



# The Sesen Bio Special Meeting to Approve the Merger with Carisma is Fast Approaching

YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT, NO MATTER HOW MANY SHARES YOU OWN

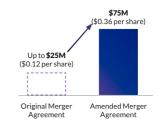
# **Dear Fellow Stockholder,**

We have exciting updates to share regarding our pending merger with Carisma. Over the last several weeks, we have met with many Sesen Bio stockholders to receive direct feedback and share why the merger with Carisma is the most value maximizing path forward. Here are the latest developments:



# Further increased special dividend to \$75 million.

We have increased the expected one-time special cash dividend to \$75 million, \$0.36 per share \$^1\$. Since we first announced the merger in September 2022, we have increased the special cash dividend by \$50 million, from the original dividend amount of up to \$25 million. This is a significant amount of upfront cash that stockholders otherwise would likely not receive outside of a court-managed state dissolution process.





# Support from our largest stockholders.

Several of Sesen Bio's largest stockholders – Bradley L. Radoff, Michael Torok and BML Investment Partners, L.P. – have pledged their support for the merger. These endorsements are an important vote of confidence that the pending merger with Carisma is the most value maximizing option for our stockholders.



#### Positive recommendation from ISS.

Institutional Shareholders Services (ISS), which is widely recognized as a leading independent proxy advisory firm that provides impartial analyses and reports to help investors make informed investment decisions, recommends that you vote "FOR" ALL proposals related to the merger, including the proposed reverse stock split, reflecting its belief that the merger is the best path forward for Sesen Bio.



## **Extended Contingent Value Right.**

The period of time for payments under the Contingent Value Right ("CVR") has been extended from December 31, 2023 to March 31, 2027. We are continuing to explore a potential sale of Vicineum to a partner with larger infrastructure and potential synergies to continue Vicineum's development. We understand the potential challenges in connection with a possible sale of Vicineum given the shifting market dynamics, which is why we have extended the CVR in connection with the Carisma merger to ensure all sale proceeds, if any, go directly to our stockholders.



#### Carisma Board representation.

Michael Torok will join the Carisma Board of Directors upon close of the merger. As the Sesen Bio representative, Mr. Torok will represent your best interests in the combined company, including ensuring your rights under the CVR agreement related to any potential proceeds from a sale of Vicineum. Importantly, Mr. Torok believes in the long-term potential of Carisma's platform and the value creation opportunities ahead.



# **TIME IS SHORT**

Ensure your voice is heard by voting "FOR" all agenda items TODAY.

The Sesen Bio Board of Directors unanimously recommends that stockholders vote **"FOR"** each of the proposals listed on the **WHITE** proxy card enclosed with the previously mailed definitive proxy statement / prospectus. **Stockholders can switch their vote at any time to vote "FOR" the merger.** Only the latest-dated proxy counts. Stockholders are urged to vote their shares today, in advance of the upcoming Special Meeting of Stockholders scheduled for March 2, 2023.

If you have any questions, or need assistance in voting your shares, please call our proxy solicitor, Mackenzie Partners at 1-800-322-2885 (TOLL-FREE) or proxy@mackenziepartners.com.

Thank you for investment and continued support of Sesen Bio.

Sincerely, The Sesen Bio Board of Directors

#### **Cautionary Note on Forward-Looking Statements**

Any statements in this communication about future expectations, plans and prospects for Sesen Bio, Inc. (Sesen Bio), CARISMA Therapeutics Inc. (Carisma) or the combined company, Sesencontaining the words "anticipate," "believe," "contemplate," "expect," "intend," "may," "plan," "predict," "farget," "potential," "possible," "will," "would," "could," "should," "continue," and similar Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. For example, statements concerning the proposed transaction, the concurrent financing, the contingent value rights and other matters, including of the proposed transaction, the expected timing of the consummation of the proposed transaction, the expected ownership percentages of the combined company, Sesen Bio's and Car is ma's respective businesses, the strategy of the combined company, future operations advancement of the combined company's product candidates and product pipeline, clinical product candidates and product pipeline, clinical product productdevelopment of the combined company's product candidates, including expectations regarding timing of initiation and results of clinical trials of the combined company, the ability of Sesen Bio receipt of any payments under the contingent value rights, and the amount and timing of distributions to be made to Sesen Bio stockholders, if any, in connection with any potential materially from those indicated by such forward-looking statements as a result of various important factors, including without limitation: (i) the risk that the conditions to the closing of the proposed transaction are not satisfied, including the failure to obtain stockholder approval of matters related to the proposed transaction in a timely manner or at all; (ii) uncertainties as to the timing of the consummation of the proposed transaction and the ability of each of Sesen Bio and Carisma to consummate the proposed transaction, including completing the concurrent financing; (iii) risks related to Sesen Bio's ability to correctly estimate its expected net cash at closing and Sesen Bio's and Carisma's ability to correctly estimate and manage their respective operating expenses and expenses associated with the proposed transaction; (iv) risks related to Sesen Bio's continued listing on the Nasdaq Stock Market until closing of the proposed transaction; (v) the risk that as a result of adjustments to the exchange ratio, Sesen Bio anticipated; (vi) the risk that the conditions to payment under the contingent value rights will not be met and that the contingent value rights may otherwise never deliver any value to Sesen Bio stockholders; (vii) risks associated with the possible failure to realize certain anticipated benefits of the proposed transaction, including with respect to future financial and operating results; 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(x) the occurrence of any event, change or other circumstance or condition that could give rise to the termination of the merger agreement, as amended; (xi) the effect of the intellectual property rights; (xv) competitive responses to the proposed transaction and changes in expected or existing competition; (xvi) the success and timing of regulatory (xviii) changes to clinical trial designs and regulatory pathways; (xix) changes in capital resource requirements; (xx) risks related to the inability of the combined company to obtain sufficient additional capital to continue to advance its product candidates and its preclinical programs (xxi) legislative, regulatory, political and economic developments; and (xxii) other factors

