



CRISPR Therapeutics Provides Business Update and Reports Second Quarter 2026 Financial Results

ZUG, Switzerland and BOSTON, Aug. 03, 2026 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- CRISPR Therapeutics (Nasdaq: CRSP) today reported financial results for the second quarter ended June 30, 2026.

"The second quarter reflected strong execution across CRISPR Therapeutics' portfolio and platform," said Samarth Kulkarni, Ph.D., Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of CRISPR Therapeutics. "CASGEVY's momentum continued to build, highlighted by the FDA's approval for children as young as 2 years old, while we expanded our *in vivo* pipeline with the initiation of Phase 1 clinical trials for CTX340 for refractory hypertension and CTX460 for alpha-1 antitrypsin deficiency. We enter the second half of 2026 well positioned, with a number of important milestones ahead across our pipeline."

Recent Highlights and Outlook

Hemoglobinopathies and CASGEVY® (exagamglogene autotemcel)

CASGEVY is a non-viral, *ex vivo*, CRISPR/Cas9 gene-edited cell therapy for eligible patients with SCD or TDT that has been shown to reduce or eliminate vaso-occlusive crises (VOCs) for patients with SCD and transfusion requirements for patients with TDT. CASGEVY is approved in 39 countries across North America, Europe, and the Middle East.

- CASGEVY generated second quarter 2026 revenue of \$76 million, representing 78% growth quarter-over-quarter and 151% growth year-over-year.
- The U.S. FDA recently approved CASGEVY in children 2 years of age and older with SCD or TDT, the first genetic therapy indicated for children as young as 2 years for both SCD and TDT. With this approval, achieved in just 53 days post filing, approximately 5,500 patients with SCD or TDT may be eligible for treatment with CASGEVY for the first time. Regulatory submissions have also been completed for CASGEVY in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (KSA) and the United Kingdom (U.K.) for the treatment of children 5 to 11 years of age.
- In May, Vertex secured reimbursement for CASGEVY for eligible patients 12 years and older with SCD or TDT in Germany. Efforts remain underway with government and reimbursement authorities globally to ensure sustainable access for eligible patients.
- CRISPR Therapeutics continues to advance its *in vivo* hematopoietic stem cell editing approach using lipid nanoparticle (LNP)-mediated delivery. This approach has the potential to expand the addressable patient populations for SCD and TDT.

In Vivo Liver Editing

CRISPR Therapeutics continues to advance a diversified portfolio of *in vivo* gene editing programs leveraging its proprietary liver-directed LNP delivery platform.

- Development of CTX310®, an investigational therapy targeting angiopoietin-related protein 3 (ANGPTL3), continues in a Phase 1b clinical trial, with the Company prioritizing indications in severe hypertriglyceridemia (sHTG) and refractory hypercholesterolemia. U.S. trials have been initiated, with ex-U.S. trials ongoing.
- CRISPR Therapeutics announced that a late-breaking abstract entitled "*Durability of Effects of CTX310, a CRISPR-Cas9 Gene Editing Targeting ANGPTL3*" has been accepted for presentation at the European Society of Cardiology (ESC) Congress 2026 in Munich, Germany, on August 28 at 4:30 p.m. CET to discuss a clinical update of the ongoing Phase 1a trial. The Company also expects to provide a Phase 1b clinical update in the second half of 2026.
- CTX340™, targeting angiotensinogen (AGT), has received IND clearance from the FDA. The Company has initiated a Phase 1 clinical trial for patients with refractory hypertension.
- CTX460™, targeting SERPINA1 for the treatment of alpha-1 antitrypsin deficiency (AATD), is the first investigational candidate generated from the Company's SyNTase™ editing platform. The Company has initiated a Phase 1 clinical trial for CTX460.

- CRISPR Therapeutics' pipeline of preclinical *in vivo* gene editing candidates includes CTX321™, the Company's next-generation LPA program, which is progressing through IND/CTA-enabling studies. The candidate incorporates an optimized guide RNA that delivered approximately two-fold greater potency in preclinical models, paired with the same LNP delivery system used previously. An Lp(a) program update is anticipated in 2026.

siRNA-based Programs

CRISPR Therapeutics' small interfering RNA (siRNA)-based portfolio includes clinical-stage programs targeting cardiovascular and thromboembolic diseases, developed in collaboration with Sirius Therapeutics.

