in our industry;
- our ability to obtain adequate financing in the future on reasonable terms, as and when we need it;
- challenges we may face in identifying, acquiring and operating new business opportunities;
- · our ability to retain and attract senior management and other key employees;
- our ability to quickly and effectively respond to new technological developments;
- the outcome of litigation or other proceedings to which we are subject as described in the "Legal Proceedings" sections of our annual report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on March 24, 2020 and our subsequent filings with the SEC that are incorporated by reference to this prospectus supplement or which we may become subject to in the future:
- changes in political, economic or regulatory conditions generally and in the markets in which we operate;
- delisting of our common stock from the NASDAQ capital market;
- our ability to protect our trade secrets or other proprietary rights, operate without infringing upon the proprietary rights of others and prevent others from infringing on our proprietary rights;
- our compliance with all laws, rules, and regulations applicable to our business and COVID-19 Vaccine Candidate; and
- the impact of the recent COVID-19 outbreak on our results of operations, business plan and the global economy.

The foregoing does not represent an exhaustive list of risks that may impact upon the forward-looking statements used herein or in the documents incorporated by reference herein. For a more detailed discussion of such risks and other important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those in such forward-looking statements and forward-looking information, please see "Risk Factors" on page 4 of this prospectus as well as the risk factors included in the documents incorporated herein by reference. Although we have attempted to identify important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those described in forward-looking statements and forward-looking information, there may be other factors that cause results not to be as anticipated, estimated or intended. There can be no assurance that these statements will prove to be accurate as actual results and future events could differ materially from those anticipated in the statements. Except as required by law, we assume no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statements and forward-looking information, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. We qualify all forward-looking statements by these cautionary statements. For all forward-looking statements, we claim the protection of the safe harbor for forward-looking statements contained in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995.

#### PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

This summary highlights selected information contained elsewhere or incorporated by reference in this prospectus. This summary does not contain all the information that you should consider before investing in our Company. You should carefully read the entire prospectus, including all documents incorporated by reference herein. In particular, attention should be directed to our "Risk Factors," "Business," "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and the financial statements and related notes thereto contained herein or otherwise incorporated by reference hereto, before making an investment decision.

As used herein, and any amendment or supplement hereto, unless otherwise indicated, "we," "us," "our," the "Company," "Akers" or similar terminology means Akers Biosciences, Inc.

#### Overview

We were historically a developer of rapid health information technologies but since March 2020, have been primarily focused on the development of a vaccine candidate against SARS-CoV-2, a coronavirus currently causing a pandemic throughout the world. In response to the global pandemic, we are pursuing rapid development and manufacturing of our COVID-19 Vaccine Candidate, in collaboration with Premas. With Premas, we are currently conducting animal studies for our COVID-19 Vaccine Candidate in India with different dose amounts, including amounts that would be applicable to humans. We and Premas are currently engaged in communications with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration ("FDA") and the office of the drug controller in India.

#### Coronavirus and COVID-19 Pandemic

In December 2019, SARS-CoV-2 was reported to have surfaced in Wuhan, China, and on March 12, 2020, the World Health Organization ("WHO") declared the global outbreak of COVID-19, the disease caused by SARS-CoV-2, to be a pandemic. In an effort to contain and mitigate the spread of COVID-19, many countries, including the United States, Canada, China, and India, have imposed unprecedented restrictions on travel, quarantines, and other public health safety measures. According to the WHO situation report, dated as of August 6, 2020, approximately 18 million cases were reported globally and 700,000 of these were deadly, making the development of effective vaccines to prevent this disease a major global priority. Although multiple vaccine candidates against SARS-CoV-2 are under development, there is currently no known or approved vaccine or specific antiviral treatment, with the primary treatment being symptomatic and supportive therapies.

## Discontinuation of Screening and Testing Products

As previously disclosed, in light of the unfavorable factors persistent in our rapid, point-of-care screening and testing product business and the progress we have made in our partnership with Premas, we conducted a strategic review of the screening and testing products business. Following such review, in early July 2020, we ceased the production and sale of our rapid, point-of-care screening and testing products. We will continue to provide support for these testing products that remain in the market through their respective product expiration dates. We had been experiencing declining sales revenue and production backlogs for these products and, as we previously reported, had eliminated our sales force for such products. We intend to devote our attention to our partnership with Premas for the development of our COVID-19 Vaccine Candidate and will continue to explore strategic alternatives that we believe will increase shareholder value. In connection with the discontinuation of our existing product line, on July 16, 2020, we decided to close our facility in West Deptford, New Jersey and exercised the early termination option under the lease agreement, which provided for a 150-day notice to terminate the lease. Pursuant to the early termination option, the lease for the Thorofare Facility will mature on December 13, 2020.

