# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

	FORM 8-K	
	CURRENT REPORT	
	Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934	4
Date of	f Report (Date of earliest event reported): Mar	ch 1, 2022
	CYTOKINETICS, INCORPORATEI (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charte	
<b>Delaware</b> (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	000-50633 (Commission File Number)	94-3291317 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
	350 Oyster Point Boulevard South San Francisco, California 94080 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Cod	de)
	(650) 624-3000 (Registrant's telephone number, including area cod	de)
(For	<b>Not Applicable</b> mer name or former address, if changed since last	report)
Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K fi following provisions:	iling is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing	g obligation of the registrant under any of the
<ul> <li>□ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425</li> <li>□ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 und</li> <li>□ Pre-commencement communications pursuant</li> <li>□ Pre-commencement communications pursuant</li> </ul>	der the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12) to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFI	
Securities registered pursuant to Section $12(b)$ of the	e Act:	
Title of each class Common Stock, par value \$0.001	Trading Symbol(s)  CYTK	Name of each exchange on which registered The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange A	emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405	•
Emerging growth company $\square$		
If an emerging growth company, indicate by check or revised financial accounting standards provided p		tended transition period for complying with any new

## Item 8.01. Other Events.

On March 1, 2022, the Registrant issued a press release, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit 99.1. Press release dated March 1, 2022

Exhibit 104 Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

#### **SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Cytokinetics, Incorporated

Date: March 1, 2022 By: /s/ Ching Jaw

Ching Jaw

Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer

### Cytokinetics Announces Inducement Grants Under Nasdaq Listing Rule 5635(C)(4)

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., March 01, 2022 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Cytokinetics, Incorporated (Nasdaq: CYTK) today announced that on February 28, 2022 it granted stock options to purchase an aggregate of 86,850 shares of common stock to eight new employees, whose employment commenced in February 2022, as a material inducement to their employment.

The stock options that were granted are subject to an exercise price of \$35.32 per share, which is equal to the closing price of the Company's common stock on February 28, 2022, and will vest over 4 years, with  $1/4^{th}$  of the shares underlying the employee's option vesting on the one-year anniversary of the applicable vesting commencement date and the remaining shares thereafter vesting monthly at a rate of  $1/48^{th}$  of the shares underlying each employee's option over the subsequent 36 months, subject to the new employee's continued service with the Company. Each stock option has a 10-year term and is subject to the terms and conditions of the Company's Amended and Restated 2004 Equity Incentive Plan and the stock option agreement pursuant to which the option was granted.

The options were granted as material inducements to employment in accordance with Nasdaq Listing Rule 5635(c)(4).

#### **About Cytokinetics**

Cytokinetics is a late-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on discovering, developing and commercializing first-in-class muscle activators and next-in-class muscle inhibitors as potential treatments for debilitating diseases in which muscle performance is compromised. As a leader in muscle biology and the mechanics of muscle performance, the company is developing small molecule drug candidates specifically engineered to impact muscle function and contractility. Cytokinetics is readying for the potential commercialization of *omecamtiv mecarbil*, its cardiac muscle activator, following positive results from GALACTIC-HF, a large, international Phase 3 clinical trial in patients with heart failure. Cytokinetics is also developing *aficamten*, a next-generation cardiac myosin inhibitor, currently the subject of SEQUOIA-HCM, the Phase 3 clinical trial of *aficamten* in patients with symptomatic obstructive hypertrophic cardiomyopathy (HCM). Cytokinetics is also developing *reldesemtiv*, an investigational fast skeletal muscle troponin activator, currently the subject of COURAGE-ALS, a Phase 3 clinical trial in patients with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS). Cytokinetics continues its over 20-year history of pioneering innovation in muscle biology and related pharmacology focused to diseases of muscle dysfunction and conditions of muscle weakness.

For additional information about Cytokinetics, visit www.cytokinetics.com and follow us on Twitter, LinkedIn, Facebook and YouTube.

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

This press release contains forward-looking statements for purposes of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 (the "Act"). Cytokinetics disclaims any intent or obligation to update these forward-looking statements and claims the protection of the Act's Safe Harbor for forward-looking statements. Examples of such statements include, but are not limited to, statements relating to Cytokinetics' and its partners' research and development activities of Cytokinetics' product candidates. Such statements are based on management's current expectations, but actual results may differ materially due to various risks and uncertainties, including, but not limited to the risks related to Cytokinetics' business outlined in Cytokinetics' filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission particularly under the caption "Risk Factors" in Cytokinetics' latest Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance, and Cytokinetics' actual results of operations, financial condition and liquidity, and the development of the industry in which it operates, may differ materially from the forward-looking statements contained in this press release. Any forward-looking statements that Cytokinetics makes in this press release speak only as of the date of this press release. Cytokinetics assumes no obligation to update its forward-looking statements whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, after the date of this press release.

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