- CTX611 (SRSD107), a long-acting siRNA therapeutic targeting Factor XI (FXI), is advancing through a Phase 2 clinical trial in patients undergoing total knee arthroplasty (TKA). The Company expects to provide an update in the second half of 2026.
- CTX611 has the potential to address a broad range of thromboembolic and clotting-related indications, including atrial fibrillation (AF), venous thromboembolism (VTE), ischemic stroke, cancer-associated thrombosis (CAT), thrombosis in chronic kidney disease (CKD), peripheral vascular disease (PVD), and chronic coronary artery disease (CAD), collectively representing a multi-billion-dollar market opportunity. CRISPR Therapeutics is expected to lead global Phase 3 development, with Sirius Therapeutics overseeing development activities in greater China.
- CRISPR Therapeutics has the option to nominate up to two additional siRNA targets for research and development. An update is expected in 2026.

Autoimmune Disease and Immuno-Oncology

Zugocabtagene geleucel (zugo-cel; formerly CTX112™) continues to advance across both autoimmune disease and hematologic malignancies.

- In autoimmune disease, zugo-cel is currently being evaluated in two ongoing Phase 1 basket trials: a rheumatology basket including systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE), systemic sclerosis (SSc), and inflammatory myositis (IM); and a hematology basket in immune thrombocytopenic purpura (ITP) and warm autoimmune hemolytic anemia (wAIHA).
- In addition, a third Phase 1 trial has been initiated in autoimmune neurologic diseases. The trial, includes progressive multiple sclerosis (PMS), neuromyelitis optica spectrum disorder (NMOSD), myelin oligodendrocyte glycoprotein antibody-associated Disease (MOGAD), N-methyl-D-aspartate receptor (NMDAR) and leucine-rich glioma-inactivated Protein 1 (LG11) autoimmune encephalitis (AIE), and stiff person syndrome (SPS).
- Enrollment across the zugo-cel autoimmune clinical program continues in SSc, IIM, SLE, ITP and wAIHA with multiple clinical sites activated globally. The Company expects to provide further updates in the second half of 2026.
- In immuno-oncology, the Phase 1/2 clinical trial of zugo-cel in B-cell malignancies is ongoing, with updates anticipated in the second half of 2026. The Company has also initiated a combination study evaluating zugo-cel with pirtobrutinib in aggressive B-cell lymphomas, under the Company's existing collaboration with Lilly.
- The Company's autoimmune and immuno-oncology programs are supported by a wholly-owned GMP manufacturing facility in Framingham, Massachusetts. The facility provides end-to-end production capabilities across the cell therapy portfolio, supports both clinical and future commercial supply and enables an industry-leading cost of goods.

CRISPR Therapeutics is also advancing a proprietary *in vivo* CAR-T platform with potential applications across autoimmune disease and oncology.

- The Company is pursuing two complementary modalities, supported by an antibody-conjugated LNP delivery system that enables targeted delivery to immune cells: a transient, re-dosable CAR-T leveraging engineered mRNA, and a non-viral, integrating CAR-T employing next-generation site-specific integration technologies.
- Both programs are currently in the IND/CTA-enabling phase, focused on a best-in-class profile.

Regenerative Medicine

- CRISPR Therapeutics continues to advance its regenerative medicine program in diabetes. The Company is developing

CTX213™, a deviceless beta cell replacement candidate for Type 1 diabetes, consisting of unencapsulated precursor islet cells derived from edited induced pluripotent stem cells (iPSCs). CTX213 has demonstrated compelling preclinical efficacy through direct administration and is progressing toward the clinic. The Company expects to provide additional updates as development progresses.

Second Quarter 2026 Financial Results

- **Cash Position:** Cash, cash equivalents, and marketable securities were \$2,364.4 million as of June 30, 2026, compared to \$1,975.8 million as of December 31, 2025. The increase in cash was primarily driven by net proceeds of \$585.4 million from the issuance of convertible senior notes in March 2026, offset by operating expenses.
- **R&D Expenses:** R&D expenses were \$67.2 million for the second quarter of 2026, compared to \$69.9 million for the second quarter of 2025. The decrease in R&D expense was primarily attributable to a decrease in employee-related costs and facility-related expenses, offset by an increase in license fees.
- **Acquired In-Process R&D Expenses:** Acquired in-process R&D expenses were \$2.5 million for the second quarter of 2026, compared to \$96.3 million for the second quarter of 2025. Acquired in-process R&D expenses for the second quarter of 2026 were not material. Acquired in-process R&D expenses for the second quarter of 2025 were related to costs incurred upon entering the Sirius Agreement in 2025.
- **G&A Expenses:** General and administrative expenses were \$17.6 million for the second quarter of 2026, compared to \$18.9 million for the second quarter of 2025. The decrease in G&A expense was primarily attributable to a decrease in employee-related costs, including stock-based compensation expenses.
- **Collaboration Expense:** Collaboration expense, net, was \$40.3 million for the second quarter of 2026, compared to \$45.2 million for the second quarter of 2025. The decrease was primarily attributable to an increase in the Company's share of CASGEVY revenue.
- **Net Loss:** Net loss was \$91.2 million for the second quarter of 2026, compared to a net loss of \$208.5 million for the second quarter of 2025.