#### Exploration of Strategic Alternatives

In addition, our board of directors continues to evaluate strategic alternatives to maximize shareholder value. This process will consider a range of potential strategic alternatives including, but not limited to, business combinations. We do not plan to disclose or comment on developments regarding the strategic review process until it is complete or further disclosure is deemed appropriate. There can be no assurance that the exploration of strategic alternatives will result in any transaction or other alternative

#### ChubeWorkx Settlement Agreement and General Release

On August 3, 2020, we entered into the SAGR with ChubeWorkx Guernsey Limited ("ChubeWorkx"). We and ChubeWorkx entered into the SAGR to terminate a prior Settlement Agreement, dated August 17, 2016, by and among us and ChubeWorkx (the "Prior Settlement Agreement" and, collectively with all other contracts, agreements and understandings by and between us and ChubeWorkx, whether written or oral, the "Prior Agreements"), pursuant to which we granted ChubeWorkx a security interest in substantially all of our assets, and to fully and finally settle and compromise any and all current and future claims and liabilities of any nature arising between us and ChubeWorkx in relation to, or otherwise connected with, the Prior Agreements, on the terms set forth in the SAGR.

As consideration for the settlement of claims pursuant to the SAGR, we agreed to (i) pay to ChubeWorkx an amount equal to \$300,000 and (ii) deliver to ChubeWorkx 500,000 shares of our common stock. We granted ChubeWorkx registration rights with respect to such shares. In the event that we fail to file a resale registration statement covering the such shares by August 18, 2020 (the "Filing Deadline"), or fail to cause such registration statement to be declared effective by the earlier of October 2, 2020 or 45 days after the filing of such registration statement (the "Effectiveness Deadline"), then, on each of the Filing Deadline and the Effectiveness Deadline, as the case may be, and on each monthly anniversary thereof (if the such registration statement shall not have been filed or declared effective by such date, as the case may be) until such registration statement is filed or declared effective, we shall pay to ChubeWorkx an amount in cash, as partial liquidated damages equal to 1.0% of the market value of 500,000 shares of our common stock issued to ChubeWorkx pursuant to the SAGR.

As of the earlier to occur, following and subject to delivery and complete full effective legal transfer to ChubeWorkx of the shares of our common stock and delivery of the cash payment to ChubeWorkx in full in accordance with the provisions of the SAGR, of (i) the date that the resale registration statement covering the such shares is declared effective by the SEC and (ii) the date that all of such shares may be resold by ChubeWorkx under Rule 144 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, without restriction (the "Release Date"), any and all claims, differences, and disputes of any current and/or future claims and/or liabilities arising between us and ChubeWorkx in relation to, or otherwise connected with, the Prior Agreements shall be deemed fully and finally settled and compromised (with the exception of any claims arising under the SAGR or the Support Agreement described below). As of the Release Date, each of the Prior Agreements will be terminated, and ChubeWorkx will automatically and irrevocably release all security interests and liens created under the Security Agreement or otherwise as security for our obligations under the Prior Agreements.

#### ChubeWorkx Leak-Out and Support Agreement

On August 3, 2020, as an inducement to enter into the SAGR, and as one of the conditions to the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the SAGR, ChubeWorkx entered into the Support Agreement with us, pursuant to which ChubeWorkx agreed to (i) vote its shares of common stock issued pursuant to the SAGR in favor of each matter proposed and recommended for approval by the board of directors or management at every meeting of the stockholders and on any action or approval by written consent of the stockholders and (ii) limit sales of the Shares per day to no more than 10% of our daily traded volume per day on the Nasdaq Capital Market ("NASDAQ"), and we agreed to register the resale of the Shares pursuant to the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part.

### **Corporate Information**

We were incorporated in 1989 in the state of New Jersey. Our principal executive offices are located at 201 Grove Road, Thorofare, New Jersey USA 08086 and our telephone number is (856) 848-8698. Our corporate website address is *www.akersbio.com*. The information contained on or accessible through our website is not a part of this prospectus, and the inclusion of our website address in this prospectus is an inactive textual reference only.

Securities offered by the selling stockholder

Up to
Selling stockholder

All of

Use of proceeds

Registration Rights

Plan of Distribution

Risk factors

NASDAQ trading symbol for common stock

#### THE OFFERING

Up to 500,000 shares of our common stock, issued pursuant to the SAGR.