discussed in the "Risk Factors" section of Sesen Bio's Annual Report on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and other reports filed with the Securities Exchange Commission (SEC) In addition, the forward-looking statements included in this communication represent Sesen Bio's and Carisma's views as of the date hereof. Sesen Bio and Carisma anticipate that subsequent events and developments will cause the respective company's views to change. However, while Sesen Bio may elect to update these forward-looking statements at some point in the future, Sesen Bio specifically disclaims any obligation to do so, except as required under applicable law. These forward-looking statements should not be relied upon as representing Sesen Bio's views as of any date subsequent to the date hereof.

#### Important Additional Information

In connection with the proposed transaction between Carisma and Sesen Bio, Sesen Bio filed with the SEC a registration statement on Form S-4 (as amended, the registration statement) that includes a proxy statement of Sesen Bio and also constitutes a prospectus of Sesen Bio with respect to shares of Sesen Bio common stock to be issued in the proposed transaction (proxy statement/prospectus). The definitive proxy statement/prospectus was first mailed to Sesen Bio stockholders on or about January 24, 2023. Sesen Bio may also file other relevant documents regarding the proposed transaction with the SEC. INVESTORS AND SECURITY HOLDERS ARE URGED TO READ THESE MATERIALS, INCLUDING THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT, THE DEFINITIVE PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS, AND ALL OTHER RELEVANT DOCUMENTS THAT ARE OR WILL BE FILED WITH THE SEC IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROPOSED TRANSACTION. INCLUDING ANY AMENDMENTS OR SUPPLEMENTS TO THESE MATERIALS, BECAUSE THEY CONTAIN OR WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROPOSED TRANSACTION AND THE PARTIES TO THE PROPOSED TRANSACTION. Investors and security holders are able to obtain the definitive proxy statement/prospectus and other documents that are filed or will be filed by Sesen Bio with the SEC free of charge from the SEC's website at www.sec.gov or from Sesen Bio at the SEC Filings section of www.sesenbio.com.

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This communication shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy any securities, nor shall there be any sale of securities in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such jurisdiction. No offering of securities shall be made except by means of a prospectus meeting the requirements of Section 10 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. Subject to certain exceptions to be approved by the relevant regulators or certain facts to be ascertained, a public offer will not be made directly or indirectly, in or into any jurisdiction where to do so would constitute a violation of the laws of such jurisdiction, or by use of the mails or by any means or instrumentality (including without limitation, facsimile transmission, telephone or internet) of interstate or foreign commerce, or any facility of a national securities exchange, of any such jurisdiction.

## Participants in the Solicitation

Sesen Bio and Carisma and their respective directors, executive officers and other members of management may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies in respect of the proposed transaction. Information about Sesen Bio's directors and executive officers is available in Sesen Bio's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021, its definitive proxy statement dated April 28, 2022 for its 2022 Annual Meeting of Stockholders and its Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on August 31, 2022. Other information regarding the participants in the proxy solicitation and a description of their interests in the proposed transaction, by security holdings or otherwise, is included in the definitive proxy statement/prospectus and other relevant materials that are or will be filed with the SEC regarding the proposed transaction. Investors should read the definitive proxy statement/prospectus carefully before making any voting or investment decisions. You may obtain free copies of these documents from Sesen Bio or the SEC's website as indicated above.