About CASGEVY® (exagamglogene autotemcel [exa-cel])

CASGEVY® is a non-viral, *ex vivo* CRISPR/Cas9 gene-edited cell therapy for eligible patients with sickle cell disease (SCD) or transfusion-dependent beta thalassemia (TDT), in which a patient's own hematopoietic stem and progenitor cells are edited at the erythroid specific enhancer region of the BCL11A gene. This edit results in the production of high levels of fetal hemoglobin (HbF; hemoglobin F) in red blood cells. HbF is the form of the oxygen-carrying hemoglobin that is naturally present during fetal development, which then switches to the adult form of hemoglobin after birth. CASGEVY has been shown to reduce or eliminate VOCs for patients with SCD and transfusion requirements for patients with TDT. CASGEVY is approved for eligible SCD and TDT patients 12 years and older by multiple regulatory bodies around the world.

About the CRISPR Therapeutics – Vertex Collaboration for CASGEVY

CRISPR Therapeutics and Vertex established a strategic research collaboration in 2015 to discover and develop therapies leveraging CRISPR/Cas9 technology to address the underlying genetic causes of human disease. CASGEVY is the first approved therapy to emerge from this collaboration. Under an amended agreement, Vertex leads global development, manufacturing, and commercialization of CASGEVY, and Vertex and CRISPR Therapeutics share profits and program costs on a 60/40 basis. Vertex is the manufacturer and exclusive license holder of CASGEVY.

About *In Vivo* Liver Editing Programs

CRISPR Therapeutics has established a proprietary lipid nanoparticle (LNP) delivery platform to enable gene editing in the liver using both CRISPR/Cas9 and its novel, proprietary SyNTase™ editing technology. The Company's *in vivo* portfolio includes three cardiovascular programs: CTX310, targeting angiotensin-related protein 3 (ANGPTL3), in development for heterozygous and homozygous familial hypercholesterolemia, mixed dyslipidemias, and severe hypertriglyceridemia; CTX340, targeting angiotensinogen (AGT), in development for refractory hypertension; and CTX321, targeting LPA, in development for patients with elevated lipoprotein(a) [Lp(a)]. In addition, the Company's disclosed development candidates also include CTX460™, targeting SERPINA1 using SyNTase editing, for the treatment of alpha-1 antitrypsin deficiency (AATD).

About Zugocabtagene Geleucel (zugo-cel; formerly CTX112)

Zugocabtagene geleucel (zugo-cel) is a wholly-owned, allogeneic chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) T cell therapy product candidate targeting Cluster of Differentiation 19 (CD19), in development for both autoimmune and immuno-oncology indications. The off-the-shelf therapy leverages CRISPR/Cas9 for targeted gene knockout and CAR insertion, enabling immune evasion and enhanced T effector cell potency, and is administered following a standard lymphodepletion regimen without the need for human leukocyte antigen (HLA) matching. Zugo-cel is being investigated in ongoing clinical trials in adult patients with systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE), systemic sclerosis (SSc), inflammatory myositis (IM), immune thrombocytopenic purpura (ITP), warm autoimmune hemolytic anemia (wAIHA), progressive multiple sclerosis (PMS), neuromyelitis optica spectrum disorder (NMOSD), myelin oligodendrocyte glycoprotein antibody-associated Disease (MOGAD), N-methyl-D-aspartate receptor (NMDAR) and leucine-rich glioma-inactivated Protein 1 (LGI1) autoimmune encephalitis (AIE), and stiff person syndrome (SPS), as well as in adult patients with relapsed or refractory B-cell malignancies.