All of the shares of common stock are being offered by the selling stockholder named herein. See "Selling Stockholder" on page 4 of this prospectus for more information on the selling stockholder.

We will not receive any proceeds from the sale of the shares in this offering. See "Use of Proceeds" beginning on page 4 of this prospectus for additional information.

Under the terms of the Support Agreement, we have agreed to file the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part with respect to the registration of the resale by the selling stockholder of the Shares. In the event that we fail to file a resale registration statement covering the Shares by the Filing Deadline, or fail to cause such registration statement to be declared effective by the Effectiveness Deadline, then, on each of the Filing Deadline and the Effectiveness Deadline, as the case may be, and on each monthly anniversary thereof (if such registration statement shall not have been filed or declared effective by such date, as the case may be) until such registration statement is filed or declared effective, we have agreed to pay to ChubeWorkx an amount in cash, as partial liquidated damages, equal to 1.0% of the market value of the Shares.

See "Selling Stockholder" on page 4 of this prospectus for additional information.

The selling stockholder named in this prospectus, or its pledgees, donees, transferees, distributees, beneficiaries or other successors-in-interest, may offer or sell the shares from time to time through public or private transactions at prevailing market prices, at prices related to prevailing market prices or at privately negotiated prices. The selling stockholder may also resell the shares of common stock to or through underwriters, broker-dealers or agents, who may receive compensation in the form of discounts, concessions or commissions. See "Plan of Distribution" beginning on page 6 of this prospectus for additional information on the methods of sale that may be used by the selling stockholder.

Investing in our common stock involves a high degree of risk. You should carefully read and consider the information beginning on page 4 of this prospectus set forth under the heading "Risk Factors" and all other information set forth in this prospectus, and the documents incorporated herein and therein by reference before deciding to invest in our common stock.

"AKER"

#### RISK FACTORS

An investment in our securities involves a high degree of risk. Before deciding whether to invest in our securities, you should consider carefully the specific factors discussed under the heading "Risk Factors" in any applicable prospectus supplement, together with all of the other information contained or incorporated by reference in any such prospectus supplement or appearing or incorporated by reference in this prospectus. You should also consider the risks, uncertainties and assumptions discussed under Item 1A, "Risk Factors," in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019 and our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2020, which are incorporated herein by reference, as updated or superseded by the risks and uncertainties described under similar headings in the other documents that are filed after the date hereof and incorporated by reference into this prospectus and any prospectus supplement related to a particular offering. The risks and uncertainties we have described are not the only ones we face. Additional risks and uncertainties not presently known to us or that we currently deem immaterial may also affect our operations have described are not the only ones we face. Additional risks and uncertainties not presently known to us or that we currently deem immaterial may also affect our operations financial performance may not be a reliable indicator of future performance, and historical trends should not be used to anticipate results or trends in future periods. If any of these risks actually occurs, our business, business prospects, financial condition or results of operations could be seriously harmed. This could cause the trading price of our common stock to decline, resulting in a loss of all or part of your investment. Please also read carefully the section above entitled "Cautionary Note on Forward-Looking Statements."

#### USE OF PROCEEDS

We will not receive any proceeds from the sale of shares of our common stock by the selling stockholder.

#### SELLING STOCKHOLDER

Up to 500,000 shares of our common stock are currently being offered by the selling stockholder.

#### ChubeWorkx

#### SAGR

On August 3, 2020, we entered into the SAGR with ChubeWorkx to terminate the Prior Settlement Agreement, pursuant to which we granted ChubeWorkx a security interest in substantially all of our assets, and to fully and finally settle and compromise any and all current and future claims and liabilities of any nature arising between the Company and ChubeWorkx in relation to, or otherwise connected with, the Prior Agreements, on the terms set forth in the SAGR.

As consideration for the settlement of claims pursuant to the SAGR, we agreed to (i) pay to ChubeWorkx an amount equal to \$300,000 and (ii) deliver to ChubeWorkx the Shares. The Shares were issued to ChubeWorkx in reliance upon the exemption from the registration requirements in Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act and Regulation D (Rule 506) promulgated under the Securities Act.

#### Support Agreement

On August 3, 2020, as an inducement to enter into the SAGR, and as one of the conditions to the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the SAGR, ChubeWorkx entered into the Support Agreement, pursuant to which ChubeWorkx agreed to vote the Shares in favor of each matter proposed and recommended for approval by the Company's board of directors or management at every meeting of the stockholders and on any action or approval by written consent of the stockholders. In addition, pursuant to the Support Agreement, ChubeWorkx agreed not to sell more than that number of the Shares equal to 10% of the daily trading volume for our common stock on NASDAQ on that day without our prior written consent.

Under the terms of the Support Agreement, we have agreed to file the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part with respect to the registration of the resale by the selling stockholder of the Shares. In the event that we fail to file a resale registration statement covering the Shares by the Filing Deadline, or fail to cause such registration statement to be declared effective by the Effectiveness Deadline, then, on each of the Filing Deadline and the Effectiveness Deadline, as the case may be, and on each monthly anniversary thereof (if such registration statement shall not have been filed or declared effective by such date, as the case may be) until such registration statement is filed or declared effective, we have agreed to pay to ChubeWorkx an amount in cash, as partial liquidated damages, equal to 1.0% of the market value of the Shares.

#### Relationship with the Selling Stockholder

The selling stockholder has not had any material relationship with us within the past three years other than as described above.

## Information About Selling Stockholder Offering

The following table sets forth the number and percentage of our common stock beneficially owned by the selling stockholder as of August 17, 2020, taking into account the number of shares that may be offered under this prospectus and the number and percentage of our common stock beneficially owned by the selling stockholder assuming all of the shares covered hereby are sold. Beneficial ownership is determined in accordance with the rules of the SEC and includes voting or investment power with respect to our common stock. Generally, a person "beneficially owns" shares of our common stock if the person has or shares with others the right to vote those shares or to dispose of them, or if the person has the right to acquire voting or disposition rights within 60 days.

The information in the table below and the footnotes thereto regarding shares of common stock to be beneficially owned after the offering assumes the sale of all shares being offered by the selling stockholder under this prospectus.

The percentage of shares owned prior to and after the offering is based on 8,724,283 shares of common stock outstanding as of August 17, 2020. Unless otherwise indicated in the footnotes to this table, we believe that the selling stockholder has sole voting and investment power with respect to the shares of common stock indicated as beneficially owned.

As used in this prospectus, the term "selling stockholder" includes the selling stockholder set forth below and any donees, pledgees, transferees or other successors-in-interest selling shares of common stock received after the date of this prospectus from the selling stockholder as a gift, pledge, or other non-sale related transfer.

The number of shares in the column "Number of Shares Offered" represents all of the shares of common stock that a selling stockholder may offer under this prospectus. The third and fourth column assumes the sale of all of the shares offered by the selling stockholder pursuant to this prospectus and that the selling stockholder does not acquire any additional shares of common stock before the completion of this offering. However, because the selling stockholder may sell all or some of its shares under this prospectus from time to time, or in another permitted manner, we cannot assure you as to the actual number of shares that will be sold by the selling stockholder or that will be held by the selling stockholder after completion of any sales. The selling stockholder may sell some, all or none of its shares in this offering. We do not know how long the selling stockholder will hold the shares before selling them, and we currently have no agreements, arrangements or understandings with the selling stockholder regarding the sale of any of the shares except as set forth herein.

	Ownership B	Ownership Before Offering		Ownership After Offering	
	Number of shares		Number of shares	Percentage of	
	of common stock	Number of shares	of common stock	common stock	
Selling Stockholder	beneficially owned	offered	beneficially owned	beneficially owned	
ChubeWorkx Guernsey Limited(1)	500,000	500,000			

<sup>\*</sup> Less than 1%

#### PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

We are registering the shares of common stock to permit their resale by the selling stockholder from time to time after the date of this prospectus. We will not receive any of the proceeds from the sale by the selling stockholder of the shares of common stock. We will bear all fees and expenses incident to our obligation to register the shares of common stock.

The selling stockholder may sell all or a portion of the shares of common stock beneficially owned by it and offered hereby from time to time directly or through one or more underwriters, broker-dealers or agents. If the shares of common stock are sold through underwriters or broker-dealers, the selling stockholder will be responsible for underwriting discounts or commissions or agent's commissions. The shares of common stock may be sold in one or more transactions at fixed prices, at prevailing market prices at the time of the sale, at varying prices determined at the time of sale, or at negotiated prices. These sales may be effected in transactions, which may involve crosses or block transactions,

- on any national securities exchange or quotation service on which the securities may be listed or quoted at the time of sale;
- in the over-the-counter market;
- in transactions otherwise than on these exchanges or systems or in the over-the-counter market;
- through the writing of options, whether such options are listed on an options exchange or otherwise;
- 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:
- sales pursuant to Rule 144;
- broker-dealers may agree with the selling security holders 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 pursuant to applicable law.