About CTX611 (SRSD107)

CTX611 is a novel double-stranded, long-acting siRNA, designed to target the human coagulation factor XI, or FXI, messenger RNA and inhibit FXI protein expression. Through modulation of the intrinsic coagulation pathway, CTX611 is intended to provide anticoagulant and antithrombotic effects with a decreased risk of bleeding compared to other anti-thrombotics. Supported by clinical experience conducted by Sirius Therapeutics in two Phase 1 clinical trials, the Company and Sirius Therapeutics are developing CTX611 as a long-acting FXI inhibitor with the potential to support infrequent, including semi-annual, subcutaneous administration.

About the CRISPR Therapeutics – Sirius Therapeutics Collaboration for siRNA

CRISPR Therapeutics and Sirius Therapeutics entered into a strategic collaboration in 2025 to develop and commercialize siRNA therapies for thromboembolic disorders and other serious diseases. The lead program, CTX611, is a long-acting siRNA targeting FXI, which the companies will co-develop on an equal cost-and-profit-sharing basis. CRISPR Therapeutics will lead commercialization in the U.S., while Sirius will lead commercialization in greater China. The collaboration also provides CRISPR Therapeutics with the option to license up to two additional siRNA programs.

About CRISPR Therapeutics

CRISPR Therapeutics is a leading biopharmaceutical company focused on developing transformative gene-based medicines for serious human diseases. Founded over a decade ago as an early pioneer in CRISPR/Cas9 gene editing, the Company has evolved from a pioneering research-stage organization into an industry leader, marking a historic milestone with the approval of CASGEVY® (exagamglogene autotemcel [exa-cel]), the world's first CRISPR-based therapy, for eligible patients with sickle cell disease and transfusion-dependent beta thalassemia. Today, CRISPR Therapeutics is advancing a broad, diversified pipeline spanning hemoglobinopathies, cardiovascular disease, autoimmune disease, oncology, regenerative medicine and rare diseases. The Company is also expanding its gene editing toolkit through SyNTase™ editing, its novel, proprietary platform designed to enable precise, efficient, and scalable gene correction. To accelerate its impact, CRISPR Therapeutics has established strategic collaborations with leading biopharmaceutical partners, including Vertex Pharmaceuticals. CRISPR Therapeutics AG is headquartered in Zug, Switzerland, with its wholly-owned U.S. subsidiary, CRISPR Therapeutics, Inc., and R&D operations based in Boston, Massachusetts and San Francisco, California. To learn more, visit www.crisprtx.com.

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CRISPR Therapeutics AG
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations
(Unaudited, In thousands except share data and per share data)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2026	2025	2026	2025
Revenue:				
Collaboration revenue	\$ 10,000	\$ —	\$ 11,000	\$ —
Grant revenue	181	892	639	1,757
Total revenue	10,181	892	11,639	1,757
Operating expenses:				
Research and development	67,152	69,894	135,726	142,378
Acquired in-process research and development	2,473	96,253	2,473	96,253
General and administrative	17,553	18,916	34,736	38,212
Collaboration expense, net	40,272	45,153	86,221	102,662
Total operating expenses	127,450	230,216	259,156	379,505
Loss from operations	(117,269)	(229,324)	(247,517)	(377,748)
Total other income, net	27,075	22,067	35,231	35,604
Net loss before income taxes	(90,194)	(207,257)	(212,286)	(342,144)
Provision for income taxes	(960)	(1,292)	(1,799)	(2,401)
Net loss	(91,154)	(208,549)	(214,085)	(344,545)
Foreign currency translation adjustment	6	80	(26)	121
Unrealized (loss) gain on marketable securities	(2,694)	(174)	(9,424)	2,080
Comprehensive loss	\$ (93,842)	\$ (208,643)	\$ (223,535)	\$ (342,344)
Net loss per common share — basic	\$ (0.94)	\$ (2.40)	\$ (2.22)	\$ (3.98)
Basic weighted-average common shares outstanding	96,514,102	87,069,690	96,283,944	86,507,330
Net loss per common share — diluted	\$ (0.94)	\$ (2.40)	\$ (2.22)	\$ (3.98)
Diluted weighted-average common shares outstanding	96,514,102	87,069,690	96,283,944	86,507,330

CRISPR Therapeutics AG
Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets Data
(Unaudited, in thousands)

	As of	
	June 30, 2026	December 31, 2025
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 291,337	\$ 347,559
Marketable securities	2,073,015	1,628,269
Working capital	2,238,874	1,836,551
Total assets	2,650,770	2,265,243
Total shareholders' equity	1,746,551	1,921,813



Source: CRISPR Therapeutics AG