<sup>(1)</sup> The sole director of Chubeworkx is Oak Directors Limited. The directors of Oak Directors Limited are Mark Courtney Chasey, Mark Anthony Fouracre, Andrew Harvey Fox, Graham Lamont McCormack, Tony Rigden, Paul Matthew Schreibke, Lucy Smith, David Michael Willis and Joe David Colton Woodward, each of whom has voting and dispositive power over the shares held by ChubeWorkx.

If the selling stockholder effects such transactions by selling shares of common stock to or through underwriters, broker-dealers or agents, such underwriters, broker-dealers or agents may receive commissions in the form of discounts, concessions or commissions from the selling stockholder or commissions from purchasers of the shares of common stock for whom they may act as agent or to whom they may sell as principal (which discounts, concessions or commissions as to particular underwriters, broker-dealers or agents may be in excess of those customary in the types of transactions involved). In connection with sales of the shares of common stock or otherwise, the selling stockholder may enter into hedging transactions with broker-dealers, which may in turn engage in short sales of the shares of common stock in the course of hedging in positions they assume. The selling stockholder may also sell shares common stock short and deliver shares of common stock to broker-dealers that in turn may sell such shares.

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

The selling stockholder and any broker-dealer participating in the distribution of the shares of common stock may be deemed to be "underwriters" within the meaning of the Securities Act, and any commission paid, or any discounts or concessions allowed to, any such broker-dealer may be deemed to be underwriting commissions or discounts under the Securities Act. At the time a particular offering of the shares of common stock is made, a prospectus supplement, if required, will be distributed which will set forth the aggregate amount of shares of common stock being offered and the terms of the offering, including the name or names of any broker-dealers or agents, any discounts, commissions and other terms constituting compensation from the selling stockholder and any discounts, commissions or concessions allowed or reallowed or paid to broker-dealers.

Under the securities laws of some states, the shares of common stock may be sold in such states only through registered or licensed brokers or dealers. In addition, in some states the shares of common stock may not be sold unless such shares have been registered or qualified for sale in such state or an exemption from registration or qualification is available and is complied with.

There can be no assurance that any selling stockholder will sell any or all of the shares of common stock registered pursuant to the shelf registration statement, of which this prospectus forms a part.

The selling stockholder and any other person participating in such distribution will be subject to applicable provisions of the Exchange Act, and the rules and regulations thereunder, including, without limitation, Regulation M of the Exchange Act, which may limit the timing of purchases and sales of any of the shares of common stock by the selling stockholder and any other participating person. Regulation M may also restrict the ability of any person engaged in the distribution of the shares of common stock to engage in market-making activities with respect to the shares of common stock. All of the foregoing may affect the marketability of the shares of common stock and the ability of any person or entity to engage in market-making activities with respect to the shares of common stock.

We will pay all expenses of the registration of the shares of common stock pursuant to the SAGR and the Support Agreement, estimated to be \$17,860 in total, including, without limitation, SEC filing fees and expenses of compliance with state securities or "blue sky" laws; provided, however, that the selling stockholder will pay all underwriting discounts and selling commissions, if any.

Once sold under the shelf registration statement, of which this prospectus forms a part, the shares of common stock will be freely tradable in the hands of persons other than our affiliates.

#### LEGAL MATTERS

The validity of the securities offered by this prospectus will be passed upon for us by Haynes and Boone, LLP, New York, New York.

## **EXPERTS**

Morison Cogen LLP, independent registered public accounting firm, has audited our consolidated financial statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2019, as filed on March 24, 2020, as set forth in their report which is incorporated by reference in this prospectus and elsewhere in the registration statement. Our consolidated financial statements are incorporated by reference in reliance on Morison Cogen LLP's report, given on their authority as experts in accounting and auditing.

#### WHERE YOU CAN FIND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

We are subject to the informational requirements of the Exchange Act, and in accordance therewith file annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. 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 www.sec.gov.

We make available free of charge on or through our website at www.akersbio.com, 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, as soon as reasonably practicable after we electronically file such material with or otherwise furnish it to the SEC.

We have filed with the SEC a registration statement under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, relating to the offering of these securities. The registration statement, including the attached exhibits, contains additional relevant information about us and the securities. This prospectus does not contain all of the information set forth in the registration statement. You can obtain a copy of the registration statement for free at www.sec.gov. The registration statement and the documents referred to below under "Incorporation of Documents By Reference" are also available on our website, www.akersbio.com.

We have not incorporated by reference into this prospectus the information on our website, and you should not consider it to be a part of this prospectus.

## INCORPORATION OF DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE

We are "incorporating by reference" in this prospectus certain documents we file with the SEC, which means that we can disclose important information to you by referring you to those documents. The information in the documents incorporated by reference is considered to be part of this prospectus. Statements contained in documents that we file with the SEC and that are incorporated by reference in this prospectus will automatically update and supersede information contained in this prospectus, including information in previously filed documents or reports that have been incorporated by reference in this prospectus, to the extent the new information differs from or is inconsistent with the old information. We have filed or may file the following documents with the SEC and they are incorporated herein by reference as of their respective dates of filing.

- 1. Our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2019, filed with the SEC on March 24, 2020;
- Our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2020, filed with the SEC on May 15, 2020, and our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2020, filed with the SEC on August 14, 2020;
- Our Current Reports on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on <u>January 6, 2020, January 31, 2020, March 24, 2020, April 7, 2020, April 8, 2020, April 14, 2020, April 17, 2020, May 14, 2020, May 15, 2020, May 18, 2020, May 19, 2020, July 8, 2020, July 13, 2020, July 22, 2020, July 27, 2020 and <u>August 7, 2020</u> (other than any portions thereof deemed furnished and not filed); and
  </u>
- 4. The description of our common stock contained in our Registration Statement on Form 8-A, filed on January 17, 2014 pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act, which incorporates by reference the description of the shares of our common stock contained in the section entitled "Description of Securities" in our Registration Statement on Form S-1 (File No. 333-190456), as initially filed with the SEC on August 7, 2013, as amended, as amended and supplemented by the description of our common stock contained in Exhibit 4.12 to our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2019, filed with the SEC on March 24, 2020, and any amendment or report filed with the SEC for purposes of updating such description.

All documents that we filed with the SEC 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 that indicates that all securities offered under this prospectus have been sold, or that deregisters all securities then remaining unsold, will be deemed to be incorporated in this registration statement by reference and to be a part hereof from the date of filing of such documents.

Any statement contained in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference in this prospectus shall be deemed modified, superseded or replaced for purposes of this prospectus to the extent that a statement contained in this prospectus, or in any subsequently filed document that also is deemed to be incorporated by reference in this prospectus, modifies, supersedes or replaces such statement. Any statement so modified, superseded or replaced shall not be deemed, except as so modified, superseded or replaced, to constitute a part of this prospectus. None of the information that we disclose under Items 2.02 or 7.01 of any Current Report on Form 8-K or any corresponding information, either furnished under Item 9.01 or included as an exhibit therein, that we may from time to time furnish to the SEC will be incorporated by reference into, or otherwise included in, this prospectus, except as otherwise expressly set forth in the relevant document. Subject to the foregoing, all information appearing in this prospectus is qualified in its entirety by the information appearing in the documents incorporated by reference.

You may request, orally or in writing, a copy of these documents, which will be provided to you at no cost (other than exhibits, unless such exhibits are specifically incorporate by reference), by contacting Akers Biosciences, Inc., at 201 Grove Road, Thorofare, New Jersey 08086. Our telephone number is (856) 848-8698. Information about us is also available at our website at <a href="http://www.akersbio.com">http://www.akersbio.com</a>. However, the information in our website is not a part of this prospectus and is not incorporated by reference.



500,000 Shares

COMMON STOCK

PROSPECTUS

#### PART II

## INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

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

The Company is paying all expenses of the offering. The following table sets forth all expenses to be paid by the registrant. All amounts shown are estimates except for the registration fee.

SEC registration fee	\$ 360
Legal fees and expenses	\$ 15,000
Accounting fees and expenses	\$ 2,500
Printing Fees and Expenses	\$ _
Transfer Agent Fees and Expenses	\$ _
Miscellaneous	\$ _
Total	\$ 17,860

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

Section 14A:2-7(3) of the New Jersey Business Corporation Act permits a corporation to provide in its certificate of incorporation that a director or officer shall not be personally liable, or shall be liable only to the extent therein provided, to the corporation or its shareholders for damages for breach of any duty owed to the corporation or its shareholders, except that such provision shall not relieve a director or officer from liability for any breach of duty based upon an act or omission (a) in breach of such person's duty of loyalty to the corporation or its shareholders, (b) not in good faith or involving a knowing violation of law or (c) resulting in receipt by such person of an improper personal benefit. Akers Biosciences, Inc.'s certificate of incorporation provides for such limitation of liability.

Section 14A:3-5 of the New Jersey Business Corporation Act empowers a corporation to indemnify any current or former director or officer made a party to a proceeding because he or she is or was a director or officer against liability incurred in the proceeding; provided that such director or officer acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation and, with respect to any criminal proceeding, such director or officer had no reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful.

Akers Biosciences, Inc.'s certificate of incorporation provides that the corporation must indemnify its directors and officers to the fullest extent authorized by law. Akers Biosciences, Inc. is also expressly required to advance certain expenses to its directors and officers. Akers Biosciences, Inc. believes that these indemnification provisions are useful to attract and retain qualified directors and executive officers.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers or persons controlling us pursuant to the foregoing provisions, we have been informed that, in the opinion of the SEC, this indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is therefore unenforceable.

### Item 16. Exhibits.

The following exhibits are filed with this Registration Statement.

The agreements included or incorporated by reference as exhibits to this registration statement contain representations and warranties by each of the parties to the applicable agreement. These representations and warranties were made solely for the benefit of the other parties to the applicable agreement and (i) were not intended to be treated as categorical statements of fact, but rather as a way of allocating the risk to one of the parties if those statements prove to be inaccurate; (ii) may have been qualified in such agreement by disclosures that were made to the other party in connection with the negotiation of the applicable agreement; (iii) may apply contract standards of "materiality" that are different from "materiality" under the applicable securities laws; and (iv) were made only as of the date of the applicable agreement or such other date or dates as may be specified in the agreement.

The undersigned registrant acknowledges that, notwithstanding the inclusion of the foregoing cautionary statements, it is responsible for considering whether additional specific disclosures of material information regarding material contractual provisions are required to make the statements in this registration statement not misleading.

Exhibit Number	Description of Document
4.1	Form of Underwriters' Warrant (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed with the Securities Exchange Commission on November 18, 2013).
4.2	Form of Warrant (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on January 10, 2017).
4.3	Form of Purchaser Warrant (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 5, 2017).
4.4	Form of Placement Agent Warrant (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 5, 2017).
4.5	Form of Purchaser Warrant (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on October 13, 2017).
4.6	Form of Underwriter's Warrant (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 15, 2017).
4.7	Form of Common Stock Purchase Warrant (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.7 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 15, 2017).
4.8	Form of Warrant (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on October 31, 2018).
4.9	Form of Series C Convertible Preferred Stock Warrant Certificate (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.9 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1/A filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 29, 2019).
4.10	Form of Pre-Funded Warrant Certificate (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.10 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1/A filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 29, 2019).
4.11	Form of Placement Agent Warrant Certificate (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.11 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1/A filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 29, 2019).
4.12	Form of Placement Agent Warrant (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 8, 2020).
4.13	Form of Placement Agent Warrant (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 15, 2020).
5.1* 23.1*	Opinion of Haynes and Boone, LLP Consent of Morison Cogen LLP
23.2* 24.1*	Consent of Haynes and Boone, LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1)  Power of Attorney (included in Part II of this Registration Statement)

## Filed herewith.

## 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 the 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 the 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 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 the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement;
- provided, however, that paragraphs (1)(i), (1)(ii) and (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 Commission by the registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that are incorporated by reference in the registration statement, or is contained in a form of prospectus filed pursuant to Rule 424(b) that is part of the 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) If the registrant is relying on Rule 430B (§230.430B of this chapter):
  - (A) Each prospectus filed by the registrant pursuant to Rule 424(b)(3) shall be deemed to be part of the registration statement as of the date the filed prospectus was deemed part of and included in the registration statement; and
  - (B) 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 the 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 the registration statement relating to the securities in the 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 part of the registration statement or made in a document incorporated or deemed incorporated by reference into the registration statement or prospectus that is part of the registration statement will, as to a purchaser with a time of contract of sale prior to such effective date, supersede or modify any statement that was made in the registration statement or prospectus that was part of the registration statement or made in any such document immediately prior to such effective date.

- (ii) If the registrant is subject to Rule 430C, each prospectus filed pursuant to Rule 424(b) as part of a registration statement relating to an offering, other than registration statements relying on Rule 430B or other than prospectuses filed in reliance on Rule 430A, shall be deemed to be part of and included in the registration statement as of the date it is first used after effectiveness. Provided, however, that no statement made in a registration statement or prospectus that is part of the registration statement or made in a document incorporated or deemed incorporated by reference into the registration statement or prospectus that is part of the registration statement will, as to a purchaser with a time of contract of sale prior to such first use, supersede or modify any statement that was made in the registration statement or prospectus that was part of the registration statement or made in any such document immediately prior to such date of first use.
- (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 the 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:
  - (i) Any preliminary prospectus or prospectus of the undersigned registrant relating to the offering required to be filed pursuant to Rule 424;
- (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 of the registrant under the Securities Act of 1933, each filing of the registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (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 the 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 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.

#### SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the 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 Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the State of New Jersey, on this August 18, 2020.

## AKERS BIOSCIENCES, INC.

By: /s/ Christopher C. Schreiber

Christopher C. Schreiber
President, Executive Chairman of the Board and Director
(Principal Executive Officer)

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS that each individual whose signature appears below hereby constitutes and appoints Christopher C. Schreiber as his or her true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent with full power of substitution, for him or her and in his or her name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments, including post-effective amendments, to this registration statement, and to sign any registration statement for the same offering covered by this registration statement that is to be effective upon filing pursuant to Rule 462(b) promulgated under the Securities Act of 1933 increasing the number of shares for which registration is sought, and all post-effective amendments thereto, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto and all documents in connection therewith, making such changes in this registration statement as such attorney-in-fact and agent so acting deem appropriate, with the SEC, granting unto said attorney-in-fact and agent, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done with respect to the offering of securities contemplated by this registration statement, as fully to all intents and purposes as he or she might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney-in-fact and agent, or his, her or their substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done or by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ Christopher C. Schreiber Christopher C. Schreiber	President, Executive Chairman of the Board and Director (Principal Executive Officer)	August 18, 2020
/s/ Howard R. Yeaton Howard R. Yeaton	Interim Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)	August 18, 2020
/s/ Joshua Silverman Joshua Silverman	Director	August 18, 2020
/s/ Bill J. White Bill J. White	Director	August 18, 2020
/s/ Robert C. Schroeder Robert C. Schroeder	Director	August 18, 2020
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Akers Biosciences, Inc. 201 Grove Road Thorofare, NJ 08086 August 18, 2020

## Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as counsel to Akers Biosciences, Inc., a New Jersey corporation (the "Company"), in connection with the preparation and filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") on the date hereof, under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), of a registration statement on Form S-3 (the "Registration Statement") by the Company which registers the resale by the holder thereof of 500,000 shares of common stock of the Company (the "Common Stock"), no par value per share (the "Shares"), issued pursuant to a certain Settlement Agreement and General Release (the "SAGR") by and between ChubeWorkx Guernsey Limited and the Company, dated as of August 3, 2020.

In rendering the opinion set forth herein, we have examined the originals, or photostatic or certified copies, of (i) the amended and restated certificate of incorporation and bylaws, each as amended and/or restated as of the date hereof ("Company Charter Documents"), (ii) resolutions of the board of directors of the Company authorizing the issuance of the Shares, (iii) the Registration Statement and all exhibits thereto, and (iv) such other records, documents and instruments as we deemed relevant and necessary for purposes of the opinion stated herein.

In making the foregoing examination we have assumed the genuineness of all signatures, the legal capacity of all natural persons, the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as originals, the conformity to original documents of all documents submitted to us as photostatic or certified copies, and the authenticity of the originals of such copies. As to all questions of fact material to this opinion, where such facts have not been independently established, we have relied, to the extent we have deemed reasonably appropriate, upon representations or certificates of officers of the Company or governmental officials.

Based upon the foregoing and subject to the assumptions and qualifications stated herein, we are of the opinion that the Shares are validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable.

We have not considered, and express no opinion herein as to, the laws of any state or jurisdiction other than the New Jersey Business Corporation Act, as currently in effect.

We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion with the Commission as Exhibit 5.1 to the Registration Statement and to the reference to our firm under the heading "Legal Matters" in the prospectus constituting part of such Registration Statement. In giving such consent, we do not hereby admit that we are in 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/ Haynes and Boone, LLP

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## CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We consent to the incorporation by reference in Form S-3 dated August 18, 2020 of Akers Biosciences, Inc. and the related Prospectus included therein, of our report dated March 24, 2020, relating to our audit of the consolidated financial statements appearing in the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2019 of Akers Biosciences, Inc. We also consent to the reference to us under the heading "Experts" in such Registration Statement.

/s/ Morison Cogen LLP

Blue Bell, Pennsylvania August 18, 2020